

Journal at Sea August 3d 1843

- Aug 2d Thursday fair weather and light breezes
raised a school of sperm whales and the
larboard boat fastened to one of them
and killed it there was three other
ships in sight and each of them got
a whale & we began to eat in the
whale in the afternoon
- 4th Friday fair weather and light breezes
cut in the rest of the whale
the three ships in sight eating in and
trying out nothing in sight except a
finback
- 5th Saturday fair weather and strong breezes
two sail in sight one trying out the other
not nothing in sight besides
- 6th Sunday rough weather and strong breezes
finback trying out about 10 o'clock
three sail in sight but nothing else
- 7th Monday rough weather and fresh breezes
steering by the wind nothing in sight except
finbacks and two or three sail
- 8th Tuesday fair weather and light breezes
steering by the wind stowed down the
oil which was about fifty barrels
in the afternoon spoke the ship Montano of
Nantucket 19 months out 800 barrels
- 9th Wednesday fair weather and fresh breezes
steering by the wind 7 or 8 sail in
sight but nothing else except a finback
that we saw
- 10th Thursday fair weather and light breezes
steering by the wind to the Eastward
in the evening spoke the ship Japan
and the Mary Michel of Nantucket
nothing else in sight
- 11th Friday fair weather and light breezes
steering by the wind the Japan and Mary
Michel in sight in the afternoon we
gained with Japan
- 12th Saturday fair weather and strong breezes
steering by the wind three sail in sight
just before sunset raised a school of sperm
whales and lowered the boats after them
but they went down and we did not see
them afterwards there was another ship
lowered her boats after them she was the
Menkar of New Port 23 months out 700 barrels