

Bark Corrington, toward the Western Isles

August the 3rd (1852) (by Allen M. Newman - master)

Latt 37.40 Long 68.10 saw Sperm Whales going quick, chased without success,

August the 11th

Saw one whale and going quick chased without success, Latt 36.30 Long 63.80

August 15th saw two Whales and to Bark's Boats in chase, lowered & helped them chase but got nothing, O Lord our heavenly Father do thou look upon us from thy holy throne in heaven & grant us O Lord success in our labours, we read in thy holy word that thou didst bless fisherman of old, Help us O Lord with prosperity & return us to our dear families & friends in health and thy name shall be praised, Amen,
Sunday night Latt 37.20 North Long 38.00 West

Monday Augst 16th

at 5 AM saw a large whale and at 7 struck him to the larboard boat & the line got foul and took the boat down & we did not see her after picked up the oars, sail &c, chased the whale until 4 PM and gave it up, Do not forsake us Good Lord for we need thy help,

August the 23rd saw the Island of Flora and found the chronometer 1' slow

September 25th Latt 4.40 North Long 16 West Wind SSW the wind has been blowing from SSW the past week without appearance of a change nothing of the whale kind.

October 25th

South Latt 37.30 West Long 9.40 Saw two Right Whales & chased without success

November 1st South Latt 34.40 East Long 09.00 saw Sperm Whales & struck one to the larboard boat & lost it gone

Sunday November 14th got 5 Black fish made seven 1300, Latt 34.22 South - Long 45.10 East

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November the 25th passed the Island of St Paul but did not stop on account of thick hazy weather. Steered off 88 by 8 for compass & saw a great many fin backs until the 29th but no right whales. 29th moderate breezes from west with frequent squalls ship with top mast studding sail set steering 88 by 8 the former part of the day saw a great number of fin backs the latter part nothing in sight but birds, O could I be at home to night I would give all my old shoes and have in a pair of boots to make good measure Good Lord protect us & give us success, Abby P. Newman.
Latt 40.47 South Long 83.49 East

November the 30th the day light breezes from west and cloudy nothing of the whale kind. I begin to feel down hearted, but I think we will find them by and by

December the 1st 1852 the day commences with increasing breezes from the north and cloudy saw several fin backs where is the right whales I wish I knew.

Latt 41.06 South Long 88.52 East

December the 9th the past eight days strong gales from the westward & rugged weather saw quantities of fin backs this day light breezes from the west and fine weather South Latt 42.17 East Long 118.36

December the 20th

Strong gales from S W with rain & rugged weather ship running under close reef'd main top sail & fore sail at 2 PM saw a school of sperm whales hard luck appears to attend us thus far South Latt 44.00 = East Long 150.45

Dec²²nd light airs from N E and overcast sky 5 months out with 6 bbls of black fish oil Newman's got the hypo. Latt 42.40 Long 150.36

Friday February 25th 1853

light breezes and fine weather saw a school of sperm whales and got one to the boat the first whale heave we begin the Lord only knows where we shall end Latt 21.35 S Long 150.00 W

Saturday Feby the 26th

fresh trades and fine weather at day light called all hands to cut the whale at 7 AM finished and began to boil & kept at west at sunset saw the Island of Rorotonga bearing N by S through the night was set to the south 20 miles by the current

Barge Lovington

Sunday February 27th light breezes and fine weather at 12 M finished boiling 25 lbs of Sperm at 2 P.M. saw the Island of Horotong at 11 P.M. it bore East at short dist

Monday February 28th

Strong trades with fair weather at 7 A.M. I went on shore and got some potatoes oranges & bananas, and four latives. at 4 P.M. came and stood off to the North in company with the ship Tahmaroo of Fair Haven Capt Seal with his wife on board & 200 lbs of whale oil

Tuesday March the 1st light breezes and fine weather all sail set steering S by W the Tahmaroo in company see nothing of the whale kind Lat 19.41 Long 160.36

Wednesday March the 2nd light breezes & fine weather Ship by the wind heading S by W the ship in company a few miles off this afternoon I have been in great pain from a cold took two doses of Carter Oil and got relief at 7 P.M. nothing of the whales south Lat 17.30 West Long 160.58

