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DEATH

August 12<sup>th</sup> Good weather Doing odd jobs. August 13<sup>th</sup> Good weather Nothing done. The ship lifted 600 lbs of sperm oil six weeks out ten lbs sperm oil. August 14<sup>th</sup> Good weather Doing odd jobs. August 15<sup>th</sup> Breaking out water saw the Bark Pacific two months out clear. August 16<sup>th</sup> Doing odd jobs. August 17<sup>th</sup> Raining nothing done. August 18<sup>th</sup> The same. August 19<sup>th</sup> Doing odd jobs. August 20<sup>th</sup> Nothing raised land while running for it saw a dead whale went and got it. August 21<sup>th</sup> Kulling in took one of the men out - it was the Big gull's of Sigal saw a vessel bearing down towards us it proved to be the gull when she came up we had about half in on deck and she demanded the rest. August 22<sup>th</sup> Tying out. August 23<sup>th</sup> Blew up the deck. August 24<sup>th</sup> Doing odd on flow. August 25<sup>th</sup> Preparing and stowing the oil put out 48 lbs. August 26<sup>th</sup> Breaking out sugar and coffee. August 27<sup>th</sup> Nothing. August 28<sup>th</sup> Saw black fish lowered and got none. August 29<sup>th</sup> Breaking out fuel, pork, water and getting up casks. August 30<sup>th</sup> Picking oakum and getting up casks. August 31<sup>th</sup> Nothing. September 1<sup>st</sup> Blowing a gale. Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> Still blowing. Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Still blowing. Sept 4<sup>th</sup> The same. Sept 5<sup>th</sup> Squally not much doing. Sept 6<sup>th</sup> Raining. Sept 7<sup>th</sup> a gale. Sept 8<sup>th</sup> The same. Sept 9<sup>th</sup> about the same. Sept 10<sup>th</sup> same. Sept 11<sup>th</sup> Last night about 2 o'clock the jib boom was carried away today getting ready for a new one. Sept 12<sup>th</sup> Making the jib boom out of the Chinchman was on the main yard at work he lost his hold and fell, struck the davit of the waist boat. The his head against the side of the ship. fell overboard. lowered a boat but no use. had the flag half-mast all day at sunset had service. Sept 13<sup>th</sup> Blowing a gale. Sept 14<sup>th</sup> Making jib boom. Sept 15<sup>th</sup> Saw the Bark Rose 2 months out 47 lbs I received four letters about four o'clock the Rose saw whale we lowered 3 boats and she four chased them until sunset then came aboard with 400 lbs. Sept 16<sup>th</sup> Breaking out water at work on the jib-boom. Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Nothing. Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Rigging