

Ship St Peter Cruising for whales in the South Atlantic

Tuesday Dec 5th 1846

Commenced with fresh breezes from the North & Westward raising under whole top sails & courses Middle part took in the courses latter part shore medesake made all sail & hauled up for the 1st heading 10th at the 1st bear N.W. Dist 20 miles

Wednesday Dec 6th Commenced with fine weather at 6 P.M. saw several right whales to the windward too late to bear Middle & latter parts calm The Land bearing N.W. Dist 20 miles

Thursday Dec 10th

Commenced with fine weather & a light breeze from the N.E. saw several whales at 1 P.M. leaved and struck & killed one to the starboard boat at 5 took him a long side and cut him up. Latter part foggy employed in boyling? at the 1st Land bear N.W. Dist 40 miles

Friday Dec 11th

Commenced with calm weather at 1 P.M. saw a right whale leaved the boat but could get on Middle & latter part calm. at 9 A.M. saw three whales leaved and struck one too L.B. at 11 took him a long side. Land in sight bearing N.W. Dist 25 miles

Saturday Dec 12th

Commenced with fine and pleasant weather Middle & latter part fresh from the N.W. at 5 P.M. hooked on and cut the whale in latter part employed in boyling. Land in sight bearing N.W. Dist 15 miles

Sunday Dec 13th

Commenced with fresh breezes from the North Middle & latter calm employed in boyling & stirring down at 7 P.M. the Carpenter was taken very sick with the 1st complaint. Land bearing N.W. Dist 40 miles

Continued Cruising

Monday Dec 14th 1846

Commenced with light breezes & Calms employed in boyling. Middle & latter parts the same. Land bearing N.W. Dist 20 miles

Tuesday Dec 15th

Commenced with light breezes & Calms employed in boyling & stirring down oil in the chain. Latter part the same. Land bearing N.W. Dist 30 miles

Wednesday Dec 16th

Commenced with light breezes from the N.E. at 2 P.M. saw whales going gale for the N.E. later part fresh gales with rain at 10 P.M. spoke the Ship *Winchester* of London bound to *Robertson* & got the *Docket* from on board of them to see the *Carpenter*. Sails this day

Thursday Dec 17th

Commenced with fresh breezes from the North at 1 P.M. took the *Doc* back on board and returning on board got amongst a long side and lost 3 lances and one iron boat knife and hatchet & spade latter part calm

Friday Dec 18th

Commenced with calm and Clear weather joined the *Queen* top Golant Crest Trees broke. Landed the *Maist* and made a *Age* part and got the *Maist* in end a gain Middle part fair weather latter part hazy employed in cleaning bean. Land bearing N.W. Dist 15 miles

Saturday Dec 19th

Commenced with fresh gales and heavy at 4 P.M. spoke the Ship *Saturday* of New Bedford with 150 men & 1 right whale Middle & latter part strong gales. Sails this day