

1895 Journal of the Whaling Boat President
Lanning

313 Saturday Feb 23

This day comes with a good breeze from the N.W. and the ship heading along by the wind. Saw four porpoises. Went to work on the upper topsail at sundown shortened sail as usual. Middle port wore ship. Latter part good weather. Made all sail.

314 Sunday Feb 24

This day comes in with a good breeze from the N.W. & the ship cruising with still to work on the upper topsail at sundown shortened sail as usual. Nothing in sight. Fore Antone Syvered at the mast that got his fingers cut in a cut in again. Middle port wore ship. Latter part good weather. Made all sail. Steaming N.W. & about 8 o'clock Alon a man forward raised a school of small sperm whales. got our boats ready and lowered and Starboard Boat struck and soon after the Starboard Boat struck then the Waste Boat and we got the 3 whales along side and made fast about noon.

Monday Feb 25

This day comes in with a moderate breeze. got the cutting gear up and cut in the three whales and sent the cutting gear down and cleared away the heads. Latter part started the workers and cutting blubber. Ship heading along by the wind.

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John P. Thorpe, Master

316 Tuesday Feb 26

This day comes in with a moderate breeze. ship heading along by the wind. Whales boiling and cutting blubber, nothing in sight. at sundown took in the topsails and jib. Middle port the same. Latter part good weather. Made sail heading along by the wind. Still boiling and pumping salt water.

317 Wednesday Feb 27

This day comes in with a moderate breeze. ship cruising with still boiling and put some oil down below. nothing in sight. at sundown shortened sail as usual. Middle port the same. Latter part good weather. Made sail and about 8 o'clock Alon our second mate raised sperm whales. got the boats ready and lowered and Starboard Boat struck and the Iron came out and the whale went off and soon after the Starboard Boat struck another whale and we got the whale along side and made fast about noon.

318 Thursday Feb 28

This day comes in with a moderate breeze. got the cutting gear up and cut the whale in and sent the gear down and cleared away the heads. Still boiling and cutting blubber. at sundown took in the light sails. Latter part good weather. Made some sail. Still boiling and pumping oil down below.

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