

Barge Octavia Cruising for White Whales in 35.00 63.00

Monday  
November 5  
These 24 hours strong gale from the NNE course 2 1/2 W at 9 am more from the S at 12 o'clock at 12 o'clock all hands took in 4 topsails split on taking it in took in 4 main masts & sail thick heavy weather & a plenty of rain at 4 pm set in 4 sail. Lost reef piece of port later present over head and streamers over sea in 20 end this day with lost reef main topsail in Spencer. Lat 34.47 E Long 63.22 E

Tuesday  
November 6  
These 24 hours fine breeze from the NNE course 2 1/2 W at 6 pm bent knee 4 1/2 sail at 8 am saw White Whale heard of 2 more & 2 more of lat heard at 2 1/2 m saw 3 more whale going quick to the NW so end this day with fine weather took in sail for the night Lat 34.11 E Long 63.25 E

Wednesday  
November 7  
These 24 hours fresh breeze from the NNE course 2 1/2 W at 11 am saw whale heard of 2 more one of lat took the line to end this day in lat 34.12 E Long 63.59 E with present weather

Thursday  
November 8  
These 24 hours fresh breeze from the NNE course 2 1/2 W with thick & rainy weather this day subsided & sail of 4 topsails better than nothing but lost reef in 7 sail 2 air sail in Spencer & sail to end this day with thick weather saw sail off from weather beam

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Friday  
November 9  
These 24 hours strong gale of heavy squalls from the S W course 2 1/2 W at 9 am took in 4 topsails of 4 say too under lost reef main topsail & piece of 4 topsails all the rest of the day with strong gales & heavy squalls from the S W Lat 34.42 E Long 64.19 E

Saturday  
November 10  
These 24 hours fine breeze of fresh weather NNE course 2 1/2 W at 11 am took in 4 1/2 sail to end this day with lost reef topsail & thick weather Lat 34.22 E Long 64.03 E

Sunday  
November 11  
These 24 hours fine breeze from the NNE course 2 1/2 W with all sail on the ship at 11 am a sail of 4 say weather how far whale heard but got none to end this day at sunset took in sail for the night fine weather this day Lat 34.15 E Long 63.52 E

Monday  
November 12  
These 24 hours fresh breeze from the NNE course 2 1/2 W with all sail on the ship saw plenty of whale heard but got none saw to sail one off to see the other of to the weather to end this day Lat 34.48 E Long 64.04 E

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