

October 23rd Ship St Peter October 23rd 1884
 time at the mast crop trees to look for whale saw at
 a large ~~ship~~ under the Bows caught another ~~ship~~
 Afternoon saw a ship to leeward Evening carried
 away jib ~~and~~ fore top gallant stay Wednesday 24th
 Wind S course east Forenoon cloudy with a fresh wind
 Afternoon wind continued fresh Thursday 25th
 Wind SW course S by E Morning wind high with a
 rough sea Afternoon about 3 a heavy squall from
 westward took in all sail but close reefed main top
 Friday 26th fair Wind East course S by E
 Sat 27th Wind ~~East~~ Forenoon Afternoon
 Repeat to East A heavy squall Fair saw a
 the wind was very fresh during the day during the ship to leeward
 NE do wind fresh Wind continued Main his
 steadily to a point clear sky to increase do do top
 but increasing course rainy do do top
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 do do Pleasant got down
 29 October Wind fell a dead sea top sail and
 on ship rolling commenced m
 very bad ing " "
 Tue 30th S by W East do Clouds Finised on
 " " " " Wind freshened top and to
 Wed 31st East Nor East Pleasant Pleasant
 all hands do
 The deep deep oceans roar sounds with ceaseless
 And the old ships rock keeps time to its dull mo
 Thu East Nor East clear & pleasant clear & pleasant
 Nov Chow sublime the ocean. It seems that God must have
 made it on purpose to have its continual deep dull
 dull rolling music sounding his praise. O how great are
 thy works O God Tacked ship 10 at night
 E by N with S by S with cloudy cloudy
 Far from home and all its pleasures on the ocean bed
 seeing in it Gods own wonders. And his sailing in the storm
 18 days and no land seen yet nothing but the
 blue sky above and the ceaseless roar of the ocean below

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 Wind Course Forenoon Afternoon Sails
 E by N S by S with Pleasant cloudy but pleasant
 in the morning saw a ship and a trip to leeward about 4 miles
 here pleasant it is to see a sail on the deep blue sea
 Their snowy canvas as it is flung to the breeze tells of
 of purity above. But how often do we find a good outside cover
 a degraded heart the snowy canvas of beauty covers a heart of pollution
 E by N S by E pleasant the wind was fresh and strong
 About 10 past saw a whale to leeward and the cry
 of there she blows soon brought all hands on
 deck The officers were all in the rigging but it proved to be
 nothing but a line back and we turned in with our fingers in our mouths
 E by N S by E Pleasant continued pleasant
 About 1/2 The cry of there she blows aroused every one
 The whale about 3 mls to windward all was in a hurry the
 boats were soon got ready and about 12 a sperm of 80 lbs
 Lay to under top gallant and jib. Do got aboard 3 o'clock
 Cut in whale. All hands were called at 5 and we commenced
 cutting in a hole was cut in the head and a hook inserted
 and a large tackle called a cutting fall made fast to the main top
 and the hook at the head about 8 evening finished cutting in
 and the blowing at the windlass a large piece was sawed called a blanket piece
 Lay to during the day calm forenoon and afternoon and a clear sky
 Set the head on deck and bailed out the case which
 contained about 13 lbs about 4 lighted the fires and
 commenced trying out the blubber being cut with spades and knives
 Lay to under top gallant & cloudy Equally with light showers
 of rain falling at intervals and blew quite fresh from the E by E
 Continued trying out but making rather slow progress for
 it is a new and novel Pleasant Pleasant
 Lay to while trying in the head and bailing the case on
 Continued trying out English big paper steam showers
 American English and private Signals she did the same
 Lay to Pleasant Pleasant
 Finished trying out at evening made sail on the
 ship steering S by E wind at E by E running for Cape
 Verde Island
 Great S by E Cloudy Rainy
 In the afternoon it rained hard with a fresh wind from
 the Northwest