Thursday March the 3rd

all this day light air from the N & S pleasant the ship of yesterday in company see nothing of the whale kind

Friday March 4th

All this day baffling squalls from the North & N.W. all sail out tacking occasionally to work to the North the Tahmaroo ahead 10 miles off Lat 14.22 South Long 161.35 W

Saturday March the 5th

Now we've got a new president I hope we shall have better winds and plenty of whales all this day squally from the Northward the ship on different tacks according as the wind favours Tahmaroo in sight from abeam nothing of the whale kind south Lat 13.40 West Long 162.18

Sunday March the 6th 1853

all the day light breezes from the Northward and fair weather, the ship on different tacks working to the North. the ship in sight to the N.E. see nothing of the whale kind O for a fair wind to carry us among the Bowheads, for this is slow progress.
Lat 13.21 South Long by Shore 161.18 West

March the 7th all the day baffling squalls mostly from the N & W improving every opportunity to get to the North our consort 4 miles off to the Northward this is trying to soul and bairn, bairn, & girard, leave we are who can help it nothing of the whale kind to cheer our disponding spirits
Lat 12.53 south Long 161.33 West

Tuesday March the 8th

all the day baffling squalls from the North & West with occasional showers of rain the ship on different tacks working to the Northward our consort in sight 10 miles off to the N.E. this is hard heading nothing of the whale kind
Lat 11.55 Long 161.45

Wednesday March the 9th

the first part of this day a baffling breeze from S & North the latter part a light air from S & E and extremely warm weather our consort in sight to the N.E. 10 miles off went by wind the Lovington toward the North pole our progress is slow but I suppose it is sure nothing of the whale kind, O for a steam boat for 10 days only
Lat 11.40 south Long 162.09

Thursday March 10th

all this day a fine breeze from N.E. with fair weather, steering N & W with all sail set at 9 A.M. the ship Tahmaroo went out of sight having been in sight of us for the past 10 days, Employed through the day Coopering 25 lbs of sperm oil and getting ready to knock the ship tomorrow to kill the rats, for they are getting quite numerous and very destructive, see nothing of the whale kind
Lat 10.28 Long 162.39

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Barque Covington of Warren R.I. 1853

Friday March the 11th this day A brisk breeze from NNE and fair Weather. Steering NNE Employed Smoaking the Ship to kill the rats at 4 P.M. took off the hatches and found about 18 dozen dead over nothing of the whale kind to day. O see Days weeks & months pass away without getting anything to starten the voyage I wish I knew of some method to make Whales. I would adopt it at once & go to work
Lat 6.23 South Long 163.14 West

Saturday March the 12th continue to brisk breeze from the ENE with fine Weather course N 34 W Employed Coopering the floor & stowing down the spermaceti see nothing of the whale kind. Where are they
Lat 6.08 Long 164.23.

Sunday March the 13th all there 26 hours & fine breeze & fair weather Ship steering N 34 W with all sail set. Nothing in sight & we meeting to go to, we hear not the sound of the church going bell Lat 03.48 South Long 168.24 West

Monday March the 14th Continue brisk trades with fair weather all sail set to the breeze steering N 34 W Employed Coopering the bread the most heads well made but nothing in sight it seems very hard to go from week to week without seeing anything, but maybe the luck will turn
Lat 01.29 South Long 166.42

Tuesday March the 15th Brisk trades and fine Weather all sail set to the breeze, steering N 34 W myself and the cooper employed repairing old casks, another day gone and nothing in sight
Lat 1.19 North = Long 168.00 West

Wednesday March the 16th Strong trades and equally at 10 P.M. broke the flying jib boom Employed to day repairing the damage ship under double reef'd Breaching to it ever with rugged weather nothing in sight Lat 4.07 S Long 169.16 West

Oh how I wish that I could see my Abby & little boy & girl but it cannot be so I must console my self by thinking of the many happy days we've passed together, but I find thinking a poor consolation, God bless my wife & children, amen.

