

Nov 2d - Cloudy. Starboard watch ashore in the afternoon. Handed
at intervals all day and night.

Nov 3d - Cloudy, light baffling winds. 11 A.M. calm. Hove up our
anchor, the pilot came aboard, and seven boats towed us out
of the passage and the pilot left us. Shortly after we found
that the ship was drifting towards a reef, and lowered
two boats and towed till we got a light wind which fresh-
ened into a cracking breeze at sunset, heading about S. E. by
S. The man we took off Perou's island was left behind at
his own request, and Capt. Martin shipped in his stead as man
discharged from the ship Desdemona.

Nov 4th - Light breeze, S. E. by S. Wet hold. Broke out beef. Lat.
12.7

Nov 5th - Strong breeze, S. E. by S. About 8 P.M. raised a large laryne
four points off our lee bow. He riled up courses, set a light
and ran off to speak him. But finding that we were a
whaleman he doused his lights and ran. Had we been so dis-
posed we could easily have caught him, as we sailed near-
ly two feet to his one. Mbu 1.2.5. Mpick N. 1.0.5.

Nov 6th - Light wind, S. E. by S. Carpenter at work on new davits. R. put
new main topsail. S. by E. Lat. 37 m. Mbu 1.2.5. Mpick N. 1.0.5.

Nov 7th - Light wind, S. E. by S. raised a sail to leeward, and soon
after discovered her to be whaling. Squared the yards and
kept off for her. A few minutes more and we saw all her
boat, also that she was trying out. About 1/2 past 9 we raised
the whale, galled, going eyes out to windward. We luffed.