

Sunday Jan 13th 1861

Strong wind no whaling to day, all hands employed stowing oil, the carpenter mending stoven boats that is our Sundays work & fire of rascal, but I have a fall and a damn old greenie,

Monday Jan 14th

Strong breeze at 4 A.M. sent the boats off whaling, at night came on board seeing nothing, there has been two whales taken to day.

Tuesday Jan 15th

First part calm, latter part fresh breeze from sea, at 4 A.M. sent the boats to look for whales, at night returned have seen only two and of course got neither.

Wednesday Jan 16th

Gale of wind through the day with heavy squalls of wind and rain, no whaling to day, I have spent a miserable day, no comfort or peace on board this ship for me.

Thursday Jan 17th

Calm most of the day at 4 A.M. sent off the boats, got a whale to the ship about 10. cut him and began to tail, this is what I call hard whaling.

Friday Jan 18th

Pleasant weather boats off looking for whales, saw none, at 6 P.M. finished haling, I wish I had have left the ship, and then the grained would have all been together.

Saturday Jan 19th 1861

Pleasant weather boat off looking for whales at night returned with nothing, there has been two whales taken to day and four boats & tow, they are the worst whale to whale after that I ever was among by.

Sunday Jan 20th

Pleasant weather stowed 70 lbs oil between decks.

Monday Jan 21st

Part of the day pleasant and part windy at 4 A.M. launched the boats saw two whales but other ships boats chasing them.

Tuesday Jan 22nd

Strong wind boat off at 1 P.M. came on board have seen one whale and he belonged to the ship, the Shagan and ourselves have divided partnership, the cause unknown to me, it seems as though the S, C or some other evil spirit was against us, had see whales along side of us and we cannot see them, the boat that sees the whale first sets a waif and that ships boat chase him without opposition from others, we are always discaying I would give my share of all we get here if we could get three or four whales right off.

Wednesday Jan 23rd

Pleasant weather chased whale all day, could not get hold.

Thursday Jan 24th

Strong wind sent the boats off in the morning at noon returned saw nothing at 2 P.M. got under way and beat down about eight miles, I shall be glad when we get out of this place.