

Journal of the Whaling Bark President 1894

Starboard Boat
Lat 37.12
Long 72.26

¹² Saturday April 28 Cruising on Starboard
This day comes in with a moderate breeze from the Sd about one o'clock PM the Captain raised a school of small Sperm Whales on our weather bow about two miles off got the boats ready and lowered and pulled to windward and put our sails and a while after Starboard Boat struck and was the boat struck the same whale got the whale along side and made fast about sundown and took in all sail except the lower main top sail latter part called all hands at day light - and went to cutting got the whale cut in about seven o'clock and got breakfast and started the works and made some sail

¹³ Sunday April 29
This day comes in with quite a strong breeze and rugged water being boiling nothing in sight latter part had some rain finished boiling and broke out in the main hole

¹⁴ Monday April 30
This day comes in with a strong breeze from the Sd the water steved the oil below 432 ball and cleared up deck and furled the foresail saw several sails middle part the same latter part moderate breeze made sail and after breakfast spoke the Sch. Adelia whose the Capt came on board a little while water ran up the main top mast back step

Lat 37.16
Long 72.20

Capt John Bravo

1894

¹⁵ Tuesday May 1
This day comes in with a moderate breeze from the NW ship cruising for whales at sun down shortened sail saw several whaling Schooners. Middle part the same latter part moderate breeze from the NW made sail

¹⁶ Wednesday May 2
This day comes in with a moderate breeze from the NW ship cruising water employed in ship duty, saw several whaling Schooners and also 2 American Man o War middle part the same, latter part a good breeze made some sail

¹⁷ Thursday May 3
This day comes in with a good breeze from the SW ship cruising about five PM gamed the Brig D A Small and Rising Sun at sun down shortened sail as usual middle part the same latter part light breeze made sail at day light and about ten AM gamed the John Bravo Valler

¹⁸ Friday May 4
This day light breeze and haze gaming the Brig D A Small and Rising Sun and Bravo Valler at sun down shortened sail as usual middle part the same latter part moderate breeze made all sail Cruising for whales the vessel still leaking about three and four hundred strokes in twelve hours

Lat 37.19
Long 72.52
Lat 37.09