

Journal of a Whaling Voyage

Remarks onboard Friday 14th 1850

1850 All this day gentle breeze and fine
in the AM. Williams also a merchantman
and sailed with the Bark Skate from
Westport 12 months out 430 Blk. Sperm
and a Mess of our matted home supposed there
Lat 34=33 Long 44=37

Remarks onboard Saturday June 15th

1850 First part of this day gentle breeze and fine
middle part moderate and squally latter part
gentle breeze and fine saw a whaling vessel
with an English Brig bound to the Coast
Lat 34=37 Long 45=01

Remarks onboard Sunday June 16th

1850 All this day gentle breeze and fine with
clouds saw a Brig bound to the S. West
also a Brig bound to the East toward
the Labrador Coast and put letters onboard
Ship Waterloo of Hull from Menasha
bound to St John New Brunswick
Lat 33=52 Long 45=27

Remarks onboard Monday June 17th

1850 All this day calm saw two shoals of
Porpoises saw one shoal of Blackfish toward
shot did not get any Sailed with the
Benjamin Branchin of Brazer Capt
Burr two months out 25 Blk. Sperm
also saw a merchant Brig bound East
Lat 33=35 Long 45=56

Remarks onboard Tuesday June 18th

1850 First part of this day calm latter part light
are from NW and very pleasant saw the
Brig Benjamin Branchin also a merchant
Brig saw a shoal of Blackfish and two
shoals of Sperm whales this day
Lat 33=25 Long 45=30

on board Sch. Walter Spring and the S. L. L.

Remarks onboard Wednesday 19th 1850

1850 First part of this day calm latter part
light are from N. E. West and squally saw
the Brig Benjamin Branchin also another Brig
three shoals of Blackfish three shoals of
Sperm and two shoals of Porpoises
Lat 32=57 Long 45=08

Remarks onboard Thursday 20th

1850 All this day calm and squally saw a
merchantman also saw the Sch. Walter
and joined with him knew oil saw
a shoal of Porpoises
Lat 32=27 Long 45=09

Remarks onboard Friday 21st 1850

1850 First part of this day calm latter part
gentle breeze and fine spoke the Sch. Luita
Dorchester 20 Barrell Sperm saw the Walter
saw a large shoal of Blackfish
Lat 32=44 Long 45=19

Remarks onboard Saturday 22nd

1850 First part of this day very moderate latter part
gentle breeze and very pleasant wind W. S. West
saw two shoals of Sperm saw a ship bound
to the Coastward saw a shoal of Porpoises
Lat 33=29 Long 46=19

Remarks onboard Sunday 23rd 1850

1850 All this day gentle breeze and fine
saw nothing of our five all hands aft
drew up an instrument to quit using tobacco
for this in all shape form or fashion without for another
Lat 34=40 Long 46=46

Remarks onboard Monday 24th 1850

1850 First part of this day fresh breeze and
fine latter part more moderate saw a number
of Porpoises also a shoal of Blackfish saw a
ship bound to South Lat 35=48 Long 46=12