

Western Ground

Remarks on board Tuesday January 17th 1832.
First & middle part light airs and variable.
Latter part moderate breezes from S.E. steering
clear hall to the S.W. Latitude by Obs. 28° Long

Wednesday January 18th

First part light breezes with fair weather. Middle
a part calm. Latter part light airs from the
Southward: Hoisted out the pumps and cleaned
out the wellroom. Latitude by Obs. 28° Long

Thursday January 19th

First part light airs and calms. tried the
currents, found it running N.W. 2 miles per hour.
Middle part moderate breezes from S.E.
Latter part fine breezes, with fair weather, but
no appearance of Whales. Lat 28° 06' Long

Friday January 20th

All these 24 hours we have had quite a fine little
breezes, varying from S.E. to S.W. with pleasant we-
ather. we all our whale lines and spread them
to dry to prevent them from spoiling, for I saw no
prospect of getting them wet by Whales.
Latitude by Obs. 1.23. North. Long 58° 40'

Saturday January 21st

First and middle part moderate breezes with pl-
asant. Latter part light airs with very smoky
weather, so much so, that it would be difficult to
see a whale spout two miles from the Ship.
Latitude by Obs 34 miles North. Long

Sunday January 22nd

Commenced with light breezes from S.E. weather
still very thick. At 2 p.m. crossed a very strong
tide ripple, see two finbacks in it, and a great
many birds. At 4 p.m. saw 3 sperm Whales
close to the Ship, lowered the boats and got two
At sundown, I judged the Ship to be 3 miles from
me, but could not see her, the weather was so
thick. I sent the mate to find the Ship, and at
8 he found her, at this time I had washed the whale
and left her, to find the Ship, and soon saw her
light. I then returned and found the whale again
in. At 10 p.m. got her along side, took the first alarm
7 miles at sundown. At 11 p.m. in a thick fog
latter part calm with thick weather, cut in the wh-
ale and began to boil. Lat 40 miles S. Long

Remarks on board Monday January 23rd

Still light airs with very thick weather, and a strong
current setting to the N.W. Latter part 8 p.m.
saw a Ship close to us, they saw our lights and
luffed too by the wind, at day light they sent their
boat on board of us, it proved to be the Chelona
of New Bedford, Capt Davis, 7 months out with 180
lbs. Longitude by his Chronometer 108.54. W. Ends by
light airs with thick weather Latitude 42 miles North

Tuesday January 24th

Weather still very thick, with light airs from
S.E. At 4 p.m. Capt Davis came on board and
took tea. At 5 finished sailing. Middle and
Latter part weather the same. Lat 38° N. Long 109

Wednesday January 25th

First part moderate breezes, still thick weather.
Middle part fine breezes from S.E. and E.S.E. steer-
ing South. Latter part moderate, with hazy weat-
her. Longitude by 109.23 West Latitude 2 miles North

Thursday January 26th

All these 24 hours light breezes with thick weat-
her, steering to the South (or rather heading to
the South,) for we gain but very little, the cur-
rent being nearly as strong as the wind. At 4 p.m.
saw a Ship a stern, the weather being so thick
that she was not more than 5 or 6 miles off when
she first bore in sight. Lat 12 miles South. Long 109.30

Friday January 27th

First part light breezes At 5 sun off and spoke
Ship Charles Drew of Fair Haven 9 months out with
350 lbs I went on board and took tea. At sundown
Capt Davis in the Chelona came on board. Middle
and Latter part light airs and calms, employ-
ed stowing down oil between decks, found by
the Latitude which was 10 miles South that we had go-
ne 2 miles stern. Longitude by 109.35 West

Saturday January 28th

First part gentle breezes from E.S.E. steering South.
At 4 finished stowing down. Middle and Latter
part light airs and calm, see blackfish.
Latitude by Obs 7 miles South. Made 3 miles North
steering South. Longitude by Sun 109.40 West