

1855 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising
Thursday June 7th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the S.E. ship under all sail steering S.E. Spoke the Young Phoenix Capt. Tolan, 1 whale this season. Storm has caused the loss of the Edgar of Good Spring in Jones island. Packed ship several times latter part cleared up. To end this day.

Friday June 8th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the W. by S. ship under all sail steering S. by W. Cleared up the mizzen topgallant mast and sail and foretopgallant sail this morning. Storm times tagged ship. Middle and latter part cleared up. To end this day.

Saturday June 9th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the S.E. ship under all sail steering S.E. At 3 P.M. spoke the ship 'Brimswell' of Dartmouth Capt. Butler 2 whales and had a line gun. Also spoke the French ship 'Justine' of Havre and the junior Capt. Andrews of N.B. Clear. Latter part took in sail. To end this day.

Sunday June 10th 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and, rugged weather from the W. N.W. ship under moderate sail steering S.W. by S. Thick fog and rain. Spoke the Washington Capt. Holey 2 whales. To end this day.

Monday June 11th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship under full sail steering N.W. by E. Spoke the 'Cambria' Capt. Rose clear. Packed ship several times. In the ice. Middle and latter part the same. To end this day.

Tuesday June 12th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and rainy weather from the E. N.E. ship under moderate sail steering nowhere in particular. Spoke the 'Lydia'

in the Ochotea Sea. The N. Fisher Master of Fairhaven clear. Capt. Leonard. Middle and latter part the same. To end this day.

Wednesday 13 June 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N. N.E. with occasional fog, ship under all sail steering E. by S. Lowered two boats this morning for a white grampus with no success. Spoke the George & Mary Capt. Wacker of New London 6 whales. Saw several ships. Lowered in the afternoon for seals to get their skins for dogs, no success. To end this day.

Thursday 14 June 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the S. by W. ship under all sail steering S.E. by E. Packed ship several times. Saw a bowhead at 3 A.M. but being foggy did not lower. Lowered the larboard boat in the afternoon for seals but no success. In ice. Latter part the same. To end this day.

Friday June 15th 1855.



B.B.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship under moderate sail steering E. Saw whale early this morning and lowered in chase with no success.

Came aboard and got breakfast and lowered again. The bow boat struck a whale and killed him. Got him alongside and cut him in, and lowered again but no success. To end this day.

Saturday June 16th 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.W. by S. ship under all sail steering W. by N. At 4 A.M. saw whales and lowered two boats in chase but no success; lowered twice again during the day with no success. Came aboard at 9 P.M. Started the rocks. Latter part strong breeze; took in light sails. To end this day.