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Bound Northward

Thursday March the 17th all this day strong gales from N E and rugged equally weather the ship under double reef'd top sail, jib & main sail & giving to it course N 34 W yet see nothing. Lat 6.16 North Long 170.20 West

Friday March the 18th this day strong gales and rugged ship under double reef'd top sail steering N 34 W by wnd she is a regular Clipper, for she makes the water fly from the stem to stern port, Capt & Cooper setting up shrouds, bad weather for Coopering, see nothing
Lat 8.16 North Long 171.43 West

Saturday March the 19th A continuation of strong gales from the N E and rugged weather ship under double reef'd top sail, jib & courses going as fast as she can N 34 W by wnd making the water fly like a Clipper she is pointed for the big reef I hope she is pointed right nothing of the whale kind
Lat 10.16 S - Long 172.58 West

Sunday March the 20th all this day fresh gales from N E and rugged weather ship with all present sail set steering N 34 W by wnd see nothing of the whales
North Lat 12.06 = West Long 173.07

Monday March the 21st all this day strong breezes from N E and rugged course N 34 W by wnd under whole top sail & main top gallant sail, rigged out the flying jib boom, nothing of the whale kind
Lat 14.06 S Long 175.28 West

Tuesday March the 22nd this day strong trades & fair weather, bent a new main topsail & broke the flying jib boom & mizzen cut from home with 30 bbls hard luck, I hope it will be better the next 4 months. We are drawing up with the bow heads fast I hope they will be tame & fat
Lat 16.30 S Long 176.48 West

Remarks on Board Bark Compton of Warren

Wednesday March the 23rd

this day strong trades from S E with squally rugged weather all present sail set steering N by E. nothing of the Whales
Lat^t by Obs 18 22. 34^S Long 174. 01 East

Thursday March the 24th

Strong gales from the North with rugged weather ship under present sail standing to the Westward this is a hard wind & I don't think it blows fair for any body
Lat^t 19. 14 Long 179. 21 West

Friday March the 25

Strong gales from SSW and rugged weather ship under short sail heading to the S E O my Home & its cherished inmates how Blest is the man that is surrounded with his family & friends
North Lat^t 18. 15 West Long 179. 16

Saturday March the 26th this day the wind has been moderate from the SSW with a bad swell coming from the North ship by the wind heading to the Westward see nothing of the whale kind
Lat^t by Obs 19. 17 North Long 179. 36 West

Tuesday March the 29th Strong gales from S E with thick rainy weather the middle part fair but the latter part stormy course SSW
Lat^t 23. 17 North Long 178. 34 East

Thursday March the 31st

this day light breezes from the Southward and fair weather saw two fin backs four degrees farther North I hope to find a whale
Lat^t by Obs 28. 00 Long 177. 50 East

Friday April the 1st

the first part calm & pleasant the latter part a fresh breeze from the North with fog squalls saw one fin back rose now for top sail braces, reef tacks, & clewlines
Lat^t 28. 57 Long 177. 01

Tuesday April the 5th 1853

this day light breezes from S E and fine weather all drawing sail set steering SSW nothing in sight
Lat^t 33. 20 South Long 174. 01 East

Wednesday April the 6th

this day light breezes from the south with fine pleasant weather the most head well made but nothing in sight but Portuguese manglings
Lat^t 34. 40 North Long 173. 46 East

Thursday April the 7th

all this day light airs from S E and pleasant weather course SSW nothing in sight I wish some whales would come along this good weather I would bid them to hearty welcome & take them in & do for them, O Lord prosper us, & give us success in our business Bless our family & friends at home & return us in safety, thus prays Newman & thus he will ever pray
Lat^t 34. 48 North Long 173. 40 East

Friday April the 8th light breezes from the SSW fine weather saw a school of Killers, no whale
Lat^t 35. 39 North Long 172. 38 East

Saturday April the 9th

the first part a brisk breeze from S W with occasional rain squalls at 10 AM in fly gib fore topmast studding sail & fore top gallant sail the latter part the wind veering to the Westward saw a few fin backs where in the right whale
Lat^t by Obs 37. 21 North - Long by Obs 171. 28 East

Sunday April the 10th

Calm all day with cool pleasant weather saw one fin back no breaker to day
Lat^t 38. 02 - Long 171. 35 East

Monday April the 11 Commences with a strong breeze from the SSW with thick hazy weather ship steering S W latter part increasing to a gale from the S S W, at 4 PM double reef'd the top sail furled gib & main sail, see nothing of the whale kind
Lat^t by Obs 39. 11 = Long 170. 01 East

