

Remarks on Board Bark Perry 1878

Saturday Dec 14th

Com. with Calm & Light breeze from all quarters & Occasional rain squalls & sails in sight all steering Westward. pumps attended to Mid part No Lat part steering S by W. Wind N.E. & a heavy swell from S. & so ends Lat 21-28 S

Sunday Dec 15th Long 34-28 W

Com with squally weather steering S by W. Watch employed setting up the head rigging several sails in sight. pumps attended to Mid part squally Lat part Wind N.E. at 4 a.m. Capt boarded a Barquentine from Liverpool & compared Chron. (50) fifty seconds difference at 10 a.m. returned to ship steering S by W. Lat 22-23 S

Monday Dec 16th Long 33-57 W

Com with fine weather & Light breeze E.N.E. steering S by W. pumps attended to Mid part same Lat part 4 sails in sight & so ends Lat 23-08 S

Tuesday Dec 17th Long 32-16 W

This day begins with fine weather & light breeze N.E. steering S.E. several sails in sight Mid part fine Lat part same three sails in sight and heard N. 2 two steering N.W. and so ends Lat 25-10 S

Wednesday Dec 18th Long 36-15 W

Com. with strong N.W. steering S.S.E. saw grampuses. pumps attended to at sunset shortened sail & came to the wind on port tack heading E.N.E. Wind N. Wind & Lat part strong breeze. At daylight kept off E. & saw grampuses so ends Lat 24-38 S

Long 35-14 W

Geo W. Nickerson Master 1878

Thursday Dec 19th

Com. with fine weather & good breeze N.W. steering E. at 2 P.M. saw a large Breach four points off our weather bow. luffed to the wind heading for it but saw nothing more of it at sunset shortened sail for the night Lat part squally at 8 a.m. cleared up & made sail steering N.E. so ends Lat 25-04 B

Friday Dec 20th Long 34-43 W

Com. with strong breeze N.W. at 1 P.M. wore ship steering W. pumps attended to (200) two hundred strokes at sunset shortened sail for the night Mid part moderate & some rain Lat part Calm at 8 a.m. Com. to breeze N. at 9 a.m. spoke the Schs Clara L. Sparks of Provincetown Capt Sparks since leaving St. Michaels had seen whales three times on Ahrolas. Banks & had taken thirty lbs at 12 M. Capt went on board to gam. & so ends Lat 25-31 S

Saturday Dec 21st Long 35-23 W

Com. with cool weather & fine breeze N. steering by the Wind. gamming the Clara L. Sparks pumps attended to (240) two hundred strokes at 6 P.M. finished gamming Mid part fine Lat part same ship heading N.W. the Schs in sight to windward. at 4 past 10 a.m. saw a white aboid (25) twentyfive miles off. Lea beam & ran for it so ends Lat 25-50 S

Sunday Dec 22nd Long 35-56 W

Com with Cloudy weather & good breeze N. Schs in sight at 1 P.M. came to the wind having ran far enough & seen nothing more of it at 4 P.M. tried the pumps 195. one hundred & seventyfive strokes Mid & Lat part strong breeze at 4 past 6 a.m. saw white water 5 five miles off which proved to be sperm whales Lowered 3 Boats at 4 past 6 L. Boat struck & soon after the W. boat struck at 11 a.m. took two whales