

Barke Perascoe South Atlantic

Saturday November 28th 1846

All these 24 hours light & pleasant weather Steered to Eastward later Saw finbacks & A Whale to leeward to Eastward At 6 A.M. Steered SE Latitude Obs 34 11

Sunday 29th Long At Noon 18 40

All these 24 hours light breezes from North fine weather first part Steered SE Saw finbacks & A great quantity of fide Middle to ENE under Double reefs later SW with a brisk Breeze from North Saw finbacks Latitude Obs 34 45

Long At Noon 17 44

Monday 30th

First part lively breezes from North fine clear weather Steered SW & Saw a number finbacks & whale fide Middle under Double reefs to N.W. later Strong breezes from North & clear Steered SE green water scale & a number finbacks at 10 Steered SW to Ends another Day & no whales Latitude Obs 35 42 Long At Noon 18 25

Tuesday December 1st

First part fresh breezes from North clear Steered On Diff. Courses to SW & to SE Saw finbacks & fide Middle to Eastward under Short Sail later Strong breezes from North Steered SW green water fide & finbacks Latitude Obs 36 42 Long At Noon 17 56

Wednesday 2nd

A First part of these 24 hours Strong breezes from North hazy Smoky under reef topsails At 1 light to the wind to N.W. At 6 Saw a White Whale going to N.W. Very first At 6.30 Spoke Barke Peri New Bedford just finished Stowing down his first W. Whale Middle Strong breezes thick & rainy headed to Westward under Short Sail later thick & rainy green water all these 24 hours Birds quite Plenty

Thursday 3rd

First part & Middle fresh gales from N.W. to ENE thick rainy weather under Short Sail to the Westward later wind from N.W. to West Cleared away At 7 hooked Ship to N.W. Ends Moderate under all Sail the Peri 6 miles off to windward & plenty Birds & green water Latitude Obs 37 09 Long at Noon 18 23

Friday 4th

First part Moderate breezes from West fine weather under all Sail to Northward the Peri 6 miles to windward At 9 tacked to ENE At 11 Strong breezes from SW Double reef At 6 tacked to West Set whale 3 sails Wind S.W. Saw finbacks & a great number of Birds large & small Latitude 36 58 the Peri in light to leeward at 19 Steered N.W. Long At Noon 18 48

Cruising for Rite Whales

Saturday 5th

First part Moderate breezes from South fine weather Steered N.W. & W. Saw many finbacks Middle light Encliside to Eastward Steered to North West 20 miles later Strong from ENE Steered to North Westward & to SW Saw A great Number of finbacks & Birds the water green But no R. Whales Lat At 36 20 Long etc 19 30

Sunday 6th

First part Strong & increasing breezes from ENE under Double reefs to SW & N.W. Middle thick & rainy wind from ENE to North headed to North Westward later fresh gales thick & rainy under Short sail at 10 Clear Latitude Obs 36 42 Long At 11 A.M. 21 09

Monday 8th

Commences with Strong gales from North thick & rainy At 3 wind halled to N.W. Cleared & Moderate At 6.30 Spoke Barke Cachalot Matapoiset Taber 19 months out 800 Spenn 300 Whale Bridle light from N.W. to West Steered to Northward later Small airs & calms Lost Down J.J. Mast it being Badly Sprung At 9 raised A Rite Whale lowered but could not get fast Lat 36 30 Long At 21 25 N

Tuesday 8th

First part light airs & Calms All hands Employed fitting Fore J.J. Slipping lowered for A Rite whale but could not fasten At 6 lowered for another with the same Success Middle Small airs & Calm later Lost up A new fore J.J. Mast Set up again lowered for 2 hump backs but could not fasten & the Cachalot lowered with the same Success A brisk breeze from SE to East Lat 36 45

Wednesday 9th

Long 21 28 15

First part Moderate breezes from East to SE foggy & drizzly A part of the line Steered N.W. At 5 P.M. struck A Rite Whale & parted the line & could not get fast again Saw some 20 finbacks in one gam. All Scooping Middle light airs from Northward later Calm Lat 36 44 Long At Noon 21 23