

Journal of Whaling boat Margaretta
May 4th 19-11

10.30 AM Left Anchorage in New Bedford harbor
Set all lower sail bound on whaling voyage
Spoke long S. S. part At dark Island of
Black Island in sight bearing about N E
11-12 miles distance At dark steering
S by W with Wind about W S W

May 5th Lat 40° 30'
Long 71° 00'

This day comes with light Westerly
Air latter part wind about S W all
Lower sail set standing in the Westered.
Crew employed fixing up boat and
doing odd jobs around deck saw two
steamers bound into the West Spiddle
and latter part the same

May 6th No Obs

This day commences with light baffling
wind from S W Spiddle latter part the same
Crew employed breaking out cabin stores putting
out cutting gear and overhauling cutting gear
making a little headway into the S W

May 7th Lat No Obs
Long

This day comes with light air from
about S W. Set standing along into the S W
under all sail. Saw two furlocks Spiddle
& latter part about the same

May 8th Lat 39° 25'
Long 71° 36'

This day comes with light air from S E
Spiddle part the same saw two ships bound into the
North latter part strong wind from S E steering
into the S W. Saw two furlocks in harbor and Black Island