

Ship Stover, of New Bedford, cruising
Saturday, Sept 7th 1861

Fresh trade, land. with fresh trade and clear weather, heading S. E. under top sails & at sunset shortened sail, at daylight made sail, saw Finbacks, saw the Kathleen, latter part brisk trade, so Ends. Lat by Obs. 19. 30. S. Long 65. 58. E.

Sunday, September 8th 1861
Begins with fresh trade under all sail steering by the wind to the South, at 5. P. M. spoke the Kathleen, at sunset shortened sail, middle part mast calm, at sunrise made all sail, the wind S. E. latter part the wind South, saw the Kathleen, so Ends, Lat by Obs. 20. 13. South,

Monday, Sept. 9th 1861
land. with fresh trade heading W. S. W. with Main T. G. sail and Flying Libb out, at sunset shortened sail, spoke the Kathleen but did not gain with her, at daylight made sail and steered N. W. so Ends, Lat 20. 44. S. Long 63. 58. E.

Tuesday, September 10th 1861
land. with brisk trade steered N. W. under double reef. V. at 3. 40. P. M. spoke the Kathleen steered North, at sunset tacked off shore and took in sail, at daylight made sail saw the land bearing N. E. steered off. W. by S. at 9. 20. M. tacked to the N. E. saw two sails, at 10. 20. M. spoke the ship Lydia of Fairhaven, Babcock Master, 15 months out 1000 Hbls 500. S. 500 whale. Oil. at 10. 40. M. Mr. Joseph saw sperm whale to the windward three miles off going quick to S. E. W. tacked for them so Ends, the land bearing N. W. Dist 15. miles, latter part moderate, The first spout of a sperm whale, that we have seen for over four months, and we have not got a whale for almost 10. months, and have seen sperm. whales only twice during 10 months past, and that is what I call hard luck,

21. at



Mr. Joseph

N. B.

off. Rodrigue A. N. Perkins, Master.
Wednesday, September 11th 1861

land. with moderate trade heading S. by W all sail set, after the whales at S. P. M. saw the Lydia, strike a whale, and she got him, at 2. 15. P. M. lowered two Boats, but all in vain the whales went to the windward, at 3. 20. P. M. took up the Boats, and stood to the South, with a fresh breeze, took in the Light sails, saw a sail to the S. E. W. at 5. 30. M. Downing saw sperm whales going quick to the windward set our colours to mate and the Bark Messenger answered them, lowered three Boats from each ship but all in vain, at dark took up the Boats, and shortened sail heading South, at 3. 40. M. tacked to the N. E. latter part some squally saw the Land and three sails. so Ends, Lat 20. 03. S.

Thursday, Sept. 13th 1861
S. Lydia & B. Messenger, all these 24 hours fine pleasant weather under all sail, gained with the Lydia & the Messenger, but a new Flying Libb & Mizzen T. G. sail saw the Land and four sails, repaired the Old Flying Libb. so Ends, Lat 20. 07. S.

Friday September 13th 1861
All sail, land. with light trade and fine weather, all sail set heading to the Eastward, latter part fresh trade saw two Barks, running off, so Ends. Lat 19. 40. S.

Saturday, Sept. 14th 1861
Brisk trade, Begins with brisk trade heading S. W. to sail out, saw 4. sails, at sunset shortened sail, middle and latter parts strong trade, saw the Land, and 4 sails, so Ends, Lat 20. 07. S.

Sunday, Sept. 15th 1861
Strong trade, land. with strong trade heading off shore under short sail, middle & latter part rugged, saw three sails, so Ends, Lat 20. 04. S.