

Ship Balena of New Bedford. Capt. S. S. Towner.

Thursday December 30th

Commenced with moderate breezes and fine weather employed cooping, finished at 2 p.m. nothing of consequence in sight up to sundown. At daylight commenced breaking out in the hold, and stowed down sail. Nothing in sight. Lat. 00. 17 S. Long 88. 32 W.

Wednesday December 31st.

commenced with moderate breezes and fine weather. Employed slowing down oil finished at sundown. Nothing of consequence in sight. Forenoon employed getting ground line back. Employed making stowage. pumped 2 Cask of oil. Lat. 06. S. Long 88. 32 W.

Thursday January the 1st 1851

Wind light weather fine. Employed cooping and making stowage. Nothing of consequence in sight. Forenoon with rays and strong breezes. Nothing in sight.

Friday January the 2nd

commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather. Employed making Reefs and repairing Sails. Captains making stowage. Sub. Blubber off duty. In forenoon while washed the castle. Nothing in sight. Lat. 00. 18 N. Long 88. 32 W.

Saturday January the 3rd

Wind light weather fine nothing doing. got some land Distances. Nothing in sight at night. Forenoon nothing of any consequence doing. nothing in sight. Lat. 00. 3 S. Long 88. 17 W.

Sunday January 4th

commenced with light winds and fine weather. Saw Chatham Island at 1 p.m. nothing more in sight. at day light saw St. Paul and at 4 p.m. saw Bonlaw. Nothing doing and no consequence in sight.

Monday January the 5th

Wind light weather fine. Nothing doing. nothing in sight except Bonlaw and Bonlaw Island.

Thursday January the 6th

commenced with light winds and pleasant weather. at 2 p.m. the Capt. Towner went in shore and Bonlaw Island. He came on board at 4 p.m. with a good lot of fish. employed afterwards cleaning and salting fish. got done at sundown. Forenoon employed scolding up the blacksmith's Forge. nothing in sight.

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Wednesday January the 7th.

commenced with light winds and pleasant weather. employed doing nothing. Forenoon saw black fish. chased them but could not get anything. Abington bearing S. E. Lat. 00. 36 N.

Thursday January the 8th

commenced with light winds and fine weather. At 3 minutes past 11 saw Whales. Lowered down and Waist Boat struck and killed a Whale. At 3 p.m. Larboard Boat struck and killed a Whale. got him alongside at 8 1/2 p.m. in the forenoon employed cutting at 4 p.m. saw Whales lowered down and Larboard Boat struck and killed two Whales got him alongside at 3 p.m. finished cutting and Whale by sundown.



Friday January the 9th

commenced with light winds and pleasant weather. Boats in chase of Whales. Larboard and Waist Boat got two small Whales got them alongside at 5 p.m. the remainder of the day employed cutting in fuel bailing. Abington Island in sight bearing S. E.



Saturday January the 10th

commenced with light winds and thick weather and rain. employed finishing cutting in and cutting up blubber. kept on boiling had some Rain brought the light. At 9 A.M. saw a Boat in chase of Whales. Lowered the L. and Waist Boat. but did not succeed in getting anything. Abington bearing S. E.

Sunday January the 11th

commenced with light winds and fine weather. Employed boiling. At 8 A.M. saw Whales. Chased them but did not succeed in getting anything.

Monday January the 12th

commenced with Spally and Rainy weather employed bailing and chasing Whales. Boats came on board at 3 p.m. Larboard Boat employed bailing. finished at 8 p.m. Wemmanus Island in sight.

Thursday January the 13th

commenced with strong breezes and Rain. Employed cooping oil. Wemmanus and Culpepper Island in sight. Lat. 00. 38 N. Long 91. 45 W.

Wednesday the 14th

commenced with light winds and fine weather. Employed cooping oil finished at sundown.