

A Journal kept on board of the *Sharon* of Fairhaven
Cruising on the north west
Wednesday July 3. 1844

This 24 hours fresh breeze from Southern and Central foggy and rainy finished
boiling at 11 AM. At 11.30 we started for whales that boat fastened and got
down and some a boat fastened to the line but the whale
ran to the wind and being thick weather had to cut from him

Thursday July 4. 1844

This 24 hours first part foggy at 11 AM fine weather with a light breeze
2 for whales without success all hands busy in steering down lat by 44
Lat 46.00

Friday July 5

This 24 hours first part light breeze later part fresh breeze and foggy at 11
AM. At 11.30 we started for whales with the second boat at 11.45 we started again the same
all hands busy in steering down lat by 44

Saturday July 6

This 24 hours a heavy gale from N. at 3 AM the ship pitched heavy and
lost the flying jib and carried away the flying jibboom and whale
line

Sunday July 7

This 24 hours first part fresh breeze later part light breeze at 11 AM we started for
whales boat went on and fastened and killed took him along
side at 11.30 Lat by 44.36 Long 142.06

Monday July 8

This 24 hours fine weather at 11 AM commenced cutting finished at 1.30 PM
and started the work 3 sails in sight one a cutting

Tuesday July 9

This 24 hours light breeze from N. at 11 AM we started for whales 11.30
boat went on and did not fasten all hands busy in boiling 2 sails in
sight 10

Wednesday July 11

This 24 hours light breeze at 11 AM we started for whales without success all hands
busy in boiling 4 sails in sight 5.30 spoke the Main of Fairhaven saw
a newton ship strike a whale he ran them out of sight of us had to cut
from him at dusk saw the boat going aboard

Thursday July 11

This 24 hours light breeze fine weather finished boiling at 11.30 AM we started for
whales boat went on and missed 2 ships in sight

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Friday July 12. 1844

This 24 hours light breeze and fine weather busy in starting down at 11.30
we started for whales that boat went on and fastened and saw to the windward
at last the Boat boat got to him and fastened and he cut the boat in
two pieces Starboard boat brought the crew to the ship being about 4 miles
from the ship the west boat being left alone had to cut from him and
come a head several ships in sight so ends this 24 had luck

Saturday July 13

This 24 hours fine weather finished starting down at 11.30 AM we started for whales 3 times at
6 PM that boat went on and fastened but dark cut from him some a head
did not kill him

Sunday July 14

This 24 hours light breeze from E. we started for whales several times Starboard boat
went on and missed get none several ships in sight some a cutting at 11.30

Monday July 15

This 24 hours first part fresh breeze from N. and foggy later part was light took a
whale to the ship but thought he was not worth saving and let him go
one ship in sight saw several whales

Tuesday July 16

This 24 hours fresh breeze from N. in evening saw 2 whales
without success several ships in sight

Wednesday July 17

This 24 hours light breeze with variable and foggy by spells 2 sails in sight
saw humpbacks

Thursday July 18

This 24 hours fresh breeze and foggy by spells at 11.30 AM we started for whales 11.30
to the ship and commenced cutting at 1.30 PM finished did not save his
throat nor his leg had fall out before we took him to the ship

Friday July 19

This 24 hours heavy wind from N. W. with rain and foggy by spells busy in
boiling at 4 PM being very heavy so we could not boil and we heard
the Main of Fairhaven was beaten or gone

Saturday July 20

This 24 hours light breeze from Southern and western steering by the wind to
the Southern we started at 11.30 AM we started for whales boat went on and missed
one sail in sight Lat by 44.36 Long 142.06