

1856

Ship. Balena of New Bedford Capt John S. Dorman

Sunday October 2th

This day comes in with fine weather and moderate trades the ship standing off shore at 7 A.M. was round and steered N.E. by N. latter part lowered for Blackfish without success at noon South Head bearing about N.W. by N. 20 miles Dist.

Monday Oct 3th

Comes in with moderate trades the ship steers N.N.E. saw finbacks latter part steering North lowered for Blackfish struck and drewed from two at noon North Head bearing East 5 miles a Bark in sight to the N.W. steering in towards N. Head.

Tuesday Oct 4th

First part of these twenty four hours strong trades the ship standing to the Westward middle part steering to N.W. latter part standing in shore saw finbacks at noon North Head bearing E. by S. 20 miles.

Wednesday Oct 10

Comes in with fresh trades the ship working to the Southward middle and latter part moderate saw Blackfish going to Windward a Bark in sight to the Northward at noon North Head bearing N.N.E. 10 miles

Thursday Oct 11th

This day comes in with light trades the ship standing off shore at 2 P.M. was round to the N.E. a Bark in sight steering for the Rocks of Dunder. latter part raining and few trades the ship steering to the Westward Lat 42³² N Menmans Island bearing

Friday Oct 12th

This day comes in with fine weather and moderate trades the ship standing in for Menmans Island at 5 1/2 P.M. saw a large school of Whales going to Eastward lowered four boats without success could not get to them before dark latter part steering toward the S. at noon Menmans Island bearing N.W. 15 miles

153

Ship Balena of New Bedford Capt Dorman

Saturday Oct 13th

This day comes in with fine weather and moderate breeze the ship steering for Menmans Island at 2 P.M. saw Whales lowered three boats at 2 P.M. West Boat struck & killed a small Whale the other Boats chasing off to leeward come on board at sunset and traced forward standing to the Eastward latter part employed cutting finished about 9 A.M. Menmans Island in sight bearing N.W. saw finback

Sunday Oct. 14th

This day comes in with fine weather and light trades the ship standing to the Westward latter part employed boiling a Bark in sight standing to the Eastward at noon Menmans Island bearing N.E. 15 miles

Monday Oct 15th

Comes in with fresh breezes and clear weather the ship standing to the Eastward at sunset wore ship to the Westward saw finbacks at daylight finished boiling at noon Menmans Island bearing E.

Tuesday Oct 16th

Comes in with gentle trades the ship steering N.E. at sunset heaved to the Wind heading E. S.E. at daylight wore ship and steered N.W. saw finbacks at noon Menmans Island bearing N. 25 miles

Wednesday Oct 17th

Strong trades and clear weather the ship standing to the Westward at sunset wore ship to the Eastward saw finbacks latter part steering N.N.W. at noon Menmans Island bearing N.W. 10 miles Dist

Thursday Oct 18th

First moderate trades the ship steering to the N. N.W. at sunset heaved to the Wind latter part standing to the Eastward at noon Culpeper Island bearing about N. 15 miles saw nothing