

Remarks on board Bark Perry 1879

Thursday April 24th

Begins with fine weather, ship on port tack with light trade wind emp. repairing the foresail at 3 P.M. saw Blackfish pumps attended. Mid part fine Lat part the same saw a whale Chautman steering Westward showing the Dutch flag finished repairing & bent the foresail so ends Lat 12-55 N

Friday April 25th Long 42-30 W

Begins with light trades & good weather ship on port tack Pumps attended to. At sunset shortened sail Mid part the same. Lat part kept off S. at 9 A.M. were ship heading N.W. W. Lat. on Bowsprit shrouds & so ends

Lat 12-20 N

Saturday Apr. 26th

Long 42-27 W

Begins with fine weather & good breeze steering N.W. pumps attended to (300) shrouds at sunset wore ship & shortened sail heading S.E. Mid part do. Lat part at 9 A.M. wore ship & steered N.W.

Lat 12-44 N

Sunday April 27th

Long 43-30 W

Begins with fine breeze & cloudy weather steering N.W. Pumps attended to. At sunset shortened sail & came to the wind on S. tack Wind E.N.E. Mid part same Lat part at 9 A.M. kept off N.W. saw a school of Blackfish lowered the L. Boat but did not strike.

Lat 13-44 N

Monday April 28th

Long 44-45 W

Begins with cloudy weather & light trades steering N.W. Pumps attended to. At sunset shortened sail & came to the wind on S. tack Mid part do. Lat part steering S.S.W. saw two ships

Lat 13-04 N

Long 45-30 W

Sec. W. Mickelson Master 1879

Tuesday April 29th

Begins with fine weather & light breeze steering N. three sails in sight Pumps attended to. At sunset saw Blackfish lowered for them without success shortened sail & luffed to the wind on port tack Mid part fine Lat part do. with good breeze. At night a mistake the Bark Bertha Capt. Robinson & came to gam at 10 A.M. the Bertha raised sperm whales she was 2 miles to windward three Boats lowered from each ship & so ends Boats Chasing Lat 12-38 N

Wednesday April 30th Long 45-28 W

Begins with fine weather & good Breeze Boats Chasing at 1 P.M. Capt. Mickelson struck at three whale dead & took them along side of the Bertha to cut at dark head to in & one lying along side Mid part heading by the wind on starboard tack under short sail. Lat part strong breeze at 9 A.M. saw Breaches to leeward & ran for it but saw no more of it. Bertha ship by the wind on port. Bertha Bailing so ends Lat 12-33 N

Thursday May 1st Long 45-28

Begins with strong trades ship on port tack the Bertha in sight off weather. Quarter at 3 P.M. Came to Gam. pumps attended to at 11 P.M. finished ganning & stood on starboard tack under short sail. Mid part the same Lat part wore ship the Bertha to leeward & Bailing so ends with good weather & strong Breeze

Lat 12-48 N

Long 43-31 W