

1855
 Ship Vineyard of Edgartown bound in the
 Monday June 27th 1855
 This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by E. ship under easy sail steering N. by N. Saw the land early this morning. At 5 A.M. saw whales and lowered in chase: chased till noon with no success. Came aboard and got up the chain cable and bent on the anchor. Spoke the bark *David* of New London Ham's, brooked. Saw whales about 2 P.M. and lowered in chase, chased till 9 P.M. with no success, being too late to get out them. Standing off and on to the land. To end this day.

Thursday June 28th 1855.



I.B.

This day commenced with light and variable winds from off the land, ship under all sail standing off and on to the land. Lowered the boats at 3 A.M. and pulled into the land: the larboard boat struck and killed a whale. Towed him to the ship and cut in. Lowered again in chase of whales but no success. To end this day.

Friday June 29th 1855.

This day commenced with moderate sail and foggy weather from the E. by S. ship under easy sail steering N. About 11 A.M. fog cleared up and stood off and on to the land: lowered the boats and pulled into the ice where the larboard boat struck a large whale and lost him with the line: the starboard boat struck again and lost him with the bow boat line. Came aboard and started the whay. Spoke the *Mermaid* William's brooked. Latter part dense fog. To end this day.

Saturday June 30th 1855

This day commenced with strong breezes and foggy weather from the E. by S. ship under short sail standing off and on to the land. Lowered the boats after breakfast and pulled into the ice, but saw nothing. Latter part lowered again no success. To end this day.

1855
 Ochotek Sea. Thomas N. Fisher Mast.
 Sunday July 1st 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the W. by S. ship under easy sail standing off and on to the land. Cleared up at 10 A.M. and lowered the boats and pulled into the land, but saw nothing. Came aboard and stood over to the ice, and lowered again, with no success. Finished trying out. A large number of ships in sight but none killing. To end this day.

Monday July 2nd 1855.

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the N.E. by E. ship under full sail standing off and on to the land. Stopped down. Spoke the bark *Lionel* of N.B. Capt. Fennell 4 whales. At half past four P.M. being thick and raining and near the land, came to anchor at 16 fathoms of water. To end this day.

Tuesday July 3rd 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W. by S. Took the anchor at 6 A.M. and stood out. Lowered the boats and pulled into the land, but saw nothing. Went ashore and got some boat masts. Lowered again and pulled to the ice with the same success. Came alongside and hooked onto the ship and towed her out of the ice. Latter part strong breeze. At 12 P.M. the strong tide came near getting foul of the bark *Lionel*: were obliged to let go the anchor and then bark cleared her. Called all hands and got out the other chains and bent on. Came near collision with the *Pennsylvanian*.

Wednesday July 4th 1855.

This day commenced with strong gales and rainy weather from the N.W. by E. ship at anchor. Middle part the same. At 6 P.M. weather the same, took the anchor and stood along under three close reefed topsails, being fearful of the ice. Having moderated some made the foresail and jib. To end this day.