

Friday the 16 of December 1853
This Day we have a Strong Breeze from
the N. a Steering S. & this morning
We saw a right Whale and we
lowered 3 Bots But it was so rugged
that we could not get hold of him
So ends this Day
Lat 38:48 S Long 158:13 W

Saturday the 17 of December 1853
This Day we have a Strong Breeze from
the N. a Steering S. & we cut 2
porpoises and saw a number of fin backs
So ends this Day
Lat 40:15 S Long

Sunday the 18 of December 1853
This Day we have a gale of wind from
the N. W. and we are a Steering S.
our Ship under Double Reef Top
Sails and this Day ends
Lat 43:40 S Long

Monday the 19 of December
This Day we have a light Breeze
from the S. and we saw a right
Whale and we lowered our Bots and
we never saw him a gale latter part
calm and we took in sail for the
night and So ends this Day
Lat

Tuesday the 20 of December
This Day we have calm all
Day and we was all hands
belching gonyes and this Day ends

Wednesday the 21 of December 1853
This Day we have calm the latter
part a light Breeze from the
N. & a Steering S. we saw
Nothing and this Day ends

Thursday the 22 of December
This Day we have a Strong Breeze
from the N. & a Steering
S. and at 2 we saw 2 right
Whales and we lowered 3 Bots
But we could not get hold
the weather thick and Rainy
Shut in sail and this Day ends

Friday the 23 of December
This Day we have a gale of
wind from the N. and a
Steering S. and we saw nothing
This Day we took in sail
So ends this Day
1853

Saturday the 24 of December
This morning we met sail and
at 9 took it in a gale the wind
from the N. a Steering S. and
saw 2 right Whales and
we run all Day to the S. under
Double Reef main Top sail and
fore sail and So ends this Day
Lat 46:1 S Day
1853

Sunday the 25 of December
This Day we have a Strong Breeze
from the N. a Steering S. and
we saw a Spruce Whale's Carcass
and we saw a number of fin backs
This Day is Christmas the Day
that our Saviour was Born
Lat 46:15 S Long 153:14 W