

Lat-45.37

Sunday Feb 13th 1887

Long 49.11 First part of this day fine weather clear and light breeze from the N. ship steering S.W. middle and latter parts strong breeze and fog and rain ship luffed on the wind saw a large steamer and a merchant ship steering to the S.E. also saw a large number fin backs and porpoises so ends.

Lat-45.16

Monday Feb 14th

Long 49.30 Blowing a gale from the N.E. to N.W. weather thick and rainy this morning cleared up some at noon. and moderating some to night. hope we may have a good day tomorrow and get a whale

Lat-44.38

Tuesday Feb 15th

Long 51.9 Blowing a gale from the N.W. first part ship on the wind. middle and latter parts steering E by S weather very squally rainy and every thing uncomfortable. saw fin back and porpoises

Lat-43.43

Wednesday Feb 16th

Long 54.24 Blowing strong from the W. ship steering E by S under what sail we can carry. nothing special to write saw porpoises

Lat-43.17

Thursday Feb 17th

Long 57.6 This day moderate breeze from the N.W. ship steering E S E under all sail that will draw. nothing been seen.

Lat-43.4

Friday Feb 18th

Long 60.57 strong breeze from the E.N.E. ship on the wind heading S.E. saw a lone shark this morning. employed washing ship forward nothing special to write.

Saturday Feb 19th 1887

This day blowing a gale from the N.E. ship on the wind working to the East under what sail we can carry. had some rain in squalls. no observation

Sunday Feb 20th

This day blowing strong from the N.E. ship steering E S E under what sail we can carry. very rough sea on weather quite thick at times through the day

Monday Feb 21st

This day blowing a heavy gale from the N.N.E. ship bore too until 3 P.M. wind then changed into the W.W. ship steering S.E. by E. very heavy sea on weather quite hard at times through the day. sent a new fore sail to day. old one gave out last night. no observation

Tuesday Feb 22nd

This day fine weather with moderate breezes from the W.S.W. ship steering E S E about 10.30 A.M. Benson raised a lone sperm whale going quick to windward only saw it two sightings and then went out of sight worked the ship to windward until 2 P.M. and kept off steering E S E got the boat ready but did not lower. think the ship must have got in to him for they raised him nearly astern ship where they saw him the first sighting. broke out syrup.