

Ships Keylocks Logbook, Clement Hammond

1834, Jan 2, Thursday, Lat 40° 25' S
These 24 hours commence with strong winds from N.E. & W. and pleasant weather, under double reef topsail, on different tacks, at sunset took in sail, latter part strong winds from West and rough sea, set double reef topsail, all well on board.

1834, Jan 3, Friday, Lat 39° 33' S
These 24 hours commence with strong gales from the West, under easy sail heading to the Northward, broke out fore hold for broad, at sunset took in sail, nothing in sight, latter part strong gale and rough sea, under easy sail heading N.W. all well on board.

1834, Jan 4, Saturday, No Obs.
These 24 hours commence with moderate winds from N.E. & W. heading N.W. raised some sail, at sunset took in sail, latter part strong winds and rough sea, at daylight made sail, N.E. & W. single reefed the topsail, employed repairing Main & Fore, cloudy & thick.

1834, Jan 5, Sunday, Lat 40° 00' S
These 24 hours commence with strong gales from the N.E. & W. thick, rainy weather, rough sea, double reefed the topsail, at sunset took in sail, latter part strong gale from West, rough sea, and pleasant weather under close reef Main topsail, and reef Fore sail, saw one Whale.

1834, Jan 6, Monday, Lat 39° 50' S
These 24 hours commence with strong winds from the Westward, rough sea and pleasant, took a reef out of Fore sail, one out of Main topsail, set close reef Fore and Main topsail, and Main sail, latter part moderate winds and cloudy, at daylight made all sail, Fairbairns in sight.

1834, Jan 7, Tuesday, Lat 40° 57' S
These 24 hours commence with strong winds from N.E. & W. bent a new Main topsail, and shifted the Fore topsail, at sunset double reefed the topsail, latter part fresh breeze, at daylight, N.E. & W. double reefed the topsail, took in Main sail, blowing fresh.

1834, Jan 8, Wednesday, Lat 41° 14' S
These 24 hours commence with strong gales from the Westward, squally, rough sea, took in Fore and Main topsail, Feb. close reef Main topsail heading to the Northward, at midnight took in the Fore sail, latter part strong gale, heavy sea and pleasant weather, saw one Ship lying to, heading to the Southward.

1834, Jan 9, Thursday
These 24 hours commence with strong gales from the Westward, rough sea, set the Fore sail, heading to the Northward, nothing in sight.

Master, a Whaling, in North Atlantic Ocean.

1834, Jan 10, Friday, No Obs.
Latter part rather more moderate, set close reefed and Main topsail, at daylight, at noon set fore and Main sail, single reef topsail, employed repairing old Fore topsail, & all well, nothing in sight.

1834, Jan 11, Saturday, Lat 39° 05' S
These 24 hours commence with fresh breeze from the Northward and flying clouds, steering to the Westward on a wind, latter part strong breeze and thick weather.

1834, Jan 12, Sunday, Lat 39° 55' S
These 24 hours commence with thick weather and somewhat moderate made sail, spoke Ship Thorn, Sag harbor, 1900 lbs of Oil, at sunset reefed our topsail, latter part very moderate winds from the Eastward and flying clouds, went on board Ship Thorn, and obtained some Broad, Beef, Pork, &c.

1834, Jan 13, Monday, Lat 39° 57' S
These 24 hours commence with strong winds from the Eastward with rain, steering West, at sunset double reefed topsail, latter part strong gale from the Westward, close reefed the topsail heading to the Southward, nothing in sight.

1834, Jan 14, Tuesday, Lat 40° 50' S
These 24 hours commence with strong breeze from the Westward, tucked Ship to the North, let one reef out of Fore and Main topsail, set the fore saw, Fairbairns, latter part moderate winds and cloudy weather, made all sail steering to the Westward, saw a Ship off our beam, nothing in sight, all well on board.

1834, Jan 15, Wednesday, Lat 40° 50' S
These 24 hours commence with moderate winds from the Northward, spoke and boarded Ship, Fairbairns, of Fairbairns, 750 lbs of Sperm Oil, and 750 lbs Whales, bound home, all well, latter part moderate winds from the Westward, all sail set steering to the Westward and Westward, employed repairing Main topsail.

1834, Jan 16, Thursday
These 24 hours commence with strong winds from West, N.W. & W. rough sea, double reefed our topsail, wore Ship to North and Westward, unhooked the old Main topsail, bent another, took in fore Main sail, latter part moderate winds and flying clouds, all sail set, saw a Whale at daylight, lowered the boat and fastened to him, Fairbairns boat got foul line, cut, Waste boat cut by misunderstanding.

1834, Jan 17, Friday
These 24 hours commence with strong winds and rough sea, lowered the boat and hooked a Whale to Waste boat, took him along side and cut part of him in by dark, set the waste again, at daylight blowing a gale of winds with rain, latter part strong gales from East lying to, under close reef the topsail and Main sail.