

the gale
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to be a
regular
South
Easter

Wednes. Aug. 16th. Commences with Moderate Winds from the Eastward and Raining at 6 P.M. strong Wind at 6 Am. heavy Gales from E. by N. probable N.E. or S.E. out side, as the Easterly Winds always blow or draw down one way in this place betwixt the high lands of the Island and the Main Land as I have been told, at 10 Am. let go the 2nd. Anchor heavy Gales ends the day no boats passing from Ship to Ship, or ashore all 4 Ships lying with both Anchors ahead

Thurs. Aug. 17th. Begins with heavy Gales and kept on the increase until Midnight, Ship dragged a little called all hands and got all the Chain on deck at 6 Am. quite a moderate Gale at 11 took up one Anchor

Friday Aug. 18th. light variable Winds and Calms and very pleasant 2 Boats cruising off Janette Point for Whales the others employed in getting Water

Saturday Aug. 19th. First part light variable winds and fair at 2 Am. light winds from E. at 3 got underway soon lost the breeze took the Ship in tow with 3 Boats to get clear of the other Ships to Anchor and also to clear the land as there was a strong current setting past the point of the Island, at 7 sent 2 Boats off to the French bluff to look for Whales, latter part light air from the S. and Calms steering to the Westward towards the bluff.

Sunday Aug. 20th. First and Middle part light Winds and Calms at 6 Am. French bluff S.W. by W. 4 mi. S.E. latter part light air from S.W. saw the 2 Boats inshore cruising or chasing Whales so ends the day

Monday Aug. 21st. Begins with fresh Breezes from from the S. at 3 P.M. set the Sails for the 2 Boats to return after an absence of 35 hours, they reported Whales in great quantities inshore or presented them to be as thick as your fingers &c. the same old story again got almost on but not quite, saw 2 Whales from the Ship

shared them until 5 P.M. from 6 to Midnight fresh breezes from S.E. Steering on Diff. tracks by the Wind latter part Calm at Noon bluff W. 8 mi. S.E.

Tuesday Aug. 22nd. First part Calm, Middle and latter part fresh breeze from S.E. to N.E. and thick weather with Rain Steering on Diff. tracks by the wind at Noon fixed myself South of Fabius Island 8 or 10 mi. distance

Wednes Aug. 23rd. Begins with fresh breezes from E. by S.E. and Raining at 1 P.M. lowered for a Whale and kept up the chase for nearly 3 hours, but could not strike as usual, at 9 So. Sable under the Topsails and Steered S. by E. quite a strong Gale at 10 made Bowhead Island quite near bearing from S. by W. to S.E. kept of S.W. by W. at 11 came to the wind heading to the S.E. with the head yards aback, at 5 Am. more moderate latter part Steering on Diff. tracks under all Sail saw Ships Ohio and Samuel Wood the latter a Baltimore at 8 or the Middle of Bowhead Island E. N.E. 6 mi. S.E.

Thurs Aug. 24th. First part fresh breezes from N.E. latter part light winds from the Eastward at 9 Am. off Janette point lowered the Boats for Whales so ends the day in Chase land 3 mi. S.E. saw several Whales and several Boats inshore chasing

Friday Aug. 25th. light variable winds and Calms at 5 P.M. the Boats returned to the Ship without success the 4th Mate started at one and came very near catching him as usual at 4 Am. sent 2 Boats inshore to look for Whales at 9 saw a large Whale near the Ship lowered the 2 other Boats and gave chase, at 12 part 10 came on board again so ends

Saturday Aug. 26th. at 5 P.M. the 2 Boats returned to the Ship without success reported seeing 4 or 5 Whales inshore but could not strike, light variable Winds and Calms at 5 Am. sent 2 Boats inshore again to cruise for Whales heard several Whales spouting through the Night latter part thick fog most of the time at Noon Janette point bore N. 3 or 4 mi. S.E. in Co. with Ship Florida

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