Tuesday April the 12th heavy gales from West lying too heading Northward Latt 40.30 Long 170.20 East

Wednesday April the 13th

Strong gales from South and cold cloudy weather ship under Double reef'd top sail steering N.W. Latt 40.57 Long 170.28 East

from 14th to 15th Strong gales from Westward attended with cold rugged weather & squalls of snow see nothing Latt 43.55 Long 170.00

16th heavy gales attended us with cold weather we have been lying too the past 7 days the most of the time under bare poles saw one ship board to the Southward where did she come from Latt 46.00 Long 173.00

25th 26th heavy gales from SSW veering to NNE and blowing very heavy attended with a thick snow storm the ship plays well under bare poles saw the ship Isaac Hicks of New London bound to the Arctic 28th good weather with a breeze from the WNW nothing in sight set sail going to the Northward Latt 47.30 North Long 172. West

Thursday May the 19th at 3 AM saw the first bowheads lowered the boats & struck one to the larboard boat and at 6 AM took him to the ship at 8 began to cut & at 5 PM finished to first rate whale thank the Lord Latt 59.15 Long 170.30 East

Friday June the 3rd

A light breeze from the SW with fine pleasant weather ship heading NNE at 2 PM saw the land & sail and No Whalers the ships all bound NNE Latt by Obn 61.00 Long 176.15 East

hear we are June the 30th in Lat 63.15 N long 172.20 W without any wind & surrounded with a dense fog why not have good weather with plenty of Whales, it appears to me as though same fortune had singled us out to sport with it in now one month & 1/2 days since we caught our whale I thought then that we should have 1000 bbls at this time thus the castle was built, & it has fell.

O Lord prosper us in our calling. Help us Lord as thou didst the fisherman of old

July the 1st 1853 this day light breezes from SSE and thick hazy weather cleared NNE part of the day but see nothing of the Whales at 8 PM hauled up East Spoke the ship's Carolina, & California saw one Barge boiling No Whaler, No Whaler,

July the 2nd at 6 AM kept off S by E with a brisk breeze from SSE and hazy weather run until 2 PM and spoke ship South Boston, and wore ship to the SW see nothing of the Whales, the latter part of the day light breezes and fine weather Latt 64.10 Long 172.10 West

July the 3rd through the night A thick fog at 4 AM fair weather with 9 ships in sight & some of them Whaling, at 9 AM saw two Whalers & lowered the boats and at 9.30 a thick fog set in and we came on board again, the remainder of the day a light breeze from SSE with a thick fog ship on different tack

July the 4th 1856 the first & light breeze from the South with a thick fog at 2 AM the fog cleared off and saw Whalers plenty lowered the boats and chased them until 7 PM when it came on foggy again the Whalers very sly, I wish they could celebrate the 4th and all get gloriously drunk, & then I would well in for about 4 of them

July the 5th fresh breezes from the from South attended with rain & thick fog of all my hand luck this beats all it is now nearly two months since we have been near a whale, & wish I could see my dear Abby and children to night, I don't think I should leave them again until my spirits were more buoyant than they are at present

Wednesday July the 6th begins with a light breeze from the East and a thick fog, at 9 AM the fog cleared and saw the land, Cape bearing, Bearing North but 20 miles 16 ships in sight and no Whaler at 10 took a light breeze from the West and kept the ship SSW the latter part light breezes with frequent fog squalls. Lord help us get 5000 Bobt this year.

Thursday July the 7th the first part of the day calm with a thick fog, the latter part a brisk breeze from the East with frequent fog squalls, saw 16 ships Spoke Ships, Brac Hick, 3 Whalers, see no Whaler.

Friday July the 8th all this day a strong gale from the East with thick rainy weather, this is hard if I was alone I think I should be tempted to some rash act, such as murder or suicide, but I am surrounded with a plenty as poor as myself, Misery loves company.

