

Remark on Board Ship *Niger* James Gray

September 1844

Monday the 2nd -

Commences with light winds & pleasant weather steering
S W middle part the same lat part winds do
at 5 P.M. saw whales lowered the boats & gave
chase so ends these 24 hours

Tuesday the 3rd -

Commences with light winds & pleasant weather
still in chase at 11 P.M. came on board got
dinner at 4 lowered again at 6 the starboard
got fast with one iron whale sawed came up &
kicked the iron out & off he went with Broo
the boat came on board after 11 hours of hard labor
for 4 or 5 pairs mid part light winds lat part
do at 10 P.M. saw whales lowered the boats &
gave chase so ends these 24 hours

25th

Wednesday the 4th -

These 24 commence with light winds & pleasant
weather at meridian still in chase & the starboard
boat struck the West boat went up & fastened
& got stove of the Bow boat picked up the crew
& carried them to the ship at 4 took the whale along
side middle part light winds lat part at 6 P.M.
called all hands & commenced cutting in the whale
at meridian finished & made sail heading to the
S. E. so ends

Thursday the 5th -

commences with light winds from the N.W. &
all hands employed at boiling lat part
the same

Lat 31-50 N
Long 24-20 W

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Friday the 6th -

Commences with light winds employed at boiling mid
part the same lat do so ends these 24 hours Lat 32-50

Saturday the 7th -

Commences with light winds from the Westward steering
N.W. W employed at cooping & other jobs a sail
in sight heading to the E mid part equally lat part
employed at setting up a scuttle but between decks
so ends these 24 hours Lat 34-13 Long 26-24 W

Sunday the 8th -

Commences with light winds from the Westward employed
at ships duty mid part calm lat part do employed
as above Lat 34-41 N Long 27-13 W

Monday the 9th -

Commences with calm & hot weather Mid part
the same lat part light wind employed at
ships duty so ends this day Lat

Tuesday the 10th -

Commences with light winds & calm Employed
at ships duty mid part calm lat the same
employed at ships duty & cooping so ends these 24 hours

Wednesday the 11th -

Commences with light winds & cloudy weather
Employed as above mid part strong breeze &
equally lat part strong breezes & pleasant weather
Lat 36-33 N
Long 27-38 W