

Ship St. Peter off the Seychelle Islands

Wednesday April 24th 1850

Light wind St. E. cruising for whales to the E of the bank many fathoms in sight

Thursday April 25th
Light wind & calm fathoms, no long & land in sight Lat 4 35 56 30

Friday April 26th
Light breeze St. E. cruising in the light E of the bank Lat 4 33

Saturday April 27th
Light breeze St. E. by the wind E. N. E. many fathoms in sight in the evening. Saw a large sperm whale close to the ship the moon was about an hour high down with one boat & started at him but did not get fast. Lat 4 26 57 10

Sunday April 28th
Fresh gales St. E. & squalls of rain sulphur bottoms in sight No Whales

Monday April 29th
First part fresh breeze & squalls latter calm saw a shoal of sperm whales (just off the boat) shot the run of them from the ship & got none

Tuesday April 30th
Light wind the sun an hour high saw whales again got to them at dusk latter chased blackfish & got none Lat 4 53 56 40

Wednesday May 1st
At 4 P.M. light wind St. E. saw sperm whales 1/2 mile off down boat & got one from partly in & away latter saw whales again but could not get near them Lat 5 10 56 52

Thursday May 2nd
Light wind & calm saw sulphur bottoms &c Lat 5 17 56 54

Friday May 3rd
Light breeze from S. steering N. W. Lat 5 3 56 32

Saturday May 4th
Light breeze St. W. steering to the N. Lat 4 58

Sunday May 5th
Light breeze N. at 9 A.M. saw the land to the E. Lat 4 38 Long 56 34

Monday May 6th
Light winds from N. E. to W. N. W. Lat 4 25 56 58

Tuesday May 7th
Light winds from W. N. W. to St. E. & showers of rain thunder lightning &c

Wednesday May 8th
Fresh breeze St. E. heading to the N. Lat 4 20

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Thursday May 9th 1850

First part fresh breeze St. E. wind squally latter much the same Lat 5 19 56 23

Friday May 10th
Strong breeze St. E. & rugged splat the ship in a squall Lat 5 4 some thunder & lightning

Saturday May 11th
Strong breeze St. E. & squalls of rain

Sunday May 12th
Fresh breeze St. E. steering W. N. W. Lat 10 A.M. saw the land Lat 4 41 Long 56 35

Monday May 13th
Strong breeze St. E. & squally land in sight Lat 4 14 56 30

Tuesday May 14th
Fine breeze St. & fine weather land in sight Lat 4 —

Wednesday May 15th
Wind from St. E. to St. W. & fine weather land in sight Dennis Pk. 1/2 15 M. Lat 3 50

Thursday May 16th
Light wind St. W. to St. E. & pleasant at 3 P.M. put off the boat for whales took one to each boat (3) at 8 1/2 took the last one along side latter part cut them in one sail in sight Lat 3 42

Friday May 17th
Light wind & calm empyetoe boiling 3 sail in sight Lat 3 43

Saturday May 18th
Light breeze from S. one breeze & the land in sight Lat 3 44 56 25

Sunday May 19th
Fine breeze St. E. land in sight at 8 A.M. passed by Columbus Lat 3 31

Monday May 20th
Fine breeze St. E. kept off W. N. W. at 10 passed Dennis Pk. spoke brig Columbus has taken 40 bbl whale since spoke him latter a ship to land

Tuesday May 21st
Fine breeze St. E. cruising off Dennis Pk. the ship & brig in sight

Wednesday May 22nd
Light winds St. E. cruising for whales land in sight Lat 3 42

Thursday May 23rd
Light breeze St. E. the land & brig in sight Lat 3 42 Long 56 22

Friday May 24th
Light breeze St. E. slowed down the oil 53 bbls Lat 4 — Long 56 17

Saturday May 25th
Light winds St. E. & pleasant cruising in the light Lat 4 3 56 43

Sunday May 26th
Light winds St. at 11 saw sperm whales took 1/2 & sent one in Lat 4 30 56 40