

Ship Benj Tucker. Barbed Naptis

Sunday Aug 19th

First part of this 24 hours a thick fog at 10 AM the ice came down upon us and dragged us out of that until the anchor caught a solid of something and then we had all Shanty Bay anchored the sailing and surging to get away but no go so the ship broke off the shack of the Starboard anchor close to the ground and after getting out upon the ice sheeting and showing we got a place clear ship enough to let go the Starboard anchor and stuck out 45 fathoms of chain that with 60 fathoms of the Starboard chain and the stock and shank of the anchor held her solid as a brick knock of our breast all the upper and something about the head of the Indian boat came on board at 10 AM the ice all got past us took our anchor and went up the Bay several ships took anchors and chains all fluted up further at 12 AM let go the anchor in 11 fathoms of water. Middle and latter part fine weather.

Monday Aug 20th

First part of this 24 hours fine weather and calm. The Starboard boat went down the after whale. The Capt went on board of the schooner & to Frost of San Francisco and bought an anchor weighing 2100 lbs. Should the schooner along side of the and took it on board. Middle and latter part fine weather. Three boats still away, at 8 they returned.

In Shanty Bay 1856

Sunday Aug 21st

First part of this 24 hours calm and clear. Lowered away boats they went down the Bay to look for whales. Middle part fine weather saw number of whales from the ship lowered away the Starboard boat for them but no go. Latter a thick fog with rain heard a plenty of whales around the ship the boat still away.

Tuesday Aug 22nd

First of this 24 hours fine weather and calm. Middle & latter part a thick fog at 8 PM the Mist & Boat boats came on board the Starboard boat still away.

Wednesday Aug 23rd

First part of this 24 hours fine weather and calm at 12 AM the Starboard boat went off saw a number of whales around the ship at 6 AM she returned again. The Capt went down board of the United States the Bird boat struck and Drury.

Thursday Aug 24th

First part of this 24 hours a thick fog the boats all off saw a plenty of whales around the ship at 10 AM the Starboard boat brought a whale along side that she had been towing 3 days. Middle and latter part a thick fog.