

Saw 10 Sperm Whales

Wednesday Oct. 28th 1868

Came in with a strong breeze from the N and thick cloudy weather. Ship by the wind to the N and W. under easy sail. at 10 A.M. saw a sperm whale being thick rough weather did not lower. at 11 AM riding all the P.M. thick and raining ship by the wind to the NW. found a strong set to the E. S. E. of about 40 miles. at 4 P.M. got an obs. of the sun and at 9 got an merid. alt. of the moon. gave giving the Lat. 41.10 Long 46.10

Thursday Oct. 29th

Came in with moderate breezes from N.E. and quite clear weather. Ship by the wind to the NW. with all sail out at 9 raised sperm whales. lowered and chased with all ^{three} boats without success. at 3 boats all on board nearly calm all day. at 4 took a light breeze from the S. saw porpoises. steering N. N.W.

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Thursday Oct. 30th 1868

Came in with strong gales from the N and squally weather. Ship by the wind to the NW. under easy sail. at 1 P.M. saw sperm whales. going slow to the N lowered and chased with all three boats. got a small one to each of the S. and W. boats. and cut them in. the school was composed of cows calves and bulls. Lat by local, 41.10 N Long by do, 46.30 W

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Saturday Oct. 31st

Came in with strong gales from the N and squally weather. Ship by the wind to the E. at 7 started the works. at 12 saw sperm whales. going quite moderate to the NW. large school of cows calves and bulls. blowing heavy and coarse weather did not lower. kept in sight of them nearly all the P.M. in hopes that it might moderate so we could lower. at 5 gave them up and wore ship to the E. hoping that we may have a more favorable day on the morrow. Lat at merid. 41.11 Long by chron. 47.10

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