

Remarks on Board of Ship Nigee of
on the coast of Africa

May 29th 1879

This day begins with a Fresh Breeze from S at 12 M. We commence to cut in at 2 P.M. we finish cutting in and named the Bark Belholou Gornald at 5 P.M. Hacked the first Middle we are Boiling latter part the Gornald Close to so we exchange signals at 9 A.M. we saw a large sperm whale we lowered the Waist Boat Sticks and got badly stored but we saved the whale so ends this day Lat 16-15 S Long 9-08

May 30th 1879

This day begins with a Fresh Breeze from S. at 1 P.M. we got the whale alongside at 2 P.M. we commence to cut we got the jaw in and the head half cut off, and it came in dark so we let the whale lay alongside we parted one eye and we opened a new eye Middle part quite choppy sea and at Breakfast time we had the head off at 12 M. we had the whale in so ends this day work so observations

May 31 1879

This day begins with good weather we are clearing down the head and at 2 P.M. we commence to boil the whale we saw one sail James Howard sick with Venereal disease Middle part fine weather we are employed in Boiling latter part we got down a new boat and put it on the Waist Boat. Gains for the second Officer Mr Samuel Peters he lost his mast and his sail when he got stored saw two or three Humpbacks and a fin back so ends this day Lat 16-12 S Long 9-14 E

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June 1st 1879

This day begins with a fine breeze from S. S. We ship by the wind to S. E. we are Boiling we saw a school of Black fish Middle part ship and top gallant sails saw two Humpbacks Whales we Boiling James Howard sick S. Ends this day Lat 16-31 S Long 9 E

June 2nd 1879

This day begins with a fine breeze from S. S. We are by the wind to N. we saw 2 Humpback Whales at 5 P.M. we finish Boiling at 6 P.M. we ship to S. E. Middle part strong breeze latter part with a fine breeze from S. S. we are employed in repairing the Waist Boat so ends this day Lat 15-38 S Long 8-25 E

June 3rd 1879

This day begins with fine breeze from S. S. we saw 2 or 3 Humpback Whales at 3-30 P.M. saw a sperm whale 4 miles of the beam to windward we lowered four boats and pulled up but did not see the whale from the boat Middle part ship working to the windward tack and tack Lat 8-30 A.M. fresh breeze we hoisted the Main top sail at 6 we began to break out the Main Hole to stow oil at 9 A.M. we saw a sperm whale going to windward and for three hours we sawed three boats and pulled to windward and could not gain on him so the boats come aboard so ends No observations