

1845 Ship School in Bristol Bay

Saturday 19th July 1845

19th Mott, Daring heading to the E wind S cutting at 3 got through, Daring spun round all his head, sighted fire. Middle port Mott latter do stood to the S & foggy

Sunday 20th

20th Mott wind S heading to the S E top sail closed of saw the land. Middle port thick fog latter do calm

Monday 21st

21st Calm heading to the S thick fog Boiling at five light air from the E shifted to the W latter part the Daring & fog spoke hulls of S B wind S B headed to the S strong gales

Tuesday 22nd

22nd Strong gales from the S B heading S E short sail closed down Middle port the same latter do thick & rain, breaking out to storm at 11 AM fell in with a dead whale

Wednesday 23rd

23rd Strong gales at 11 heading S short sail, saw & took the Whales along side, storming down oil at 4 hooked on to cut knocked of, very dugged Middle port strong gale with a heavy sea at 11 cut of fluke chain & let the whale go more to the S & made sail close reefed top sails at 3 saw the land 10 miles off heading E heading S B B latter part do

Thursday 24th

24th Strong gales from the W set double reefs at 4 set jil heading S B lost craft, Middle port Mott, at light made sail heading S B latter do storming down oil at 10 saw a dead whale to seaward, lowered for a whale chased away

Set 56 40

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Friday 25th

25th Mott thick fog took the whale along side & went to cutting at 8 got through, Brindley port Mott Boiling, latter part breaking out to storm, rain rain more new path

Saturday 26th

26th Strong gales at 1 heading S B double reefed top sails Boiling, at 4 took in fore top sail & jil rain all day, Middle port Mott, latter part a smart gale heading S B strong all day saw a sight whale saw new path

Sunday 27th

27th Strong gales at 1 heading S B main top & fore sail Boiling, rain, Middle port the same very dugged, latter part abated, Boasted by Capt Clark of the Maguel cooled down & more to the S saw 2 ships

Monday 28th

28th Calm at a heavy swell from the S B storming down oil at 8 knocked of calm, thick fog Middle port Mott, latter part fog, wind S B B heading S B at 10 cleared of storming oil to a ship in sight

Set 57 15

Tuesday 29th Long 16450

29th Mott wind S heading to the S all sail set, storming Bone to, saw humpbacks ship found myself at last 14 days fog, saw a whale lowered & chased Middle port Mott short sail at daylight whale lowered again struck killed took along side & cutting killed with Bomb Wednesday 30th

30th Fine cutting calm, at 6 got through cleared decks & commenced Boiling, Middle port fine, latter strong gales & dugged heading to the S

Thursday 31st

31st Strong gales & dugged heading to the S Boiling spoke the Bark Pas Andrews Capt came on board Middle port Mott latter do thousands of pin backs

Set 56, 16 Long 164, 18