

Blackfish
78

off Katoctan

Thursday August 11th 1864

Commenced clear

With a nice breeze from S.E. crew employed at ship duty during the day. Tacked ship and stood in towards the land so ends this day.

Frid 12th

This day clear with a light breeze from S.E. saw a number of Sulphur Bottoms during the day. crew employed at ship duty.

Sat 13th

Clear with a nice breeze from S.E. sent Mainmast down for repairs. Saw a large school of Black Fish, sent No. 10. a lot.

Sun 14th

This day light wind from S.E. saw a number of Sulphur Bottoms. all were still and quiet during this day.

Mon 15th

Light S.E. wind thick and cloudy. Scrubbed ship fore & aft with sand. Land about 10 miles off.

Blackfish
Whales

off Latta
again

Tuesday August 16th 1864

Commenced with

Light wind from S.E. with frequent showers. At 4.30 saw a large school of Blackfish. at 7 pleasant. Had a boat 20 miles off.

Wed 17th

This day light and variable winds. At 9.20 A.M. saw Sea Queen of West Port. At sundown took in light sails.

Thurs 18th

This day strong wind from S.E. Sea Queen in sight standing towards us. at ship duty.

Frid 19th

Moderate wind from S.E. Sea Queen in sight. Sent down Mizen stay and shortened it. Saw Blackfish. took the greater part of the day. at ship duty.

Sat 20th

Commenced fine with light S.E. wind. Sea Queen in sight. at 4 P.M. saw a school of Whales chased until sun down and returned to ship.