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Wed. Thursday commenced along gale at 2 PM got the whale
 29th along side and commenced cutting them out in 30 ft
 them. By night at the water in boat crews and
 laid by the other gale increased. Whales killed the
 full rope in the night got a drift and got him ends
 with strong gale and a heavy sea
 Long 95. 09 Lat 36. 57

Wed. Thursday commenced blowing fast gale from the South
 30th weather at 2 PM had a meeting on board made
 fast more moderate in the boat and weather
 at 5 PM commenced cutting finished at 11 o'clock
 Lat no observation

Wed. Thursday commenced fair breeze and pleasant employed
 31st cleaning away the deck. All commenced working
 made and the boat and the other at 10 PM
 Lat 36. 38

Wed. Thursday commenced fine breeze and clear weather
 1st employed at driving mule boat fast gale from
 Northward at 7 PM took in all our blowing heavy
 Lat 37. 29

Wed. Thursday commenced fresh gale from Northward
 2nd employed at driving at 6 PM finished working
 at half past seven had a meeting on board
 mule boat strong gale latter part more
 moderate at 10 PM called all hands. commenced
 stowing down the rig ends Lat no observation

Wed. Thursday commenced fresh breeze from the North
 3rd and weather steering 000 employed at stowing
 down mule boat rigging mule and pleasant
 latter part the same wind. Lat 36. 45
 Long 99. 26

Wed. Thursday commenced fine breeze and pleasant
 4th at 4 PM finished stowing down the rig
 mule of the ship and had a meeting
 latter part wind from the North
 steering of 000 ends
 Lat 36. 18 Long more

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Wed. Thursday commenced strong breeze from the West
 5th steering 000 mule boat rain latter part
 thick foggy weather. Lat 37. 00
 Long 105. 4

Wed. Thursday commenced fine breeze from N. N. W. and
 4th pleasant steering 000 with all sail set
 At 6 AM raised 2 large abeam whales. Several
 the first and cut off them at 11 o'clock P. M.
 got him along side ends Lat no observation

Wed. Thursday commenced light air and calm
 8th commenced cutting in the whale at 6 PM
 finished cutting and commenced driving
 ends fine weather Lat 36. 58
 Long 109. 48

Wed. Thursday commenced light breeze heading to the
 9th commenced employed at driving and standing
 towards us the ship. Several of the students at 4 PM
 that came on board of us from here we used 5 months
 cut with 40 lbs of sperm at 11 AM finished
 Lat 36. 52 Long 110. 22

Wed. Thursday commenced calm and pleasant weather
 10th employed at breaking out mule boat the same
 latter part light breeze steering 000 at 4 PM
 raised a school of sperm whales finished the
 whale and took 3 of them. Lat no observation

Wed. Thursday commenced light breeze and pleasant at 2 PM
 11th got the mule along side commenced cutting at 6 PM finished
 cutting mule boat strong breeze and mule latter
 part fresh gale from the N. W. employed at
 clearing away the heads ends more moderate
 Lat no observation

Wed. Thursday commenced light breeze and pleasant at 2 PM
 12th got the mule along side commenced cutting at 6 PM finished
 cutting mule boat strong breeze and mule latter
 part fresh gale from the N. W. employed at
 clearing away the heads ends more moderate
 Lat no observation

Wed. Thursday commenced light breeze and pleasant at 2 PM
 13th got the mule along side commenced cutting at 6 PM finished
 cutting mule boat strong breeze and mule latter
 part fresh gale from the N. W. employed at
 clearing away the heads ends more moderate
 Lat no observation