

Ship Balaena Cruising July 1857

Wednesday July the 15th

Commences with strong Breezes and fair Weather the Ship goes by the Wind. Eastward Employed cutting up Blubber and clearing away Heats at 3 P.M. commenced boiling. Latter part chased Whales at 11 A.M. the Larb. Boat struck and killed a Small Whale took him to the Ship at 1 P.M. no other

Thursday July the 16th

Commences with strong Breezes and good Weather Employed boiling and cutting up. finished cutting at sunset. the Ship going E. and W. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S.E. Current N.E. Lat. 1.42 N Long 90.16 W

Friday July the 17th

Commenced light Winds and pleasant Weather ends the same the Ship going by the Wind E. employed boiling. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S.E. Current N.E. Lat. 1.56 N Long 90.22 W

Saturday July the 18th

Commences with light Winds latter part the same with Rain the Ship going by the Wind W. the Eastward. Employed boiling finished at Midnight. turned up 90 Barr. saw a Bark. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind variable from the S. and W. Current N.E. Lat. 1.49 N Long 90.22 W

Sunday July the 19th

Commences and ends with light Winds. fore part had some rain latter part fine Weather. the Ship going by the Wind Eastward. Nothing doing and nothing in sight. Lat. 1.45 N Long 89.98

Monday July the 20th

Commences with strong Trades and good Weather. the Ship going by the Wind to the Eastward. Employed Coagulating Oil. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S. by E. Current N.E. Lat. 1.28 N Long 88.22 W

Tuesday July the 21st

Commences with strong Trades and ends the same. the Ship going by the Wind Eastward. Employed coagulating Oil and repairing the Main top gallant sail. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S. by E. Current N.E. Lat. 1.08 N Long 88.09 W

Wednesday July the 22nd

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Commences with a double reefed topsail Breeze, the going by the Wind Eastward fore part. latter part Westward Employed stowing down Oil. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S. by E. Current unknown. Lat. 1.09 N

Thursday July the 23rd

Commences with strong and ends with moderate Breezes weather fine. the Ship going by the Wind Eastward Employed stowing Oil finished at 10 P.M. Harveel 85 Barrels Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S. by E. Current easterly Lat. 00.59 N Long 88.1

Friday July the 24th

Commences with moderate Breezes and ends the same Weather fine. the Ship going by the Wind East. and W. equal line. Employed sending up new Main royal Biggering. Nothing of importance in sight. Harveel 85 Barrels and Narcissa Corcoran off duty sick. Wind S. by E. Current N.E. Lat. 00.53 N Long 89.39

Saturday July the 25th

Commences with light Winds and ends the same. the Ship going by the Wind both ways. latter part saw Abingdon bearing S.W. by S. Dist 30 M. Nothing doing and Nothing of importance in sight. Harveel 85 Barrels all well again Narcissa Corcoran getting better. Wind as usual Current. Lat. 00.51 N Long 90.36 W

Sunday July the 26th

Commences with moderate Trades and fair Weather and ends the same the Ship going by the Wind both ways. Abingdon bearing S. by W. Dist 20 M. Nothing doing and Nothing in sight. Narcissa is the same. Wind S. by E. Current N.E. Lat. 00.53 N Long 90.48 W

Monday July the 27th

Commences with light Winds and pleasant Weather. the Ship steering several courses. Abingdon bearing S. Dist 25 M. Employed repairing the Main sail. Narcissa Corcoran is no better. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind as usual. Current N.E. Lat. 00.56 N Long 90.56 W

Tuesday July the 28th