

1895 Journal of the Whaling Bark President

Leeward Boat struck and the Harbord Boat in trying to get fast to the same whale cut the line with his Iron. The Boats came on board without getting any

4.75 Wednesday Aug 14

This day comes in with a good breeze from the NW. Saw the Whales again and lowered but did not get any shortened sail as usual. Middle port the same. Latter good weather. Made all sail and about 6 o'clock AM saw a Sp. Whale but we did not lower the Boats as we only saw the "Whale one rising"

4.76 Thursday Aug 15

This day comes in with good weather. Ship cruising. at Sandown shortened sail as usual. Middle port the same. Latter part good weather. Made all sail. Cruising. Sun still off duty

4.77 Friday Aug 16

This day comes in with a strong breeze from the NW. Took in all sail except lower Top sails. Nothing in sight. Middle port a gale put a reef in the fore top mast stay sail. Latter part moderated. Some we set the fore sail. Cruising under short sail

John. P. Praro. Master

4.78 Saturday Aug 17

This day comes in with a moderate gale from the NW. Ship cruising under lower Top sails and fore sail. Nothing in sight. Middle port the same. Latter part about a calm. Waits broke out. Provisions

4.79 Sunday Aug 18

This day comes in with a strong breeze from the NW. Steered off S. E. and made some sail. Saw Porpoises at Sandown hauled to the wind and shortened sail as usual. Middle port strong breeze took in the fore sail. Latter part quite good weather. Made some sail and steered off E. by N.

4.80 Monday Aug 19

This day comes in with quite a strong breeze. Stearing E. by N. saw a Stear at Sandown. Hauled to the wind and took in the upper Top sails. Middle port the same. Latter part good weather. Made all sail and steered off S. E.

4.81 Tuesday Aug 20

This day comes in with a light breeze from the NW. Stearing S. E. saw a Merchant Vessel. At Sandown hauled to the wind and shortened sail as usual. Latter part good weather. Made all sail and steered off E. by N.