

Journal of the Porpoise Hector

July 30th 1843 Sunday morning commences with a gale from the Eastward accompanied with heavy squalls off rain standing to the Southward under Double reef main topsail and foresail with 5 sails in sight in the afternoon the weather still the same at 7 pm we furled the fore sail and closed reef the main topsail

July 31st Monday morning commences with the wind blowing strong from the Southward steering to the Eastward we set the foresail and main sail and gib and topsail there is two sails in sight in the afternoon the weather still the same with sails still in sight

August 1st 1843 Tuesday morning commences with light breeze from the Southward steering East with all sail and a sail in sight in the afternoon the weather fine and calm at 4 pm we shoten down for the night latitude

August 2nd Wednesday morning commences with a light breeze from the Southward steering to the Eastward with all sail in the afternoon we shoten off sperm whales and the boat lowered down the boat and the Carboard boat got fast and he took the line and lost him we chased him till he was gone and then we came on board and furled the main sail with a sail in sight latitude

August 3rd Thursday morning commences with light breeze from the Eastward steering to the N.E. at 8 o'clock we saw a school of sperm whales and lowered down the boat and the Carboard boat got fast and we saw him and got him along side and the Carboard boat got fast and the iron drew out and we lost him and came on board and shot off him in and started the sperm

