

Wednesday April 18th 1877

Comes in with moderate breezes from the E. S. E. and rain weather. After breakfast called all hands and set them to work fitting the boats and making preparations for whaling. Ship still to the N. W. to the S. W. several sails in sight one we call the Minerva capt. Thomson she having got under weigh soon after we did yesterday morn. All the P. M. rainy weather and the water below. Mid part calm with some clear weather.

Thursday April 19th 1877

Comes in with light baffling winds and calm from E. S. E. and hauling to the S. All the A. M. all hands on deck cutting lines &c &c. Wind at 10 A. M. to the S. W. bore ship heading to the N. E. with main top sail set as also fore jib. At 11 A. M. saw Mast first for the N. In the P. M. rainy. Two men hauled out one forward hand search. Some pieces of drift in sight around the ship. Saw one merchant vessel steering to the E.

Friday April 20th 1877

Comes in with strong breezes from S. W. and some with much rain. Ship steering to the E. with heavy weather. Watch employed in fitting boats &c. Saw Blackbird and a number of merchantmen steering to the E. S. W. Saw quite a number of pieces of drift stuff. Lat. at Merid. 39. 13 Long. 68. 50 W. Air 77. Water 72.

Saturday April 21st

Comes in with moderate breezes from the N. E. and cloudy weather. Ship steering to the E. S. E. center whole topsails. All hands employed all day in fitting boats bashing up boats to receive cutting falls &c. Nothing in sight all day. One man Stetson a boatsteerer off boat. Bick clearing weather in the P. M. with a rising barometer. No. Obs.

Sunday April 22nd 1877

Comes in with light winds and clear weather from N. W. Ship steering to the E. S. E. with all sail cut. Water green and muddy. Saw one surfboat and two schools of porpoises and one large black whale. One St. George Man of war. Lat 39. 06 Long 68. 31 Water 38 Air 56

Monday April 23rd 1877

Comes in with strong gales from the N. and E. with water. Ship steering to the E. S. E. with all prudent sail cut. Saw several sails steering to the E. all hands employed in fitting boats &c. At 11 A. M. raised 5 sperm whales by Main. A boatsteerer at the Main. The whales saw the ship and started off to the N. Sounded the tubs but not chased without success as soon lost sight of the whales from the ship. Saw about a dozen small whales. Followed them as close as we could with the tubs but being out lost the run of them. Saw through the day many pieces of drift stuff & some bbls. of Tallow, as we supposed did not pick up any. In the P. M. came on to rain heavy. Took in all sail but lower topsails & supper and set the watch. Ship heading to the N. W. Lat. at 2 P. M. by Double Alt. 39. 08 N. Long. by Double Alt. 68. 45 W.

Tuesday April 24th 1877

Comes in with strong gales from N. and clear weather. Ship heading to the N. W. W. under lower topsails. Mizzen topmast staysails. At 6 A. M. were ship heading to the E. S. E. and set the foresail. Nothing in sight in the A. M. but two sails steering to the E. At 1 P. M. were ship heading to the N. S. W. for compass. Nothing in sight up to 4 P. M. Lat. 39. 45 Long. 68. 46 W.