

Ship Florida off New Bedford

May Monday the 19-18-56

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship steering N by W under whole topsail one sail in sight middle part trying running N by W latter part light breeze from the S ship heading by the wind as with Calcutt tack all sail set so ends this day  
Sat by obs 25-26

Tuesday the 20 Aug 1856  
this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship heading to the E and saw sperm whales lowered the boat but no success one sail in sight middle part laying two latter part light breeze from the S ship heading as with Calcutt tack all sail set so ends this day  
Sat by obs 25-24

Wednesday the 21  
this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship saw sperm whales lowered the boat struck one and took him to the ship and cut him in middle part carrying two latter part light breeze commenced sailing so ends this day  
Sat by obs 25-20

Thursday the 22  
this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship heading on either tack as with Calcutt tack all sail set so ends this day  
Sat by obs 25-19

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Friday the 23

this day commences with light air and variable ship with all sail set finishes boiling and cleared up the decks middle part laying two latter part light breeze from the S ship heading on either tack all sail set one sail in sight so ends this day  
Sat by obs 25-21

Saturday the 24

this day commences with light breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship heading on either tack spoke the ship of the S of Nantucket capt Caswell hands employed in cooping oil middle part ship under short sail latter part light breeze all hands employed in blowing down oil so ends this day

Sunday the 25

this day commences with strong breeze and pleasant weather from the S ship heading in either tack finished blowing down oil feet down 48 barrels and 29 gallons 2 sails in sight middle part laying two latter part strong gale laying two under close reef main topsail and foresail so ends this day

Monday the 26

this day commences with strong gale from the S ship laying two under close reef main topsail and foresail heading in to the fourth one sail in sight middle part laying two under close reef main topsail and foresail latter part moderate gale from the S kept off steering N E by S under whole topsails for Cape Beane so ends this day