

Ship Abigail on the Line

Tuesday the 13th of March 1849
light trades steering to the
Island Bearing N E Dist 4 miles
at 5 PM Latten part near cabin at
8 am the wind hauled to the S
at 11 Backed in to the N E again

Wednesday the 14th
first and middle part light winds
at 6 am Raised top sails & Dents off
the weather blew going to the windward
we set Collars and lowered down
about 8 the Capt struck the
S. whale. Ran and sounded very
bad he took the Capt's line but
the boat got there in time to give
him the end of his line he then
ran until 12 without getting a
chance to lance him the make
of Milton got up to me and me
his work & the end of his line
and 2 of his men after a while I got
his son in the boat it a full 1/2
first son came out so we could
get on to him so he got into my
boat with 2 of his men
and we hauled on top of him
with 10 men in the boat and lanced
and killed him about 5 PM and took
to the Milton 5 PM of the 15th

Thursday the 15th
commenced latching at 3 m took the
whale to the Milton and Raised more
whales going to the windward quick
we set collars for another 2 days that
last close of the proved to be the 2 Brothers
N E Dist 13 miles but 500 yds Capt
spun at 8 m the wind hauled
suddenly to the windward blew and Rained
very hard

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Friday the 16th of March 1849
Strong winds from the N E steering
by to the N E in company with
the Milton the was Boiling 23

Saturday the 17th
first part Strong wind from the N W
at 4 PM Raked down to the Milton
and took one half of the whale that
she had been boiling with 2 1/2 bls
that was our due from the last
whale in all 17 1/2 bls and 11 gallons
at 10 the hauled to the N E
and Raked and blew very hard
at 10 1/2 took in all but a close Ruffed
Main top sail and Fore sail & Stay sails
at 1 moderated so that we set close
Ruffed top sails later part quite
moderate the wind to N W 15

Sunday the 18th
all of these 24 hours strong
winds and usually weather from
the westward steering by to the
Northward under close Ruffed top
sails the Milton in company

Monday the 19th
strong winds from the westward
with squalls of Rain steering by
to the Northward in company
with the Milton 2.00 N 8.8 E

Tuesday the 20th
first light and baffling winds
with squalls latter part light
from the Northward steering by to
the N W Employed in fitting
the S B and Ratching Cleat
for water 2:19