

Journal on Board the Porpoise

- Dec 30 1842 Saturday morning calm and pleasant with nothing in sight in the afternoon we raised a large school of black fish and lowered the boats and struck and got one again
- Jan 31 Sunday morning squally with rain from the Northwest steering on the wind in the afternoon the weather still the same
- Jan 1st 1844 Monday morning commences with squally and rain from the Westward steering on the wind with a sail in sight
- Jan 2 Tuesday morning squally and rain from the Northwest steering on the wind with the sail in sight off our lee bow
- Jan 3 Wednesday morning commences with squally weather from the northward steering on the wind we saw sperm whales a breaching and a sail in sight in the afternoon we saw the Porpoise of London to go out 1844
- Jan 4 Thursday morning commences with strong winds from the Northwest steering N.W. with a sail in sight in the afternoon we saw the Genl Byrnes Island
- Jan 5 Friday morning fair and pleasant with light breezes from the N.W. steering for the main and have the main yard aback and the natives came of to us and brought presents and hats to trade in the afternoon the Captain went on shore after a case that one of the natives stole and brought of about load of coconuts and went on board of the English whaler at Matilda of London and the Porpoise of Nantucket and the Onya of London

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- Jan 6th 1844 Saturday morning fair and pleasant with strong breezes from the N.W. steering N.W. with the Porpoise close in sight at 9 o'clock in the evening we spoke the Onya of London
- Jan 7th Sunday morning fair and pleasant with light breezes from the Northwest steering to the westward with Byrnes Island in sight two sails in sight
- Jan 8th Monday morning fair and pleasant with a light breeze from the N.W. steering N.W. in the afternoon we had a squally from the westward
- Jan 9th Tuesday morning fair and pleasant with light breezes from the Northwest steering on the wind
- Jan 10 Wednesday morning fair and pleasant with light breezes from the N.W. steering N.W. in the afternoon we raised a school of Black fish and the main boat got one and we cut him up and shortened sail it to calm and rain
- Jan 11 Thursday morning calm and pleasant we are trying out the Black fish in the afternoon we saw Kapaia
- Jan 12 Friday morning fair and pleasant with light breezes from the N.E. steering N.W.
- Jan 13 Saturday morning fair and pleasant with strong breezes from the N.E. steering N.W. with two sails in sight we spoke the Porpoise of Nantucket
- Jan 14 Sunday morning fair and pleasant with light breezes from the N.E. steering N.W. with Byrnes Island in sight and two sails in the afternoon we raised a school of Black fish and lowered down the boats and got two of them the Porpoise boat got Captured and she was got righted again no one hurt