

Thursday Sept 18th 1839

Fresh Gale and cloudy squally weather from West, under two double reefed Sails, head S.S.W. at 6 P.M. wore ship to N.W. Middle and Latter part the same, on different tacks, saw whales to suggest to lower the boat, I expect the good weather is about done for this season.

Latitude 57° 21' N. alt,

Friday Sept 19th

Strong breeze and suggest from West, head S.S.W. at 3 P.M. saw St. Pauls Island bearing S.E. at 6 wore ship to N.W. Middle and Latter part more moderate set sail and moved S. Sail, at 10 saw whale lowered the boat but did not see them again, saw two sail, also St. Pauls Island bearing S.E. this morn,

Saturday Sept 20th

Strong wind and suggest cloudy weather, from Westward, under double reefed Sails, head West, at 3 P.M. wore ship to S.W. two sail in sight at 4 P.M. was spoken by Ship Adgevan, Middle part much the same, Latter part more moderate, some rain, at 10 P.M. cleared off, made sail, stayed by the wind S.W. saw no whales, 4 sail in sight, this morn, I am lonely, lonesome, and home sick, and half home sick I like the ship when I have said that I have given up for there is no one on board of her, that I have the least regard for if I get clear this time, if I ever sail with another, I will be because I cannot help it.

Sunday Sept 18th 1839

Moderate breeze from N.E. heavy sail from N.W. all sail set, steering by the wind S.W. at 1 P.M. wore ship to N.W. Middle part much the same,

Latter part at 8 P.M. fog bit a little saw whale, lowered the boat, come in thick, came on board at 10 bit a little so as we could see half a mile at times, lowered again, struck and set the whale to spouting thin sanguine blood, shut down thick fog, at 1 P.M. cut and found the ship, this morn, I have passed a most miserable Sunday, off in the fog most of the day, I never was with a man before but what had some stated rules about whaling, but we have none, get a whale if possible, run all and much more risk than ought to be, but one thing is certain, he (the Capt) will take the best of care that he will be in a good comfortable place, and out of harms way

Monday Sept 19th

Strong breeze and thick fog from N.W. at 3 P.M. a little lowered for whales chased around until dark, and came on board, I have had enough of fog whaling, to day.

Middle part strong breeze,

Latter part fresh breeze and cloudy, at 4 P.M. saw whale lowered the boat no luck, came on board, at 9 lowered again, missed one, came on board at 11:30 lowered again missed two more, that will do for one day.

Latitude 58° 03' N. alt
Longitude 170° 00' W.