

Journal of a whaling voyage on board the good

478. Thursday March 31st 1850.

Commenced with smoky weather and fresh breezes from N.B.W. heading N.E. Employed in stirring down oil at 1¹/₂ P.M. finished and washed off at 2. took a fresh swell of wind took in sail at 2 1/2. shook the tops out of the fore sail and at the jib. Middlepart squally and raining with thunder and lightning took in M.C. and fore sail, Latterpart rainy and moderate. at 9 A.M. cleared away 3 sails in sight. Home Side, Lat 35.24 N. Long 53.27 W.

Friday Apr 1st 1850.

Commenced with cloudy weather and light breezes from E.S.E. heading N. at sunset took in sail and wore ship. Middlepart fine weather. Latterpart the same heading S.E. at 9 1/2 A.M. wore ship to N.W. at 11 1/2 lowered the Starboard boat for a sword fish did not catch him. Home Side, Lat 35.22 N. Long 51.40 W. Long Chr 52.57 W.

Saturday Apr 2nd

Commenced with fine weather and light breezes from S heading N.W. at 2 P.M. lowered the S. boat for killed caught none. at sunset took in sail. Middlepart calm. Latterpart fine weather. Employed in muddelsticking the spanker. Home Side, Lat 35.44 N. Long 52.07 W.

Sunday Apr 3rd

Commenced with fresh breezes heading N.W. at 2 P.M. wore ship to E.S. at 4 luffed to the wind. at sunset took in sail. Middlepart cloudy. Latterpart fresh breezes heading N.W. at 8 A.M. wore W.C.E. Home Side, Lat 35.41 N. Long by Sun Obs 52.35 W. by Chr 52.34 W.

Monday Apr 4th

Commenced with fresh breezes and a heavy swell at sunset took in sail. Middlepart squally and cloudy. Latterpart the same and rainy. Lat. N. Obs. Long 51.07 W.

Home Side

Bark Atlantic.

479. Tuesday Apr 5th 1850.

Commenced with cloudy weather and fresh breezes heading variable. at double reefed topsails and courses at sunset took in sail. Middlepart fine weather. Latterpart the same and light breezes from N.W. heading N.W. at 5 P.M. wore fore back. Home Side, Lat 35.17 N. Long 52.31 W.

Wednesday Apr 6th

Commenced with fine weather and breezes from N.W. steering N.E. at 4 P.M. creased the yards on the Starboard tack at sunset took in sail and hauled the main yard aback. Middlepart moderate. Latterpart fine weather heading South. Employed in repairing the fore sail. Lat 35.13 N. Long 51.46 W.

Thursday Apr 7th

Commenced with fine weather and light breezes from N.W. and N heading E. and E.S.E. saw a big Herring 7 1/2 P.M. Employed in repairing the fore sail. at 6 P.M. finished, Lat 35. and took in sail. Middlepart fresh breezes at midnight wore ship to N.W. and hauled the main yard aback. Latterpart strong breezes steering N.W. at 9 1/2 spoke the E.C. gun. at 9 1/2 luffed to the wind heading E. at jib and spanker. Home Side, Lat 36.08 N.

Friday Apr 8th

Commenced with rainy, cloudy weather and strong breezes from N.W. heading E at 2 P.M. took in fore sail and spanker and wore ship at 4 1/2 fresh gales took in the topsail and fore sail and wore ship. Middlepart more moderate. Latterpart fine breezes course variable. The E.C. in sight. Lat 36.10 N. Long 51.45 W. Home Side

Saturday Apr 9th

Commenced with smoky weather and fine breezes from S. steering from N.E. to N.W. at sunset took in sail. Middlepart calm. Latterpart the same. The E.C. in sight. Lat 36.15 N. Long 51.33 W. Home Side