1019 Friday September 28th 1855

The wind blows fresh and raggd but it does not prevent us from steaming down" put 20 bbls on the Larboard side against the Starage bulkhead and set about 50 bbls forward the Blubberroom

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The Captain says if he can get one more he will go straight home from the Islands Good

The Captain has concluded to consult the Mens terms and give them two pots of molasses for their duff. He sent them a quarter of a sheep the other day. The first the voyage

1020 Saturday September 29th

We have seen more of the sun and stars than we have seen before for a month but the wind has been a gale from the S.E. to the and raggd

Have seen as many as 12 sperm whales and shall try to catch one as soon as the weather will permit

All hands are very anxious to do do for an chance to go home

1021 Sunday September 30th

A plenty of whales in sight in every direction but the weather was cold with a bad sea and the men grumbled at the thought of lowering for them. But after breakfast concluded to try them

The Mate's boat fastened but he ran away with her after. Night had set him to spouting the blood. He showed several chances to kill him but he didn't quit thicken the blood.

The boats returned at noon and took dinner in a hurry and went The weather moderated somewhat but closed till 5 when the Mate boat fastened. The Captain Dan got fast and set him to spouting thick blood the first dance. Thought the same thing Don't hurry. Got him along side at 7 but it took us hours to get the flukes chain on. Our friends and neighbors that we have been visiting the Sabbath day. The wind blew fresh from morning till night. The hardest thing have the voyage

1022 Monday October 1st 1855

Commenced cutting our whale at 8 O'clock and finished at noon (excepted the tongue) The Mate made a bitt for cutting the ice is stiff and solid as rock. Had a decided hail squall while at work on the whale. Plenty of petrels round but rather rough for catching them. Setting up a (and having distance) line of pipe staves which are marked very correctly (and the bottom 24") 6 to 60 — pretty good. The Captain has tried hard to make a road but could not find sufficient measure. He is taking a little too much of the dudeen to be very consistent. Getting ready to start the work

1023 Tuesday October 2nd

Wonderful work! After breakfast Mr Williams took the Starboard boat and started for whales with the Mate boat for an assistant. The loin fastened to a fullow when a loose one stove stove in 6 strakes so the boat soon sank. The mate boat arrived in time to save the men and let water boat and bank her line on Mr Williams and let the other go with a drag as he hardly brought to and spouted the blood from the friend. Sent Mr Bakman from the ship for another whale but while he was trying to pick up the line the whale started to the windward at rate rate speed. The bright have fastened to him if he had let the line alone

Took the Starboard boat in and set to work to have my thanks and help the Carpenter repair her After dinner launched 3 boats for more whales (Thanks to) Captain Harding Mr Williams and Mr Cornish Lancaster the Lumper. They returned at dark without getting nearer to fastening though Prince and Williams fastened and darted at one thinking the bright back in but was too far off. Soon after the boats returned the Captain Dan came down and gave Prince with a what of the Carpenters without saying a word to anything. [illegible]