

May 1871

Thursday 11.

Commences with squally weather and moderate trades the Bark steering S by E. this P.M. two sails to the E. of us. Latter part.

Light trades & clear weather the Bark steering S by E. so ends this 24 hours.

Lat 26.10 Long 33.05.

Friday 12.

Commences with fine weather and light trades the Bark steering S by W. Latter part.

Fine weather & moderate trades at 6 o'clock Thomas Melain rose a school of sperm whales ahead dis 3 miles whale going about S by E. at 6 1/2 o'clock. Toward. & the Starboard boat struck the waist & Starboard boat chased off & the Starboard boat struck at 10 o'clock had them both to the ship at 12. m commenced to cut so ends this 24 hours. Lat 18.40 Long 33.21. W.

Saturday 13.

Commences with fine weather & moderate trades this P.M. employed in cutting at 6. P.M. finished Latter part.

fine weather the Bark heading S E. by S. at 10 o'clock. commenced to Boil so ends this 24 hours. Saw two sails & one white water. Lat. 18.23. Long 33.01.

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Sunday 14.

Commences with fine weather & moderate trades the Brig by the word heading S E. by S. Employed in Boiling Latter part.

Much the same at 12. P.M. worked the A. at 6 o'clock one sail to the S of us so ends this 24 hours Lat 18.31 N Long 32.25 W.

Monday 15.

Commences with fine weather & strong trades the Bark heading SSE. Employed in Boiling Latter part.

Strong trades at 4 o'clock finished Boiling turned up 50 lbs. so ends this 24 hours. Lat 17.33. Long 32.08.

Tuesday 16.

Commences with clear weather & strong trades the Bark heading S E. by S at 12 1/2 P.M. Thomas Melain rose sperm whales breaching one point off the weather bow. 3 miles off going quick to windward at 4 P.M. lashed ship to the A. at sun down shortened sail. at 3 1/2 P.M. put the Steward toward. as he could not fulfill his duty as Steward, & took another man in his place one.

Latter part - strong trades the Bark heading S by E. Employed in stowing oil in the fore hold. so ends this 24 hours. Lat 18.21. Long 32.34.