

Bergue Shepherd's Bay

Thursday May 9th

Corn with light breeze from N.E. and clear
and weather saw one polar whale went
in to the ice saw none of him broke
out the fore hold stowed down 15 bbls oil
stowed last in to the ice saw nothing
tacked ship heading to the northward with
saw thousands of polar whale got fast to one
hull and sunk last 600 fathoms
of line by the collar of the water
I thought they was about 80 fathoms
of water but there is over 200 fathoms
some had said more lines went off got fast
hull he run about 8 miles in to the ice
before he turned up round the ship in to it
took him long side stowed in sight
in the ice Thus Ends No Order
By Sec let 60.50 long 179.35

Friday May 10th

Corn with light breezes from South
improved cutting in the whale ice all round
the ship plenty of whale in sight
ship in among so much ice it was not
safe to haul got the whale out in cleared
up deck the weather so cold the scuttles
but froze up middle and last part fresh breezes
from South attended with plenty of snow
saw plenty of whale Thus Ends No Order
By Sec let 60.55 long 179.45

Saturday May 11th

Corn with fresh breezes from South broke out
fore hold stowed down 20 bbls oil tacked fore
whale got fast to one took him long side
in sight Thus Ends No Order
By Sec let 61.00 long 179.50

Whaling To the Southward of Cape Mearns

Sunday May 12th

Corn with light breeze from N.E. all
hands employed cleaning fore middle and
last part light gales from N.E. broke out the
fore hold stowed down 105 bbls oil saw polar
whale to ruff to line Thus Ends
let 61.17 long 178.50

Monday May 13th

Corn with strong breezes from N.E. got the
oil stowed down ahead up deck warehouse
heading to the Eastward with saw plenty
of whale close to the ice some took
one long side Thus Ends
let 61.13 long 179.00

Tuesday May 14th

Corn with fresh breezes from West whale
all round the ship got the whale entire
heading to the Southward saw two ship heading
middle and last part rough weather Ends
let 61.16 long 179.50

Wednesday May 15th

Corn with light gales from West head
ing S.W. three ship in sight at 8 warehouse
heading S.W. last part light gales from S.W.
and foggy stowed the bone in the fore hold
Thus Ends No Order
let 61.18 long 179.00

Thursday May 16th

Corn with light gales from S.W. attended with
foggy two ship in sight saw one steering at 6
checked off the fore hold with oil middle and last
part light breezes from South and thick foggy
Thus Ends No Order
By Sec let 61.41 long 178.50