

Journal of a whaling voyage on board the good

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Saturday Apr 3rd 1852.

Commenced with fresh breezes from N. Steering S. at 1¹/₂ P.M. double reefed the fore topsail. At sunset took in sail and luffed to the wind. Middlepart moderate. Scatterpart light breezes Steering N.W. by W. Do ends. Home Sides. Lat 42. 35. N. Long. 87. 11 W.

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Sunday Apr 4th.

Commenced with thick weather and light breezes from N.E. Steering N.W. by W. at 3 P.M. luffed to with the wind to the S. after tea Mr. Peakes shot some sea fowl for bait to catch for eaters on the banks. At sunset took in sail. Middlepart moderate. Had a dance. Scatterpart fresh breezes from N. heading E.N.E. with thick weather. At 9 A.M. double reefed the fore and main topsails. Furlled the jib. hauled up the spanker and wore ship to the N.W. Do ends. Home Sides. Lat 42. 06. N. Long 86. 45. W.

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Monday Apr 5th.

Commenced with fresh breezes from N. heading W. At sunset took in sail and rounded but found no bottom. Middlepart light breezes. Scatterpart the same. plenty of fin backs in sight. Do ends. Home Sides. Lat 42. 11. N.

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Tuesday Apr 6th.

Commenced with light breezes from N.E. heading N.W. at 1 P.M. rounded in 23 fathoms of water. After supper covered the starboard boat and went fishing caught a few dog fish. At sunset took in sail. Middlepart fresh breezes. Scatterpart the same. At 9 A.M. took in sail and sent half the watch below very thick. At 11 A.M. cleared away, made sail and wore ship to the westward. Do ends. Home Sides. Lat 42. 35. N.

Bark Atlantic.

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Wednesday Apr 7th 1852.

Commenced with fresh breezes from N. Steering N.W. by W. At sunset took in sail and wore ship to the E.N.E. Middlepart fresh breezes with thunder and lightning and some rain. Furlled the main topsail. Scatterpart light breezes Steering E.N.E. at 10 A.M. luffed to the wind and rounded no bottom. Do ends. Home Sides.

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Thursday Apr 8th.

Commenced with light breezes from N.W. heading N.E. Had clam chowder for supper. At sunset took in sail. Middlepart moderate. At 4¹/₂ P.M. wore ship to the N.W. Scatterpart light breezes heading W. at 9 A.M. saw a right whale going to windward. Hoveest the boats but did not get him. He returned on board at 11 A.M. thinking we should have better luck next time. Do ends. Lat 42. 06. Long 85. 00 W. Home Sides.

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Friday Apr 9th.

Commenced with fresh breezes from N.W. heading W. At 3 P.M. saw two right whales of the lee bed. Covered the boats and returned on board at 4 P.M. without getting fast. Thought we had rather a better sight of them than the one in the morning. Middlepart calm and thick. Employed in fishing caught 26 fish eaters during the night. Scatterpart light breezes heading E. Employed in starting water. Saw porpoises at meridian wore ship to the southward and westward. Do ends this day. Lat 42. 14 N.