

Ship St Peter Tuesday July 22 Continued 1851
Just at that time Mr. J. saw some whales coming down from the windward and he laid the boat around in a little less than no time and fastened to a large whale head and head he sounded heavy taking most of our line but he soon came up and Mr. J. fastened as soon as he broke with 2 iron, then the lances into him strong and had shouting thick blood before we had our line hauled in. We got up and lanced him a few times and our iron drove then we had to pull for a long spell again for the whale running and we were obliged to set our sail to keep up. We were just going on a gain about sunset when the whale went down again taking out all the line and bending on ours took near all of that making in all nearly 5 or 6 fathoms of line at 8:00 and it was after dark before we got it hauled in again. Then sounded several times taking out a hundred fathoms of line and for about an hour that they did not know whether to cut or not a word from either would have been as good as a key. After while however he got still so that we could lance him. Mr. J. worked loose whale and we held on line have all the line for our boat. It was as dark as pitch and all we could see of the whale would be a white eye. Still we held on and picked it into him till about 10 o'clock when he ran fin out and our job was done. Mr. Ryder came from the ship to see how we got along but finding all right went aboard again. We then pitched 2 irons in his back and towed him alongside at 1/2 past 11 Eve. At 12 o'clock down every thing and set the watch. A hand in a watch. Mr. Ryder took his whale along with him.
Wednesday July 23
Pleasant weather and light winds commenced cutting at daylight and finished at 1/2 past 6 Eve in a shower of rain. A Barque has been in sight all day. Half watches at night.
Thursday July 24 Lat 43° 45' N
A low a half a gale of wind and rained powerfully most of the day. But in the small whale and commenced towing at 6 P.M. stood off to the eastward to keep clear of land and close under our lee with a very strong current setting in shore at the rate of 3 miles per hour.
Friday July 25th
Equally with strong winds. Continued boiling stood at
Saturday July 26th
Still equally. Finished boiling at 6 P.M. and washed decks pumped ship &c.
Sunday July 27th Lat 40° 0'
Pleasant weather and fresh breeze, standing S.W. Boiled fat lean, cleaned the jars, &c. Towards night cleaned the pots.
Monday July 28th
In the morning had moderate breeze and pleasant weather but in the afternoon it came on squally with fresh winds from S.W. standing close hauled S.E. Overhauled the wheel ropes and shades. Roped the main topgallant sail but from 11 o'clock till 8 P.M. double reefed fore topsail at sunset. Repaired the bit post.
Tuesday July 29th
Equally with strong winds from S.W. Tacked at 6 A.M. and stood S.W. Shifted several casks of oil to windward to trim ship. Afternoon light winds. Lat 37° 45' N and 38° 0' N

Ship St Peter Wednesday July 30th Coast 1851
This morning we were going to stow down the oil but the weather came on squally and it was put off. The weather cleared up at 8 A.M. and was fine during the day with fresh winds steering S.W. by W. I made paddles for water boat. Afternoon coopered oil casks for stowing.
Thursday July 31st
Stowed 80 bbls of oil in the fore hold on the larboard side. Pleasant weather with moderate breezes steering S.W. by W.
Friday August 1st
Broke out on the starboard side and stowed down 60 bbls of oil, filling the ground tier and a few riders under the forecabin. Finished at 4 P.M. and cleaned the decks. Moderate breezes and fine weather steering S.W. by W. Made sail at 1/2 past 6 P.M. Single reef fore and main topsails.
Saturday Aug 2nd Lat 41° 14' N
Fresh winds and pleasant weather steering S.W. Turned reef out of fore and main topsails and set main topgallant sail and flying jib at 6 A.M. Took in main topgallant sail and fly jib at 7 P.M. Ferguson fell over the yard while furling the sail but caught the sheet and saved himself. At 8 set the sail again but at 11 took a heavy squall and was obliged to take it in and double reef topsails. The remainder of the day was squally. Took up the stop cask from which I got 2 prs. Crowdy 1 pr. salt. P.M.
Sunday Aug 3rd Lat 43° 30' N
Steered S.W. by W. with a strong breeze from S.W. by E. with main topgallant sail and flying jib set. Tacked at sunset and stood S.W. by W. Towards night it came on to blow hard took in light sail and double reefed. Tacked ship at 8 P.M. and stood S.W. by W.
Monday Aug 4th Lat 45° 00' N
Fine weather with strong breezes steering close hauled S.W. by W. Mr. Ryder made and put in a new coat for the mainmast. Roped the combings around it and done sundry odd jobs. Tacked at sunset and stood to the eastward under topsails.
Tuesday Aug 5th Lat 45° 40' N
It came on to blow so hard that we were obliged to double reef at 10 A.M. The Cabin repaired several fluke chains &c. Got up several casks and repaired them. I made peak chest for waist boat, besides a few other jobs. Were at 6 P.M. and stood eastward.
Wednesday Aug 6th Lat 48° 00' N
Stood S.W. by W. with a good breeze with main topgallant and flying jib set. We kept the main topsail double reefed all the time. Continued repairing casks. At night it came on again double reefed topsails as usual. The current is so strong here we can hardly hold our own under a brist of sail.
Thursday Aug 7th Lat 49° 15' N
In the morning the wind was moderate and weather pleasant. Set main topgallant sail and flying jib. About noon the wind began to freshen and at sunset we had as much as we could stagger under. Took in the topgallant sail and fly jib in the evening. The weather came on squally. Roped a ship at 5 P.M. standing S.W. by W. on the wind. Lighted land at 7. Tacked at 8 P.M. and stood S.W. by W.