

Ship Balena of New Bedford Capt John Dorman

Monday May 22^d 1854

This day comes in with fine weather and light trade winds the ship heading to the Eastward all hands employed cutting in fished about 2 P.M. and commenced boiling the Bark in sight to the Westward. Saw black fish.
Lat by obs. 29° Long by Chron 88.40

Tuesday May 23^d

Comes in with gentle trades the ship standing to the East at daylight were round to the Eastward all hands employed boiling the Bark in sight to the Westward. Saw Blackfish.
Lat by obs 29° Long by Chron 88.44

Wednesday May 24th

This day comes in with light trade winds the ship standing to the Southward employed boiling finished about 11 P.M. latter part employed Coopering Saw nothing.
Lat by obs 29.50° Long by Chron 88.55

Thursday May 25th

These twenty four hours light winds from S.E. the ship standing to the S.W. Middle and latter part nearly Calm. Employed Coopering Saw nothing.
Lat by obs 29.54° Long by Chron 89.56

Friday May 26th

Commences with moderate trades the ship steering to the Westward at sunset heeled to the wind to the Southward & Eastward a Bark in sight steering East latter part steering down oil Saw nothing in the shape of Whales.
Lat by obs 30° Long by Chron 89.56

Saturday May 27th

This day comes in with fine weather and light breezes the ship standing to the Eastward. Employed stowing down oil in main hatch way finished about 11 A.M.
Lat by obs 30.5° Long by Chron 89.21

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Sunday May 28th 1854

This day comes in with fine weather and light trade winds the ship standing on the Eastern tack at daylight were round to the S.W. a Bark in sight to the Westward Saw porpoises.
Lat by obs 30.00° Long by Chron 89.32

Monday May 29th 1854

Commences with fine weather and light trade winds the ship standing to the Westward at sunset tacked off shore at daylight tacked again to the S.W. two Barks in sight Saw no fish.
Lat by obs 30.05° Long by Chron 89.40

Tuesday May 30th

This day comes in with fine weather & light breezes from the Southward the ship standing to the S.W. at sunset tacked off shore to the Eastward Saw nothing. Employed setting up Chocks.
Lat by obs 30.09° Long by Chron 89.56

Wednesday May 31st

This day comes in with moderate breeze from S.E. the ship standing to the Eastward under all sail middle and latter part much the same Saw a finback.
Lat by obs 30.10° Long by Chron 89.47

Thursday June 1st

This day comes in with fine weather and moderate trade winds the ship standing to the Eastward Saw a finback ends with squally weather.
Lat by obs Long by Chron

Friday June 2^d

This day comes in with fine weather and light breezes from S.E. the ship standing to the S.W. Saw Blackfish a sail in sight standing Eastward.
Lat by obs 30.47° Long by Chron 89.09