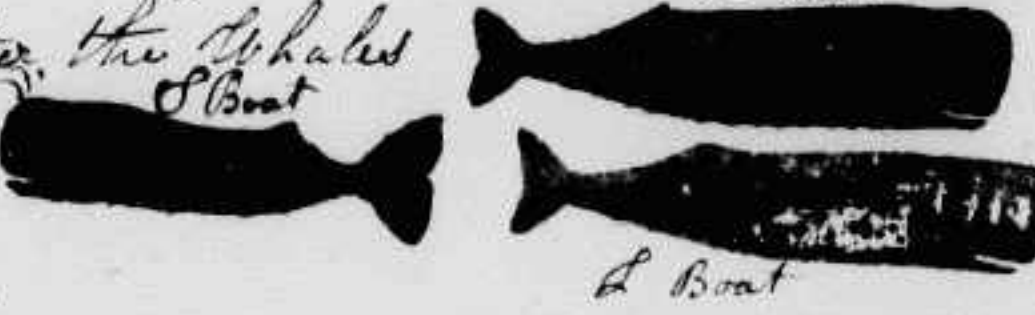


Barge Brunett Cruising off the coast of Africa Oct th 3 1842
 Monday pleasant breeze from NNE at 1 PM took the starboard
 Oct th 3 Boat to the ship; between 2 & 3 to 10 took the
 1842 Larboard Boats, two; got dinners & commenced
 The S. Boat cutting in; at dark got two in shortened sail
 got stove, was & sat the watch; middle part employed in
 obliged to clearing away the heads; at day light called all
 cut the line hands & hooked down to the other ^{at Boat} at 9.30 till finished
 8.30 to the cutting, and commenced boiling; caught some large Turbot while
 Barge, after the ^{at Boat}  so ends these 24 hours
 Lat by obs 25° 26' N

Thursday Oct th 4 commenced with fine weather wind from the
 Northward & Eastward all hands employed in
 boiling & clearing the decks middle & latter part strong
 wind & rugged; ship quite uneasy nothing in
 sight from the mast head so ends these 24 hours
 Lat 25° 31' N
 Long in 17° 30' W

Wednesday Oct th 5 Strong NE Trades at 7-30 AM finished
 boiling & washed off the decks took the Starboard
 down from the beams & commenced mending her;
 latter part fine weather; the Boatsteers employed
 in fitting the Boats so ends Lat by obs 25° 29' N
 Long in 17° 20' W

Thursday Oct th 6 commenced with moderate trade wind Barge heading
 Oct th 6 NW by the wind; at sunset put the Boat over board & cleared
 up the decks; got supper & double reefed the topsails; at daylight
 called all hands made sail washed the decks; up to the
 got breakfast & commenced stowing down oil ends fine
 Lat by obs 25° 31' N
 Long by Chro 17° 40' W

Elderly M Luce Master

Friday Oct th 7 commenced with pleasant breeze from the NE Barge heading
 Oct th 7 1842 to the NW at 4.30 PM finished stowing down oil & washed off the decks
 got supper & shortened sail wore ship; lat & PM saw 2 Sail
 off the Starboard beam latter part strong wind & rugged
 Capt Luce employed in mending his Boat; the crew wash
 ing clothes Lat by obs 25° 10' N
 Long by Chro 17° 40' W

Saturday Oct th 8 strong trades shortened sail at sunset & wore ship to the
 NW at 4 PM wore round to the SSE latter part
 strong wind made sail at sunrise at 9 the water turned
 green at 10 AM exchanged signals with a Spanish Schooner
 steering NW supposed her to be one of the Canaries fishing vessels
 Lat by obs 24° 08' N
 Long by Chro 16° 33' W

Sunday th 9 strong wind from the NE at 1 PM hove to & sounded
 no bottom; at 3 sounded again; got bottom at 46 fathoms fine sand
 & shells; passed two large Turbot ~~lowered~~ lowered a boat after
 one, but without success; at 4 double reefed the topsails
 laced the head yards aback & over fish lines caught one haddock
 it for supper; at 7 in the evening the Cooper came down
 in the cabin with a fish hook hooked in his hand
 Capt Luce cut it & ordered the fore topsail braced forward
 & lines put away; latter part wind light steering from SE to W
 saw two brigs; & lots of Porpoises & a large Shoal of Black Fish
 playing round the Ship; so ends these 24 hours
 Lat by obs 23° 43' N
 Long by Chro 17° 22' W

Monday Oct 10 light wind from the NE; steering most every hour of
 the compass saw porpoises & heard Brigs; Capt emp
 loyed in grinding spades & myself employed
 keeping other folks at work upon the rigging
 Lat by obs 23° 39' N
 Long by Chro 17° 26' W