

Private Journal of a Voyage in Ship Abner

Tuesday
Sept 16th

Commenced with strong breezes from the N. the boats fast to the Whale at 3 P.M. the starboard boat got stove. at 6 the Bow Boat cut and let him go. Middle and Latter parts strong gales at 8 P.M. finished Birling. Lat 67. 55

Wednesday
Sept 17th

Commenced with strong breezes from the N. employed in stowing down at 5 finished Middle part strong gales Latter part the same with rainy weather. Lat by bet 67. 52

Thursday
Sept 18th

Commenced with strong gales from the E. with rainy weather. at 1 P.M. were ship to the S. set the Hand Merren Topsails above reefed. Middle and Latter parts more moderate spoke with both Crab. & Whales the seasons employed in wrapping down. Lat by bet 67. 49 Long

Friday
Sept 19th

Commenced with strong breezes from the S.E. heading E. & sail in sight and thirty of Whales. spoke with ship La. Gore, De. Sen. & Whales. Middle and Latter parts the same Lat 68. 55

Saturday
Sept 20th

Commenced with fresh gales from the S.E. heading S.W. 4 sails in sight. Middle and Latter parts moderate breezes from the S.E. Bent a Gore and Merren Topsails Lat 68. 45

(La. Gore one season in the Arctic Ocean)

Barker. Bound to the Sandwich Islands. 1854.

Sunday
September 21st

Commenced with strong breezes from the S.W. steering S.E. with rainy weather. Middle and Latter parts the same. were ship several times. Lat by bet 67. 35 N

Monday
Sept 22nd

Commenced with fresh gales from the E. heading on different tacks at 4 P.M. saw the Hand bearing S.W. Middle part light winds from the S. Latter part variable winds one sail in sight. took the Anchor on the Bow without the cable. Lat. 67. 24.

Tuesday
Sept 23rd

Commenced with light breezes from the S.W. the Ladder in sight bearing S.E. and sail in sight. steering S.E. Middle part calm with snow squalls. Latter part light winds from the N.W.E. two sails in sight. Lat. 67. 03.

Wednesday
Sept 24th

Commenced with light winds from the N. steering S.E. by E. one sail in sight. Middle part fresh gales the ship lying aback. spoke with ship Joseph Rodgers of Bremen. 7 Whales the seasons Latter part strong gales carried away the fly jib boom. and Gore Royal mast. at 9 A.M. the Wind hauled to the S.E. with thick rainy weather. Lat 66. 38.

Thursday
Sept 25th

Commenced with fresh gales from the S.E. heading S. with thick rainy weather. one sail in sight. Middle part the Wind hauled S.W. steered S.E. Latter part strong gales from the same quarter with plenty of snow the ship going to under close reefed Topsails. two sail in sight Lat 66. 28.