

Night Whaling!!!

Saturday June 17th 1843

Commences with light winds from W. by N. In company with the Wm. E. Eliza. After fair moderate winds and cloudy. At 8 A.M. we landed 3 boats for whaling. Waiter boat fastened with 2 ropes, got one lance at him, he sounded and took the line. Bow boat then fastened, then Landward boat, he sounded and took both of their lines, he came up and shouted thick blood, killed him and took him along side at 11 A.M. saved all of our lines.

No Obs. this day

Sunday June 18th 1843

Commences with light winds from W. All hands employed cutting in the whale, finished at 5 P.M. 9 boats from Wm. E. Eliza came on board got bread & coffee. Middle part calm and pleasant. After part much the same, Samming with the Wm. E. at 10 A.M. saw the Wm. E. Haven & boats for some kind of a whale, we saw the spouts but could not tell what it was, a Right Whale it looked like, so we lowered all 4 boats and pulled for him, it proved to be a Sulphur Bottom of an enormous size, came on board.

No Obs. this day

Monday June 19th 1843

Commences with calm and pleasant weather, Steering by the wind. Saw Humpbacks, Fin Backs, and Campuses. At 6 P.M. commenced boiling. After part light winds from S.W. and foggy. Steering by W. by compass. Sail out of sight.

No Obs. this day

Bound to the Northward for Whales!!!

Tuesday June 20th 1843

Commences with moderate winds from S.W. by W. Watch employed boiling, Steering N.E. by E. Foggy but not very cold. Middle part much the same. After part Wind from S.E. Steering S. and by. Nothing in sight.

No Obs. this day

Wednesday June 21st 1843

Commences with light winds from E. Steering by the wind. Watch employed scraping bone and boiling out for Water Fin Backs and Hump Backs in sight. Standing watch and watch. Saunders getting worse every day. After part light winds cloudy but no fog. Wind from E. Wore ship at 7 A.M. Fin Backs in sight. also Sulphur Bottoms. Saunders moved in the S.

No Obs. this day

Thursday June 22nd 43

Commences with light winds from N.E. At 2 P.M. raised a Sail off the beam, the ship at 3 P.M. this heading N.W. Spruce x. x. x. After part calm, clear with passing clouds. Wind hauling to S.W. Squared the yards. Kept her N.E. by E.

Lat by Obs 51.53 North
Long by Obs 162.15 East

Friday June 23rd 1843

Commences with light winds from S.W. Steering N.E. by compass, sent down fore sail & fore topsail and bent others. Nothing in sight. Whales have disappeared. After part light winds from S.W. passing clouds and smooth. Steering N.E. by E. Vally all sail set to catch the breeze. At 11 A.M. Sulphur Bottoms in sight.

Lat by Obs 52.38 N.
Long by Obs 162.15 East