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Bark Roscoe off South Coast
Tuesday Oct 19th 1847

First Part fair & whale weather by the wind to South
#6 tacked to N.E. & turned out the reefs middle fresh
Later Strong from East. #8 single reef
Note have experienced Lat 27 23 Long 45 30
Some 10 or 15 miles west by current

Wednesday 20th

First & Middle Strong breezes from East to E.S.E.
Steered by the wind to South Eastward under single
reefs later more moderate turned out the reefs
Note have exp 20th Latitude 28 28 Long 47 04

Thursday 21st

First Part fresh but decreasing breezes from
E.S.E. fine weather #12.30 tacked to N.E. #3 A.M.
Sail let middle fresh later moderate & fine
Blacksmiths Emp making Boats for the Catheads
Lat 27 05 Long Merid 46 30

Friday 22nd

All these 24 hours moderate breezes from East to N.E.
fine weather #2 30 P.M. tacked ship to S.E. Middle
& later heading E.S. to E.S.E. Saw finbacks & humpbacks
Latitude 26 56 Long 47 38 # Merid

Saturday 23rd

First Part light breezes from N.E. fine weather
Steered to Eastward #6 the wind shifted to S.S.W.
Steered N.E. & N.E. N.E. Later lively with light rain
At Enterills Steered N.N.E. No Observations
Latitude account 25 40 Long 47 50

Sunday 24th

First Part lively breezes from S.E. & fine whale
weather Steered N.W. #6 30 took in sail later
moderate from East to N.E. Steered by the wind to
Northward some squally Lat Obs 24 58
Long # 10 # 47 58

Monday 25th

First part fresh breezes from N.E. & fine by the wind
to N.W. saw a merchant Barke steering to the Westward
#6 30 took in sail & wore ship to E.S. the land
in sight from 20 to 25 miles off later Strong breezes
from N.E. #7 Double reef Lat Obs 25 02
Long Merid 48 30

Tuesday 26th

First Part fresh breezes from N.E. & cloudy by the
wind to E.S. Middle moderate later squally & hailing from
the Westward with light showers #9 cleared with a small
air from West but no whales Latitude Obs 24 46
Long # Merid 47 34

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Of Madagascar For Green Whales
Wednesday Oct 27th 1847

Commences with light airs from West clear & fine
#4 Strong from S.W. & clear to N.W. Double reef
Middle Strong from S.W. to South later fresh from
South fine clear weather Steered to West & N.W. under
hale Topsails & Main topgallinsail on bent to sail
to meet so ends & no whales Lat Obs 24 10
Note this Day Opened 500 lbs of Fat Obs 24 10
Saw Provisions four of beef & two of Pork & made 3 bunches of it to last
as many Days 4 bbls forward of 5 Aft
Commenced rising on the later part
of this Day in the morning

Thursday 28th

All these 24 hours lively breezes from S.E. to S.E.
fine weather Steered to East #3 P.M. tacked to the
wind to E.S. Middle under Short Sail later hauled all
Sail to E.S. but no whales Lat Obs 23 23 Long 49 15

Friday 29th

All these 24 hours fine breezes from S.E. to E.S. and fine
weather as ever was for whaling but not a single head
to be seen saw finbacks & 5 fish first & middle headed
to E.S. later to S.E. under all sail later Emp breaking out
for butter & bread broach a keg weighing 67 lbs & 10
Lat Obs 23 16 Long Obs 49 40
By Lunar 50 09

Saturday 30th

All these 24 hours lively breezes from East & beautiful
weather First Part Steered N.W. under all sail middle hilled
the Station later Steered N.W. under all saw hump & finbacks
But no sperm whales Lat 24 06 Long Merid 48 56 # 8 A.M. 49 10
By Lunar 48 56

Sunday 31st

All these 24 hours light moderate breezes from East to E.S.
fine pleasant weather first part Steered N.W. & North middle on
Siff backs later Steered by the wind to North Lat Obs 22 54
Long # Merid 48 40



Monday 1st of November

All these 24 hours moderate breezes from E.S. & fine
weather until 1 30 then W.M.S. #4 P.M. raised sperm whales toward
#7 struck it being 2. All most dark did not succeed in killing the
whale & could not get past with the 2nd boat the 3rd boat got
fast with the 1st boat & killed on all night the whale run
in different directions & sounded long & deep at one time he
had cut from 5 to 600 fathoms of line for 3 hours or more when
day light came on he succeeded in getting in nearly all of the
line & tried to get another boat fast but found it impossible he
would not allow a boat to come near him he run & sounded
all the fore noon but it was impossible to get near enough to touch
him with craft so ends Lat Obs 23 15 Long 48 25