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Saturday July 14th. First part fresh breeze from S.E. and thick weather most of the time lighted up at 6 P.M. saw Bowhead S. bearing E. S. E. Frenchman's Bluff W. S. W. and plenty of land to the North. latter part light winds from the S. and dark cloudy weather at 8 Am spoke a French Whaler 10 m. out clear 6 Ships in sight 2 boiling

Sunday July 15th. light variable winds and Calms, employed in chasing Whales about 18 hours out of 24

Monday July 16th. light variable winds and Calms employed in chasing Whales spoke the Ship Daniel Wood of New Bedford 8 Whales this Season

1st. part employed in chasing Whales
Tues. July 17th. light variable Winds and Calms at 10 Am. spoke Island N. 3 mi. S. saw a Seal Whale to far gone to cut

Wednesday July 18th. Commenced with moderate winds from the S. steering to the Westward along the Land sent 3 Boats in to cruise along the Beach saw 2 or 3 Bowheads Whales rather scarce, at 6 P.M. called the Boats on board the beach 3 mi. S. the Ship in 10 fathoms Water Middle and latter part thick fog working the Ship off shore at Noon Calm

Thursday July 19th. off Frenchman's Bluff plenty of Whales but could not strike light variable winds and Calms saw Ships Gloriana and Menerva to Anchor boiling

Friday July 20th. begins with light variable winds and calms off French Bluff 3 Boats inshore off Whales at 4 P.M. strong Winds from S.E. at 6 S. got the Boats on board and worked of the Land carrying Sail very hard M. S. G. Sail set most of the time at 11 moderate, latter part light winds and Calm at 9 Am. let go the Anchor in 12 fathoms to stem the current setting inshore Boats inshore chasing Whales, at Noon the Boats returned to the Ship

Saturday July 21st. At 2 P.M. the tide commenced running out got underway light winds from S.E. from 4 to 8 P.M. the Boats chasing Bowheads, whales plenty, one Boat got alongside of one and the Boatsteerer by the name of Eaton missed him turned him forward and put a Portuguese by the name of John in his place, at 11 the wind died away and the current setting in came to Anchor in 17 fathoms at 4 Am. fresh breeze from S.E. got underway and Comm. working out under all Sail at 9 moderate, at Noon Calm

Sunday July 22nd. First part calm saw 2 Bowheads and lowered the Boats could not get fast, Middle and latter part light winds from E. S. E. to S. E. and thick weather most of the time with small rain

Monday July 23rd. At 6 P.M. spoke Ship Cambria S.W. the Season 1st Am. saw any quantity or great number of Whales and lowered the Boats at 5 the Boat went alongside of a Bowhead Boatsteerer Howland fastened with one iron slightly held on a few Minutes and Draved at 10 So. went alongside of another one dashed his iron and Missed him so and light variable winds and fine weather all the boats off Chasing at Noon Ship Cambria took a Whale alongside

Tuesday July 24th. first part light variable winds and Calms chasing Whales continually, Middle part fresh breeze from E. S. E. and small rain, latter part light winds from N. W. Whales plenty chasing continually but can't strike cruising between French Bluff and the North Shore

Wednesday July 25th. light variable winds and fair most of the time plenty of Whales used up all the Daylight in chasing struck none the Mate Mr. Smith would have had a chance to have fastened if he had been provided with a paddle for each Man, but he had only 4 half paddles for 5 Men and to lazy or to heedless to fit his Boat and lost the chance of getting a Whale when I saw the deficiency in the Boat from the Ship I gave him a signal to come along side and found what was lacking furnished the Boat with some temporary paddles sent him off again, but it was too late the chance had gone this is a fair sample of the Man

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one
way
the
two
Smith