

Ship Petrel, Cruising, 1855

Sunday 2nd Dec 1855

2nd Strong trades, heading S & Main to
sail set, fitting rigging for Middle post
fresh gales latter do Lot 828

Monday 3rd Long 14130

3rd Strong trades, heading S & top sail
set 1 year ago to day got 2 sperm whales
Middle post fairing & squally, latter
past fine Lot 711

Tuesday 4th No observations

4th Fine wind & heading S & all sail set
put out S Boat to at 9 am fair,
Middle post fine latter do Lot 627

Wednesday 5th

5th Fine wind S & where light air & calm
with plenty of rain, Middle post calm
latter post fine wind S & all sail
Lot 554

Thursday 6th Long 14917

6th Fine wind S & heading S all sail set
shifted fore sail & fore top sail,
Middle post squally at 1 noon to the S
latter post moved more to the S
Lot 506

Friday 7th Long 14865

7th Fine wind S & heading S S to Main
to sail set, Middle post fine latter
do repairing main sail to
Lot 507

Saturday 8th Long 14913

8th Fine wind S & heading S all sail set
repaired & bent main sail, Middle post
fine, latter do fitting ship to
Lot 111

Long 14918

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Sunday 9th Dec 1855

9th Fine wind S & heading to the S all sail
doing odd jobs for Middle post fine
latter do Lot 1105

Monday 10th Long 14903

10th Fine wind & heading to the S main to
sail set, Middle post fine latter do repairing
Boat Lot 324

Tuesday 11th Long 14912

11th Fine wind & heading to the S all sail set
repairing, Boat shifted main top sail
to repair, Middle post fine latter do at
day light saw sperm whales, lowered &
struck killed took to the ship at 10
Boats in chase of the shoal

Wednesday 12th

12th Boats down chasing, summing of with
the ship, gave up chase lost one of the
whales, took up Boats, & cut him in
Middle post fine latter do commenced
Boiling, saw a ship Lot 525

Thursday 13th Long 14840

13th Fine wind S & all sail set heading to
the S & Boiling to Middle post fine latter
do cooled down 30 Bbls Lot 1700

Friday 14th Long 14828

14th Fine wind S & heading S & all sail set
saw nothing, Middle post fine latter do
standing to the S Lot 681

Saturday 15th Long 14823

15th Fine wind & more to the S main to sail
set, Middle post fine latter do repaired Boat
fitting ship to Lot 554

Sunday 16th Long 14740

16th Fine wind & heading to the S all sail set
fitted & painted Boat, Middle post fine
latter do all sail set standing to the S
Lot 924 Long 14728