

Remarks Onboard

November the 5 1838

Com with strong gale from S & lying too under double reefed main top sail & fore sail heading W by S middle part ditto latter part made sail so wrought whale lowered & chased but all in vain so end in the late 45-10

Tuesday the 6

Com with calm & at 5 AM took a light wind from off & steered S by E under all sail middle part the same latter part strong gale double reefed the top sails & lowered after wrought whale but all in vain saw nothing so end in the late 45-05 S by E 46-57

Wednesday the 7

Com with moderate gale from off steering E by S lowered after whale middle part heading S & latter part made sail saw a whale toward the starboard boat struck him & chased & speared the mentor of New London 22 months out 2400 lbs mow in the late 43-30 S

Thursday the 8

moderate gale from off steering by the wind off S by W under double reefed top sails middle part the same found & cut sperm whale took him to the ship cut him in strong gale & raining so end in the late 43-00 by 45-40 W

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November the 9 1838

strong gale from S by E lying too heading off & under all sail middle part ditto latter part heading latter part more moderate wore ship & saw wrought whale & lowered 3 times to day but all in vain saw 4 ships saw got a whale in the late 45-10

Saturday the 10

strong gale from off & equally took in the fore top sail double reefed the main & chasing whale at 8 AM saw 2 the W by S under short sail middle part strong gale at 4 AM finished heaving & made the miller of New Bedford 24 months out 2300 lbs so end in the late 45-42 S by E 46-20

Sunday the 11

moderate gale from off steering by the wind N by E under single reefed top sails middle part strong gale & equally latter part more moderate saw 4 ships & one wrought whale lowered & chased as usual but all in vain so end in the late 43-01 S by E 45-12

Monday the 12

moderate gale from off steering S by E at 4 AM saw the schooner of New York at 1 PM shortened sail & hauled the wind W by S middle part by the back latter part wore ship to 4 & blowing it strong weather took in the fore & mizen top sail & fore reef the main in the late 45-45 S by E 45-35 W