

Journal of a Whaling Voyage in N. Atlantic
On board John William A. Grozier
George L. Dunham
Master.

April

Wednesday April 27. 1910.

At 11 A.M. got underway and towed to sea by Tug J. C. Hart in company with John A. Whyland and Pedro Yarella. Wind N.W. fresh. At 2 P.M. the Tug let go of us off Men and Chickens. Made sail and proceeded to sea with 23 men all told. Robert Drift C.T.B. did not render. At 6 P.M. Picked watches and boats crew and set watches at 3 P.M. Steaming S. by W. so ends this day.

28. Thurs. This day comes in with a moderate breeze from the N.W. coast S. by W. Lat 39.33. Long 70.10. We stowed away the chains and other ship work was done. John A. Whyland in sight. Sun set clear so ends this day.

29. Fri. This day comes in clear with a light breeze from the N.E. Coast S. by W. with the main trisail fore-sail and headsails. At 3 P.M. Haul down the fore-sail. Five over coast N. by W. Lat 38.10. Long 70.43. Ship work being done by the men. John A. Whyland in sight. got 3. Parfouet sunset in a thick cloud so end this day.

30. Sat. This day comes in with a fresh breeze from the S.E. hove too under trisails and forestay sail heading S.W. At 3 P.M. wind shifted to the S.W. five over. Saw a school of Blackfish. Lat 38.47. Long 71.07. Sun set clear so ends this day.

May 1. Sunday. This day comes in with a moderate breeze from the N.E. set sail cruising. at 1.30 P.M. fresh breeze haul down the mainsail. at 3.30 P.M. took in the fore-sail and hove too. Lat 38.15. Long 71.44. so ends this day.
J. H. Starkweather sick. unfit for duty.

2. Mon. Morning clear wind N.E. light. Set the fore-sail cruising. Made the try up the cover, put up the foot-ward and rings on the mainmast and jackstay on the flying jibboom. At 6 P.M. took in the fore-sail hove too cloudy at sunset so end this day.
Lat 38.09. Long 72.03.
J. H. Starkweather unfit for duty. Sick.

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May 3. Tues. This day comes in hazy with a light breeze from the S. Made all sail cruising. Set up the rigging: wedge the flying jib boom. at 6 P.M. took in sail hove too at 6.30 P.M. thick fog. so end this day. Lat 38.01. Long 72.14.
J. H. Starkweather unfit for duty. Sick.

4. Wed. This day comes in hazy with a light breeze from the N.E. set sail. at 9 A.M. rain with a fresh breeze took in sail and hove too cloudy with rain at sunset so end this day. no observation at noon. Long 72.06.
J. H. Starkweather unfit for duty. Sick.

5. Thurs. This day comes in clear with a moderate breeze from the N.E. signaled a steamboat bound N. Saw another bound S. Saw a school of whales never lower. breeze increased to fresh. At 3 P.M. hove too. Sun set clear so end this day. Lat 37.23. Long 72.13.
J. H. Starkweather unfit for duty. Sick.

6. Fri. This day comes in with a light breeze from the N.W. spoke the steamer Shahristan. Boarded the fine Master Schooner Marcus L. Urgan. of Boston Capt. Thompson from Portland bound to Norfolk. and sent ashore a sick seaman to be put in the hospital of J. H. Starkweather of Boston. breeze increased to fresh at 11 A.M. took in the mainsail and set the trisail Coast N.E. At 4 P.M. took in the fore-sail and set the trisail. Moderate and clear at sunset. so end this day
Lat 37.40. Long 72.07.

7. Sat. This day comes in clear with a fresh breeze from the N.W. cruising under trisails at 1 P.M. Set the fore-sail / steamer and 1. John in sight. at 4 P.M. took in the fore-sail and hove too heading N.W. put up a new mainmast backstay. Saw a finback. Sun set cloudy so end this day.
Lat 37.39. Long 71.19.

8. Sun. This day comes in with light wind and rain from the S. at 11 A.M. fresh breeze. Hove too. Sun set cloudy so end this day Lat 38.00. Long 71.35.

9. Mon. This day dawn with rain and a fresh breeze from the S.W. at 5 A.M. reef the main trisail. Saw 2 schools of whales never lower. Trace up the flying jib unbend the jib topsail cloudy at sunset so end this day.
Lat 38.34. Long 71.44.