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Remark on Board of Ship Niger of New
on the Right Whale grounds

Nov 16th 1879

This day begins with a fine breeze from the
Westward. We are running to the E. in company with
the Bark Vanderen & Bark Louisa Middle Port
Wind shifted we are by the Wind under short
sail latter part Wind from the Northward
at 5:30 A.M. Steamed off to S.E. by E. and zigzagging
off to E. in company with Bark Vanderen
all Bark Louisa and a good breeze saw lots
of Fin Back Whales. So Ends Lat 36-54 Long 22-30 W

Nov 17th 1879

This day begins with a fine breeze from N.W. to
Louisa & at 3 P.M. shifted to by the Wind to S.W. Saw
Plenty of Fin Back Whales at 4:30 P.M. Wind
Hauled to S.W. and S. and we saw several
Patches of Feed the first we have seen this
Season Middle Port Wind baffling from S.W. to
S.W. with Fog latter part Wind from W.N.W.
Ship by the Wind to N. at 8 A.M. wore ship
Saw the Vanderen & a few Fin Back Whales
So Ends this day Lat 37-00 Long 22-37 W

Nov 18th 1879

This day begins with fine breeze from N.W. to
Ship under all sail by the Wind to S.S.W.
Saw a Merchant Brig to the Eastward Saw
a good show of feed Middle Port Wind
sail to the Westward at 5 A.M. wore ship to
N.E. and made all sail saw plenty of Fin Back
Whales and feed So Ends Lat 36-56 N Long 22-30 W

Nov 19th 1879

This day begins with fine breeze from N.W. to Ship
by the Wind to S.E. Saw plenty of Fin Back Whales
Middle Port Wind the same latter part at 5:45
A.M. wore ship to N.W. it began to breeze
we took in lite sails we saw one sail
at 11 A.M. ship under lower top sails So
Ends this day Lat 36-20 Long 22-20

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on the Right Whale grounds

Nov 20th 1879

This day begins with a gale from N.E. by N. at
1 P.M. it blew heavy Ship Making good
Weather of it Ship under gross wing chain
top sail chain Spencer fore stay sail heading
to E.N.E. the Wind working to N. Middle Port
Wind breeze to the Westward and blow heavy
Ship under gross wing chain top sail and fore
stay sail latter part Wind began to moderate
Set lower top sails a gale we saw
that of porpoise & 3 Fin Back Whales So Ends
Lat 36-10 S Long 23-00 W

Nov 21st 1879

This day begins with a strong breeze from
N.W. by N. With a heavy swell we set the
upper and foresail at 3 P.M. wore ship to
S. Wind veering to Southward at 7 P.M.
Wore ship to S. by N. Middle Port Wind lite
and baffling latter part almost calm with
lite air and calm from N.W. to N. by W.
saw one sail and several Fin Back Whales
So Ends Lat 36-40 S Long None

Nov 22nd 1879

This day begins with lite air from N.W. to
we are employed in setting up Main topmast
head stay middle part strong breeze from N.
course W. by N. at 10 A.M. we wore ship to
N.W. by W. Wind veering to the Westward
blowing fresh Ship under lower top sail and fore
sail Jib hoisted So Ends this day saw 3 Fin Back Whales
No Abnormalities

Nov 23rd 1879

This day begins with a strong breeze from W. by
S. Ship by the Wind to N.W. by N. under gross
top sails and chain topmast stay sail Middle
Port fresh breeze from N.W. latter part Wind
the same fine breeze and good sailing
set up Main stay saw 3 or 4 Fin Back
Whales So Ends Lat 36-28 Long 24-37 W