Saturday July the 9th all this day a strong breeze from the SSW and thick rainy weather, dear we are I wish I knew where this place is, so that I could avoid it in future, I know that we are surrounded with fog but what dangers surround us I know not, No Whaler,

Sunday July the 10th the first part of the day fresh gales from E & E attended with fog and rain, at 10 AM it cleared off some and at 12 PM saw the land 15 miles off the latter part of the day rather better weather, but still continues to rain 17 ships in sight but no Whaler, Friends at home you live in a land where religion regulates the life and conservation of many around you, and each returning Sabbath you are blessed with the opportunity of joining the throng of Worshippers that flock to the house of god, but as they all assemble to pay their avotions for blessings received, I think not of all the blessings of home I am deprived, and have been for nearly half of my life time, yet there are some sunny spots & on them my memory loves to dwell

Monday July 11th all this day strong breeze from W & W and fair weather, saw two right Whaler and two Bow heads & three ships, the Whaler are wild

Tuesday July 12th the first part light air & fine weather the latter frequent fog squalls, at 6 PM set in a thick fog, saw 6 ships to day & one Whaler & chase him hard

Wednesday July the 13th 1853,

All this day light shifting air & Calm, saw two bow heads & chased them with the usual hard luck 6 ships in sight. One Abby Whaler in the Whaler Lat 64° 18' North, Long 177° 30' West, the land just in sight

Thursday July the 14 light breeze from the Westward and fine weather, steering along the land to the Eastward at night set in thick and shifted to the wind heading to the South Lat 64° 16' = Long 175° 25' West

Friday July the 15th Moderate breezes from SW hauling to the South, at 8 AM clearing up some, & kept off South in company with the Ship Hamlet, & General Scott of New London at 9 saw the land 10 miles off, & kept off SSW at 12 PM hauled aback, when the fog set in very thick, at 3 PM the fog lighted up some & saw the Ship New England of New London, rounded in 17° and lay aback until 4:30, & braced up heading East, 5 PM 25 fathoms at 7 light air with thick rainy weather, rounded in 28 fathoms

Saturday July 16th the first part a brisk breeze from the Eastward with a thick fog, the latter part a light breeze with fog & rain at 7 PM came to anchor in 25 fathoms

Sunday July the 17th commenced calm and foggy ship at 8 AM a light breeze from SSW and fair weather got under weigh & stood to the Eastward 16 ships in sight but no Whaler, No Whaler, the land 30 miles off Lat 64° 50'

Monday 18th foggy at intervals all day, see nothing Tuesday 19th at 9 AM the fog cleared off 16 ships in sight at 2 PM saw a Whaler and chased him without success 2 months to day since we got a Whaler at 10 PM set in foggy

Wednesday July the 20th strong breeze from the SSW with rain and fog, thick fog

Thursday July the 21st all day fresh breeze from SSW with its usual attendants fog & rain,

Friday July the 22nd one year out with 170 Bobt hard back the day calm with a thick fog, at 12 PM came to in 28 fathoms A strong current setting North, how I want to begin and get 1000 Bobt, & that will satisfy me for this season O Lord help us to little this time, do good Lord.

is my Abby & little boy & girl well to night god help them
one year from hence

Saturday July the 23rd all the day thick fog with buffeting
air of ship lying at anchor

Sunday July the 24th lying at S all day calm with
rain & thick fog

Monday July 25th commences with fresh breezes from
from North with thick hazy weather at 5 A.M. hove up
the S & left off South, at 11 A.M. set in & very thick fog
with strong gales. Double reef'd the top sail, & hauled too
heading to the Eastward at 1 P.M. more ship to the West
and furled the jib at 3 strong gales with a turbulent sea
and clear weather, saw Cape Krusenstern bearing W 55° W, 30 miles.
Spoke ship Dromes of Newfoundland at 5 P.M. furled the
fore top sail and set the fore sail

Tuesday July the 26th light breezes from Northward
with a head swell, 30 ships, this afternoon Whales plenty
but the boats make so much noise we cannot catch them

Wednesday July the 27th commences calm and foggy
at 10 A.M. the fog cleared off saw Whales and chased
them the remainder of the day without success
Whales and ships plenty, the Whales are wild as Devils
Lat 65.10. the land 12 miles off

Thursday July the 28th
fresh breeze from the South and
fog at 7 A.M. saw Whales lowered and chased them
until 2.30 P.M. & came on board to dinner 25 ships
and all chasing Whales but nobody can catch them
one ship boiling, Oh the poor Devil. Oil is rice

Friday July the 29th
commences with a light breeze
from SSW with thick fog at 9.30 A.M. the fog cleared
and lowered for Whales without success at 10.30 P.M.
blowing up strong gales with fog & rain.

