

Ship St. Peter Wednesday December 3rd 1841
Out in the whale and continued hauling light winds
pleasant weather standing to the westward

Thursday Deer 4th
This morning it came on to rain and was obliged to
down till 8 o'clock when it cleared up so that the work
was started again and finished hauling at noon all
the starboard. The weather holds pleasant with light winds
standing to the westward Ship Brandt hauled up to leeward

Friday Deer 5th
Broke out the fore between decks and got out 16 bundles
of shooks besides a set of bars for the Ship Brandt.
Hauled the Barge Maria Capn Moore and at 10 A.M.
lowered the waist boat and pulled Capn. A long boat
she is now 20 m out with 300 sperm. Brought 11 bbls of
oil and took it aboard. Dried Sennels island standing
at 11 A.M. In the afternoon it came on nearly calm

Saturday Deer 6th
Calm or nearly so so just wind enough to keep us from drift-
ing on to Denney's island. The Old Maria is a little farther in
shore than we are. However a light breeze sprang up at 11
and we gradually edged off to the N.W. A Barge
ship are in sight ahead and on the lee bow. The ship
struck whales about 4 o'clock P.M. We were unable from the
lightness of the wind to be at the scene of action

Sunday Deer 7th
The main yard was backed in the night but was braced
forward at 6 A.M. and stood off with a light breeze
towards night the Barge U. States and Maria came together
and had a gam. At 9 o'clock the Barge went aboard the main
to carry letters as she is expected to go home soon

Monday Deer 8th
All hands turned up to cooper the oil for stowing
Weather fine with light breeze in the morning and dead
calm in the afternoon. Finished cooping the oil and bro-
ut the after hold taking out the wood & empty barrels

Tuesday Deer 9th
Broke out 63 bbls of meat from the after hold and stowed
down 90 bbls of oil found a few bbls of meat that smell
more like carrion than beef and the "Old man" told the
cook to use that first. I think I will go down rather late

Wednesday Deer 10th
Light and unsteady winds steering North and Eastward
Set up shooks for oil casks in the afternoon. There was a
dead calm but in the evening it came on raining with
squalls

Thursday Deer 11th
Cloudy weather with light and variable winds
holding a course N.W. to N.W. Denney's island is
on the weather quarter about 14 miles distant
We have been about this distance from it for 3 days
gradually drifting to the eastward. After supper
this evening I went off to see about eating the
beef that was broke out for us Tuesday. He was not
surprised this although he appeared to be to pull
the wool over our eyes. He plainly stated to him our
grievances and wants in a respectful manner which
made him rowse up a little telling us how he had
lived on whale and blackfish meat for some time on the
N.W. coast. But this would not go down with us and we
demanded stated allowance. He saw we were in good
earnest so after while concluded to give us good beef
apparently for us to make us up. He had a man at stowing off

Ship St. Peter Friday Deer 12th 1841
Light and variable winds from the south and steering N.W.
In the morning sent down the mainsail and patched it
with thin white cloth. Bent it at 2 P.M. and sent down
the old mizen topsail bending a new one in its place
In the evening took a light squall from the sails in sight

Saturday Deer 13th
Light winds and calms. Had a long spell of swimming
this morning before breakfast. That the fore had for the
first time. We have drifted far to the eastward of the island
in the long calm. I shits have been in sight since the 9th ship Barge

Sunday Deer 14th
Showery with very variable and unsteady winds so that
we are bracing this way and that every few minutes.
The Board and Plates was on our lee quarter at 1
before but they stood off to the southward and were
out of sight at 4 P.M. Had a turn of the sick headache

Monday Deer 15th
Cloudy weather with light and variable winds
Began the week's work by putting on missing rattles
on the main and mizen rigging and a few other light
jobs. Evening was equally till 11 o'clock. Lighter land at 11 o'clock

Tuesday Deer 16th
Fine weather with moderate breezes from W. Steering S.W.
Turned bungs trapped for sheet blocks. At 4 P.M. a Barge
passed 5 miles to windward. Supposed to be the Clarion of N.W.
Took a light squall at sunset from the N.W. Cashed ship
and stood N.W. Wood was taken quite ill this morning

Wednesday Deer 17th
Moderate and variable winds steering close hauled about
N.W. Fitted futtock shrouds to the mizen topmast
rigging on the weather side. The weather is cloudy with
few squalls. Parted the main top sail sheet rail and
brought ship at 8 o'clock this morning. The wind was
baffling all day. Coiled a new line for the starboard boat

Thursday Deer 18th
Generally with baffling winds standing to the westward
It rained hard most of the afternoon and evening
holding a course due N. when the wind would allow it
Took in light sail at noon

Friday Deer 19th
Steered S.W. till noon when we made Cow Island
and kept off to N.W. Repaired starboard futtock shrouds
to the mizen rigging. At 4 P.M. hauled on the winch with
the starboard tack aboard steering N.W. all sent set

Saturday Deer 20th
Stood in to the westward with a moderate breeze from W.
W. saw a sail on the lee quarter. At noon tacked and stood
N.W. At 3 P.M. tacked, hauled up her mainsail
backed her main and down boats. We immediately kept
off thinking she was after whales but getting down
there found it was getting but blackfish. However
we ran for her stern and read Hector. Warren
passed the usual compliments and Capn. Cole
sent aboard 400 sperm. 14 m out. She is
just out of N.W. and brings some news such as
the recovery of the John Franklin expedition
the race between the English and American ships
from Canton. She brings a report of the loss of the
Barge Dolphin on the coast of Africa and the
destruction of the Barge Bark in the Indian Sea