

Ship Torton of New Bedford

Thursday April 30th. First part brisk winds from S.W. Steering on different courses in pursuit of the Whales, at 4 P.M. Steered S.E. at sunset took in the Top gallantails and Main Sail, at Daylight made all Sail, latter part winds from S.W. with strong appearances of rain, so ends

Friday May 1st. All these 24 hours moderate winds from the westward and fine weather Steering to the S.E. by S. under Double reefs, through the night,

Saturday May 2nd. Commences with moderate winds from the S. Steering S.E. by S. at 2 P.M. saw a Sperm Whale and lowered 3 Boats at sunset returned to the Ship without success and shortened Sail, at 6 Am. made all Sail at 9 So. saw Sperm Whales and lowered 3 Boats, at 11 the Starboard Boat fastened at Noon returned to the Ship, so ends

Sunday May 3rd. First light winds from the S.E. Steering to the Eastward by the wind, latter part Calm, so ends

Monday May 4th. Commences with light winds from the S.S.W. and overcast Steering S.E. by S. all Sail set at sunset shortened Sail and headed to the Westward, latter part winds from S.S.W. to W.S.W. Steering on different courses to the Northward until the close Mizen and bent a Spanker thick weather ends the Day No obs.

Tuesday May 5th. First part light winds from S.S.W. and rainy Steering S.E. by S. Middle heading to the S.E. under short Sail, latter part moderate winds from S.E. and fine weather, at 7 Am. saw Sperm Whales and lowered 3 Boats, at 9 So. the L. Boat fastened and the Iron down, at 11 the Boats returned to the Ship without success and Steered S.E. by East

Wednesday May 6th. Commences with moderate winds from S.E. Steering S.E. at 4 P.M. took a heavy squall from the S.E. hove to under a close reefed Main Topsail heading to the

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the Eastward at 5 So. took in the Waist Boat, latter part arose moderate at 6 Am. set the Fore Sail and Single reefed Topsails and Steered S.E. at 8 So. put the Waist Boat so ends strong Gales and squally

Thursday May 7th. Commences with strong Gales from the S.E. and squally Steering S.E. by S. under Double reefs, at sunset took in the Fore Topsail and close reefed the Main Topsail, at 6 Am. set the Fore Topsail and let one reef out of the M.S. Sail, latter part strong Gales from S.E. and thick weather

Friday May 8th. Commences with strong Gales from the E. and thick weather Steering S.E. by S. under Double reefs, at 3 P.M. took in the Fore Topsail and close reefed the Main Topsail, at 5 So. took in the Fore Sail, Middle part heavy rain, at 2 Am. move Ship, so ends with strong Gales and thick weather

Saturday May 9th. First part strong Gales from the E. and thick weather heading to the S.E. under a close reefed Main Topsail, and Spanners, latter part strong Gales from the S.E. and close, at 9 Am. set the Fore Sail, so ends

Sunday May 10th. First part strong Gales from the S.W. heading to the S.E. by S. under a close reefed Main Topsail, at 9 P.M. took in the Waist Boat at 9 So. more moderate winds from W.S.W. set the Fore Sail and Steered S.E. at 6 Am. made all Sail, latter part moderate winds from S.W. to E. and pleasant.

Monday May 11th. This Day light winds from S.W. to S.E. and Calm Steering on different courses to the Northward

Tuesday May 12th. Commences with light winds from the S. Steering S.E. West. at sunset shortened Sail Middle and latter part fresh breezes from from S.E. by S. at 6 Am. set the Topsails latter part Steering on Diff. Co. from S.E. by S. to S.E. by W.

Wednesday May 13th. This Day strong Gales from the S.E. Steering on different courses to the Northward under Double reefs