

152 Remarks on Board of the Ship

On the Right Whale Ground

Nov 8th 1879

This day begins with a fresh breeze from W. by N. Ship under lower & top sails. Lower & upper sails saw a few fin back whales. Middle part lite breeze latter part wind lite from the Southward we are standing to the Eastward saw two or three fin back whales so ends this day I am around again

Lat 35-50 S Long 28-25 W.

Nov 9th 1879

This day begins with lite air and calm with a heavy swell from the Southward at 3 p.m. lite breeze from N. E. by E at 7 p.m. took in lite sails middle part moderate latter part strong breeze from E. N. E. with main ship under whole top sails and course heading to S. E. so ends this day's work the ship off duty same leg

Lat 37-15 S Long 27-130 W.

Nov 10th 1879

This day begins with a strong breeze from E to E by N. Ship by the wind to S. by E under lower & top sails at 4-20 p.m. took ship to E. by N. We hoisted the mainmast at 7 p.m. took in jib & foresail saw two fin back whales middle part strong breeze from S. by E. at 6-30 A.M. I set the course and steered off to N. E. by E. saw 2 fin back whales at 10 A.M. set upper top sails and main and jib & top sails so ends Lat 35-20 S Long 25-01 W

Nov 11th 1879

This day begins with a fresh breeze, breeze from South course N. E. by E. to E. N. E. at 4-30 p.m. took in the lite sails and left to by the wind to E. S. E. saw 1 fin back whale middle part wind the same latter part at 6-30 saw a sail it was the bark Louisa we gazed her she had not seen a whale & they has been a good day so ends

Lat 35-21 S Long 25-01 W

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Nov 12th 1879

This day begins with a fine breeze from S. E. ship by the wind to E. by S. in company with the bark Louisa middle part moderate breeze from S. E. ship by the wind to E. N. E. latter part a moderate breeze from S. E. by S. ship by the wind to S. E. saw a few fin back whales the bark Louisa in sight so ends this day

Lat 35-25 S Long 24-26 W

Nov 13th 1879

This day begins with lite breeze from S. E. by S ship under all sail by the wind to S. by W to S. S. W. we saw 2 or 3 fin back whales middle part calm and lite air from the Southward at daylight the bark Louisa in sight latter part calm we saw a shoal of black fish and killer and 2 or 3 fin back whales so ends this day Lat 35-43 S Long 24-31 W

Nov 14th 1879

This day begins with a lite breeze from N. to N. by W ship by the wind to S. by W the Louisa is in sight the bark that Hale the Bobstae bark we put in a day one middle part breeze S. with a fine breeze from N. latter part steering to N. E. and zigzagging over the grounds to E. S. E. the bark Louisa is in sight this has been a fine day so ends

Nov 15th 1879

This day begins with a fine breeze from N. E. to E. by S. at 3 p.m. wore ship to N. at 5 p.m. we gained the bark Louisa middle part lite air and calm ship by the wind to the Northward latter part lite breeze from the N. W. at 5 A.M. we spoke and lapped the bark Wanderer and Louisa so ends

Lat 36-20 Long 23-41 W