

Ship File of Star Beaford in the

1856.

Monday January 11th

First part brisk wind from N. N. W. and clear pleasant weather. Course S. E. by East with all sail set to the best advantage.

Middle part much the same brisk wind from N. N. W. to N. W. Course S. E. by East.

Latter part brisk wind from N. W. and thick hazy weather. Course E. S. E. with all sails set to the best advantage. Watch employed in repairing our sails, so was all well.

Lat obs. 48° 49' South

Long by O. S. at 8 A.M. 101° 26' 15" East

by O. S. at 8 A.M. 101° 20' 00" East

Difference 6' 15"

Tuesday Jan 12th

First part brisk wind from N. N. W. and thick overcast weather. Course E. S. E. with all sail set to the best advantage. At 2 P.M. shifted our fore sail employed in repairing our sails. At 5 P.M. the wind shifted sudden in a squall hauled in all studding sails. at 8 do the weather became more pleasant. set studding sails.

Middle part strong wind from N. S. W. and clear pleasant weather. Course E. S. E.

Latter part brisk wind from N. S. W. and thin flying clouds. Course E. S. E. with all sail set to the best advantage. Watch employed in repairing our sails. so was all well. Nothing remarkable.

Lat. 42° 19' South.

Long by O. S. at 2 P.M. 106° 14' E.

Indian Ocean on a Whaling Voyage -

1856.

Wednesday Jan 13th

First part brisk wind from N. S. W. and thin flying clouds. Course E. S. E. with all sails set to the best advantage. at 1 P.M. saw Right Whales. took in all studding sails. and cleared away our boats at 2 do. put off with 5 boats. struck and killed a one. got on our boat very badly stove. put off with the 4th boat to assist. at 4 do. took in our stove boat along side and got her in at 6 do. took our whale to the ship and took in all sail.

Middle part strong wind from N. S. W. and thick overcast weather. lay by our whale.

Latter part strong gales from N. S. W. and thick cloudy weather. and a very bad sea. At 5 A.M. hooked a one whale. and began to cut at 9 do. finished last the head and tongue. so was strong gales.

Lat. obs. 42° 26' S.

Long by O. S. 105° 17' 00" East.

Thursday Jan 14th

First part strong gales from N. S. W. and thick cloudy heavy looking weather. and a very bad swell from the S. W. At 1 P.M. took in our bough and waist boats. and stowed them over board. turned up the quarter boats. and made all snug for a hard gale. At 2 do. finding the weather so very bad. and could not boil on our whale. Stewed off our course E. S. E. under close reefed main top sail. and fore sail. watch employed cutting up our whale into horse pieces.

Middle part much the same strong gales from N. to N. S. W. and thick overcast weather. Course E. S. E. ship labouring hard under close reefed main top sail and fore sail. watch employed in putting our whale into horse pieces. Latter part much the same strong gales from N. to N. S. W. and thick cloudy overcast weather. Course E. S. E. At 5 A.M. began to boil on our whale. so was. ship labouring hard. under close reefed main top sail & fore sail. stowed from 6. to 8 E. to give our lay

Lat obs. 42° 47' S. under a squall. Long by O. S. 110° 21' 00" East.