

Barque Osceola 3rd Capt. Chas. F. Hamlin

Wednesday Nov 30th 1859

gun This day fine weather about 2 P.M. the captain went on board of the Constitution of Nantucket where they had a regular bag gam with the Catalpa and Sacramento until about dark when they were joined by the captains from the Dartmouth, Hector, Mary Ann, and Morning Star. they staid until about 10 when the gam broke up. *Go ends*

Friday Dec 2nd 1859.

gun This day fine weather with a strong breeze this afternoon about two P.M. the captain went on board the Catalpa and staid until half past nine *Go ends this day.*

Sunday Dec 4th 1859.

gun This day fine weather with a strong breeze between four and five P.M. the captain from the Elen Dodge came on board and the mate and myself went there and staid until eight o'clock when we returned and the gam broke up. Several sail in sight off shore.

Monday Dec 5th 1859.

This has been a fine day. this forenoon painted the house and sail as far as the starboard main rigging after 2 P.M. gamed with the Hector and Dartmouth the shippers went to the Dartmouth; the mates to the Hector and the 2nd mates here and staid until nearly 9 in the evening.

Tuesday Dec 6th 1859.

gun This has been another very fine day about 7 A.M. saw the Elen Dodge to leeward with her boats down at 1/2 past 8 lowered the Starboard and Waist boats for the whales. At 10 lowered the Starboard boat and got quite handy to them there were only 4 or 5 good sized whales going to windward and pulled after them 2 or 3 hours and then gave them up got to the ship again at 1/2 past 2 P.M. The captain and mate had a bit of a row about the boats not minding the signals from the ship there has been several ships chasing them whales but no one in sight has got any of them. *Go ends.*

cruising off the Gallapagos islands 1859.

Wednesday Dec 7th 1859.

gun This day fine weather and moderate breeze a little after two P.M. raised a ship on the weather beam with a whale alongside. soon after five came up with the Mary Ann and Elen Dodge coming hauled aback and the captain went to the E. Dodge and returned about nine in the evening *Go ends*

Thursday Dec 10th 1859.

gun This day fine weather strong breeze and a very rough sea. this afternoon the captain went on board the bark Sacramento and staid until 10 P.M. *Go ends*

Friday Dec 11th 1859.

gun This day fine weather and a strong breeze. to day have had a regular gam with the Catalpa, Mary Ann, Hector and Ware; all the captains were on board of us and staid until about 10 P.M. when the gam broke up. at 4 P.M. with the signal at the fore top gallant mast head for the Dartmouth who was to windward but she did not run down for us.

Saturday Dec 12th 1859.

gun This day very fine pleasant weather and light breeze about half past eleven with the signal for the Dartmouth the captain came on board and staid until 9 P.M. Painted the topsail and back sail also the plank here all around. *Go ends*

Sunday Dec 13th Lowered for Blackfish. Spoke the Joseph Weigge.

Monday Dec 14th Spoke the ship Hector

Tuesday Dec 15th " " Bark Mary Ann

Wednesday Dec 16th " " Dartmouth and Joseph Weigge

Thursday Dec 17th " " " " Sea Queen