

Wednesday August 12<sup>th</sup> 1868

Came in with fresh breezes from the S.W. and clear weather. Ship by the wind heading W. N.W. with all sail out. Saw three or four sail through the day - a great change observable in the temperature of air and water. There is no doubt to our proximity to the Grand Banks of Newfoundland, as we judge our selves to be on or near the most extreme south eastern limit. At 4 P.M. comes in foggy - have seen several schools of Grampuses today at 6 P.M. wind hauling more to the S. but still thick fog.

Lat 43.16  
Long 48.00

Thursday Aug 13<sup>th</sup>

Came in with fresh breezes from S and thick foggy weather. Ship by the wind heading W. N.W. compass. Saw Grampuses, fishbacks and Sulphur Bottoms - also one sail steering to the E. Experienced strong tide rips and a heavy ground swell from S.W. - weather at night looking very threatening but wind still from S.W. There being two points westerly variation bringing the wind about South true course - by all observations found we are on the edge of the Grand Banks of Newfoundland - land.

Lat. 43.02 Long 49.40

Friday Aug 14<sup>th</sup> 1868

Came in with a fresh breeze from South true, but S.W. per compass. Ship by the wind on different tacks - as the wind would haffle or haul us point or two we would wear ship. Wind dead ahead for our whaling ground. Saw plenty of Sulphur Bottoms today. Sometimes there would be a dozen in sight at one time. Have had considerable rain through the day. No sail in sight and no Obs.

Saturday Aug 15<sup>th</sup>

Came in with moderate winds from the S.W. and calm. Ship steering S per compass with all sail out. One sail - one Peaberg and plenty of Grampuses in sight in the forenoon. Landed and chased with all the boats all the forenoon in the afternoon nothing in sight.

Lat. at Merc 49.18  
Long by Chron 49.39