

Taking a few Whales off Kodiak
Kodiak Is. in sight bearing about N. by E.

561 Tuesday June 27th 1854

Commenced very pleasantly at 1 in the afternoon lowered for
whale. The Waist boat struck and the Starboard boat down the
second boat Mr. Cockman went up and killed him and got the
boat stove very bad not so badly broken however so but they can
keep her free by bailing. Broke through above water
and split 6 boards. Took the whale to the ship and

finished cutting at 9 in the evening when it set in rain. Wind E.
About 9 in the morning lowered for other whales. The Waist boat down
struck again. Turned him up after a while and he sunk some land
and all. This was a great disappointment to all. Returned at noon
It was thought to be Mr. Cropper chance to go on to the whale
but it was said that Mr. Bell crowded him off so when they came
on board they went below to talk it over and they not only
talked it over but the Captain and Bell liked to fight over
it. Captain commenced hostilities by throwing a plate at his head
and then grabbed him by the throat. I do not know as he hurt
him. This is Old Barlowe's way of settling all difficulties.

562 Boiling Wednesday June 28th

Commenced raining but there was whales in sight so we
lowered but could not fasten. The morning dawned beau-
tifully and the Ocean was full of whales in every direction.
Placed two boats with the watch in the morning and the
Starboard boat struck slightly but soon drewed.
Returned and took breakfast and lowered all the boats
and the Waist boats struck another and after running
and dounding over two hours the line parted and he
was off. The boats returned at 10 and at 11 started again
about half way between Kodiak and Montagna Island.

563 Boiling Thursday June 29th

Another beautiful day and though we are so near the down
covered mountains the thermometer stood at 63 in the shade.
What little wind there is blows from the N. W.
The boats returned about 2 in the afternoon. It is too still
to catch whales. Lowered the Starboard boat twice for
whales near the ship but could not shoot them. Finished cutting
up the 11th back of shock heads marked 15 to 29 had to
repair nearly all putting in lining staves, leaving off
rotten staves and making new heads. Made out to get
out of the water 15 in a couple of hours.

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Between Kodiak and Montagna Islands

564 Friday June 30th 1854

The first part very pleasant. Wind E. in the afternoon lowered
the Starboard boat for a couple of whales and the Waist boat
called the watch and sent the other two Starboard boats to her
assistance. The Starboard boat undergoing repairs. It so happened
they could not help them as the watch never stops for a minute off
the ship. They held on till 8 in the evening when their iron
on deck and they returned to the ship very tired and disappointed.
After a good sleep I was awakened by the watch at 1 of some
one and soon found that the Old One was at work again. It
seems the Starboard boat was a little dandy to the Starboard
while the boats was off and was reported to the Captain and he
corrected him at this late hour 10 at night and sent him to the
main deck for several hours. I do not know how long 2 or 3
days in the morning lowered again and the Bow boat fastened
before they went down. but they too ran to the windward; the
other boats in the end. I went about through bailing.

565 Worked off deck Saturday July 1st 1854

At 2 in the afternoon the boats returned after being fast about
6 hours. The line was supposed to have been cut by the lance
which was thrown in the wheelbarrow to bring him but it
only served to drive them faster. Lowered again at 3 and
the Waist boat fastened and they pulled for him till 5 in the
evening and cut from him as he gave no chance to kill.
This cruel after wounding them so but then be obliged to
let them go but there is a sick. Last part raining.
The Captain was late in the morning and was all treated
with some of his old crew. It was pretty in a fine day and
kept well. When he had lost his piece I could not wish him
a long life as I wished for I think it would be wisest to
with a man of his character a long life. But he wished for
a better man in my mind and he never will have my
joy until he is a better man. While I was eating my
dinner I heard them a terrible death in the rain. I
decided to help them. I scribbled one down and a half in
the rain and then left it for the other watch to finish.
When they come on deck they scrubbed an hour and were
off. I believed in a clean ship but this is too much. I suppose
it is very happy to clean or having no scrubbed probably adds to
being too and a few mainstays and storm sails. What do you