

1855 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound on a full sail steering N.W. by N. Engaged in ship's duties. Middle part luffed up to N. by N. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Friday February 9th 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. and E. ship under full sail steering from N. by W. to N.W. by W. Saw a sail. Middle part saw grampuses. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday February 10th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. by E. ship under full sail, steering N.W. by N. 1/2 N. All hands engaged in ship's duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sunday February 11th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship under full sail steering N.W.W. Middle part wind shifted to E. N. E. ship steering N. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Monday February 12th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. ship under full sail steering W. Last night saw in the middle watch what was supposed to be a light vessel hauled aboard the main yard but at daylight could see nothing, braced forward and proceeded on our way. Supposed to be a star.

All hands employed in mending the mainsail. At 12 A.M. luffed the ship up to N.W. by N. Latter part beat the mainsail. So ends this day.

Tuesday February 13th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E. by S. ship under full sail steering W. All hands employed in mending the foresail. Middle part luffed to N.W. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Sherrin Whaling Cruise. Tho. A. Fisher Mast. Wednesday February 14th 1855

At daylight this morning raised Orea High island bearing E.S.E. by 10 o'clock came up with it and took a boat ashore to trade for chickens and wood. Mr. Caswell got a barrel of wood, a few chickens and eggs. Whilst trading, spoke the ship Spedwell Capt. Lipp, 50 bbls. sperm this cruise; at four o'clock Capt. Fisher went aboard and staid till eight o'clock. When he returned, braced forward steering N.W. So ends this day.

Thursday February 15th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship under full sail steering N.W.W. Sail in sight at 12 A.M. braced round steering W.S.W. All hands engaged in ship's duties. At 4 P.M. saw a school of killers; lowered away the boats, but chased without success. So ends this day.

Friday February 16th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the E.N.E. ship under full sail steering W.S.W. Looked out for water about 2 P.M. saw Peabacks. Luffed up to S.S.E. Latter part the same. So ends this day.

Saturday February 17th 1855

Made the land this morning at daylight bearing N.W. by N. At 8 A.M. canoes came off to trade pigs, fowls etc. The captain got their stuff of them for muskels and tobacco. Three Englishmen came off in boats belonging to the whaling big "Sigs" of New Bedford which was taken at this island 3 years since. At 1 P.M. took our departure steering N. wind E.N.E. So ends this day.

Sunday February 18th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship under full sail steering N.W. by N. All hands employed in ship's duties. Middle and latter part the same. So ends this day.