

Thursday January 17 1887

This day commences with strong northerly winds steering S.W. we saw one seal at night took in line by a boat reefed at 9 P.M. At Spencer in the straits heading W. latter part the same.

Monday 18

Strong westerly winds with a heavy swell steering on these winds saw one seal &c.

Tuesday 19

Strong winds from the westward steering on the wind. Middle part lighter winds but a heavy swell saw one seal off our weather saw at night & latter part wind on weather the same.

Wednesday 20

Light winds clear sky no snow or fimbriae at sundown took in sail & reefed single reef topsails at daylight made sail steering S.W. at six P.M. hoisted for hinders & without success.

Thursday 21

Fine weather wind S.W. steering S.W. in the fore strong breeze and latter part the same.

Friday 22

Commences with this breezy weather with some run wind. At 11 P.M. by under single reef topsails saw a great number of birds &c.

Saturday 23

Wind to the eastward steering different courses at four P.M. speak the ship *Cherokee* of a Fairhaven Capt. Rice. Commenced hoisting.

Monday January 24 1887

First part fine weather at seven P.M. speak the ship *Cherokee* of a Fairhaven five months out when received the letters & latter part steering by the wind with a strong breeze from the S.W. &c.

Tuesday 25

Commences with a strong northerly wind steering to the westward at 9 P.M. struck into blue water saw porpoises. No light air.

Wednesday 26

Light winds with rain saw porpoises and a sunfish & jumpers, finches &c. at 10 A.M. speak the ship *Cherokee* 65 days out and whale.

Thursday 27

Fine weather steering S.W. saw finches, coral & porpoises, saw smelt, seal.

Friday 28

At two P.M. speak the ship *Cherokee* of a Fairhaven 8 months out 40 lbs. &c. fine weather but no whales.

Saturday 29

Light air from the S.W. steering to the S. saw the ship *Cherokee* off our weather saw two porpoises &c.

Sunday 30

Fine weather but no fish of any consequence at 6 P.M. speak the ship *Cherokee* of a Fairhaven 8 months out & heavy swell from the S.W. steering by the wind to the S.W. wind. At 11 P.M. speak the ship *Cherokee* of a Fairhaven. Commences with fine weather, latter part the same &c.