Saturday July the 30th strong gales from SSW all day
attended with fog and rain & rain again

Sunday July the 31st strong gales from SSW with fog
and rain at 9 A.M. cleared off. The land 15 miles off
12 ships in sight 2 boiling, 40 Whales at 10 P.M.
not in foggy again

North Lat 65.12
West long 171.12

Monday August the 1st 1853

Strong gales from SSW
of with fog and rain at 10 P.M. the fog cleared off
and the wind hauled to the North

Tuesday the 2nd Moderate breezes and fair weather
Steering East for Kings Island No Whales
Lat 65.16 Long 170.00

Wednesday the 3rd light air from the South
and cloudy at 8 A.M. calm and foggy
at 1 P.M. the fog cleared off with a breeze
from the North at 11 P.M. passed Kings Island

Thursday the 4th all day a light breeze from the
North and fair weather working to windward for
port Clarence,

Friday the 5th calm and pleasant at 6 A.M. came
to S and got 4 boat loads of wood, and at 4 P.M.
got under weigh and stood to the Westward

Saturday the 6th fine weather all day with a
light breeze from East saw 25 ships, no Whales

Sunday the 7th all the day strong breeze from
SE and thick fog

Monday August the 8th all day strong breeze
from SSW with thick fog fog fog

Tuesday the 9th Moderate breezes with thick rain
storm saw Ship Bowditch

Sunday the 29th of August, fresh breeze from SSW and good
weather at 9 A.M. saw Whales, lowered & struck one to the
Bow Boat and at 11 A.M. took him to the Ship, 25 ships
in sight several boiling, Lat 68.00 N. Long 169.45 West

Friday Sept the 2nd light breezes with thick rainy
weather at 6.30 P.M. lowered the boats and struck a whale
to the larboard boat and at 9 P.M. took him to the ship
A large fat whale, thank the good lord for a little good luck
Lat 67.58 Long 169.40 West

Bark Covington. Left Chan Nov 9th 1853
on a cruise proceeding South to the Line and running
to the Westward in the Lat of 1° 40' south, saw one
school of Sperm Whales in long 165° West but
did not get any. touched at Hope Island Decr 10th
after which cruised about the line about 3 weeks
without seeing anything. Started for Apension and
arrived there on the 11th of Janvry 1854, procured Wood and
water. Hogs. jams. flour. &c and sailed Janvry 25th to cruise
Janvry 28th saw the Island of Roto. got a few fowls and
gave the old bark the fore top mast studding sail
barns to the Westward

Sunday Feb 5th pleasant breezes and fine weather
all sail set to the breeze steering W of N.
I feel to day almost rejected. for day after day & month
after month goes away without seeing anything I know
not what fate has in reserve for me, but I trust it
is better luck than attended me the past 18 months,
at 2 P.M. got a dinner long 132° 31'. 45" East by strong 132° 31'
North Lat 17° 28'

Monday Feb 6th Strong trades with good weather
the old bark bearing off to the Westward & I hope
that in 6 months more she will be bearing off to
the Eastward again. A full ship & homeward bound
god grant it. it will be the happiest day of the voyage
Oh what a life to live is his that goes to Whaling
and leaves an affectionate wife with small children
with no support but charity, ^{Over to care in some way unknown}
A man would be pleased to have a letter from some living
being that resides upon the land. I would like to know
if there such a place as Bristol R.I. in existence, and
whether or not, the Rail Road is completed, if there
is any rewards for neglect, there is several in Bristol that
are deserving, North Lat 18. 28 East long 129. 65

Tuesday Feb 7th Moderate breezes from E & N.E
with fine pleasant weather. All sail set steering
W & N another day gone but nothing in sight
it is hard but I suppose some people will call it
fair, I shant mind it much if I have a chance with
the rest of them Peter enjoys good health and I hope
the rest of my family is enjoying the same blessing
I would give a pair of old shoes to see them to night
O most Merciful Father keep them with health and
happiness, peace & plenty and true Religion, plenty of
paper, ink and a box of pens, and inspire their hearts
to write me plenty of letters.

North Lat 19. 15 East long 127. 13

Bark Covington Wednesday Feb 8th 1854
this day a light breeze from the ESE & pleasant weather
steering W & N. the latter part the wind slight
and baffling with over cast sky hope the ship will go
for Monmouth Island 180 miles off. No Whaler comes in sight
to cheer us up, every thing tends to dishearten I turn to
the future for consolation, North lat 20. 00 East long 125. 15

Thursday, 9th light air from Eastward with piping clouds
ship steering W by S. plenty of dolphin about the ship
and caught 8 of them at 3 P.M. killed to hog which is
intended for dinner tomorrow, slothing of the whaler
North Lat 20. 21. East Long 123. 25

Friday 10th at Day light saw Monmouth Island
ran down to the leeward of it and went on shore
to procure game and took off one boat load and
the ship lay off & on through the night with strong
trades from the N.E

Saturday 11th strong trades & squally from the N.E
it being too rugged to carry off recruits in the boats
ran in anchored in 20 fathoms at 5.30 P.M. finished
taking off 3 tons of jams & potatoes & commenced
heaving up the anchor when, Ransleare Waldron,
Sylvester Littlefield, William Reinington, and
Frank Smith, boat steers, and Josl Sylvia foremost
had refused to leave up the anchor on account
of not having liberty. I talked with them to no
purpose, when I promised them 1 day's liberty each

Sunday 12th strong trades from the East all day at 7.30
the watch went on shore to have there drunk
and at 8.30 they returned, with the exception of 3 who
got drunk & fell down in it I hope they will die their
I suppose that there is more drunks on board the
Covington than any other ship in the Pacific Ocean it will
require more than one father Mathew to reform them

Monday 13th at Day light the ship drags her anchor
and went to sea, hove it up and stowed it and set
sail on the ship to work to windward at 9 AM went
on shore with the harbors watch put 2 in prison
that had been on shore all night at 5 P.M. all returned
on board & left the ship off N.E bound the Japan
and I pray the good lord to give us a prosperous season
send us plenty of whalers and I will do my best to
take good care of them

Bark Covington from Monmouth Island bound to the Japan. C
 Tuesday February the 15th 1855 A steady breeze from S.E and
 fine pleasant weather all sail set. Steering N.E by E.
 North Lat 21.39. East Long 129.24

Wednesday the 15th A brisk breeze from the South and
 fine pleasant weather steering N.E until 2 P.M and
 kept off N.W. saw a Hump Back, that, something
 it is said to be the Darkest just before day, if so I think it
 moist time for the day to dawn with us for it has been
 dark for the past 18 months, is Abby by the boy well to night,
 Has a love of adventure & promise of gold
 or an ardent desire to roam.

Ever tempted you for over the watery world,
 away from your kindred and home

Have you heard the most head man ring out their blow
 Seen the boats gallantly leave the ships side
 On the giant fish with beneath the harpooner's blow
 while the blue sky with crimson was dyed
 Lat By Obs 22.18 North. Long By Obs 125.65 East

Thursday the 16th A strong breeze from the S.S.W with
 pleasant weather all sail set to the breeze. Steering N.N.E
 at 11 A.M the wind changed suddenly & came in heavy gusts
 from the North, called all hands, took in sail and hove too
 under close reef'd main top sail heading West, at 7 P.M
 the wind hailing to the Eastward, wore ship to the S.S.E.
 North Lat 24.30 - East Long 126.60

Friday 17th fresh gales from N.E with cool cloudy weather
 Ship lying too, at 8 A.M caught to large dolphin, at sunset the
 weather more moderate but still blowing strong from N.E
 O could I be at Home to night. I dont know of any inducement
 that would tempt me to leave before morning, god Bless my
 wife & children & return me to them in health, with a prosperous voyage
 North Lat 24.20 - East Long 126.00

Saturday 18th A light breeze from E.N.E and fine
 pleasant weather, at day light set all sail standing
 to the North, at 12 M saw the Island of Typhonian
 bearing West Dist 10 leagues, the latter part light airs
 inclining to be calm, at 7 P.M A pleasant breeze and
 kept the ship N by W. I feel strongly impelled with the
 idea the we shall fill the Old Bark this season
 whether it is a fancy arising from a disordered brain or not
 remains to be seen, god grant the impression may be true
 Saturday night Abby I hope that all the good people that
 pray tomorrow will recollect to ask a blessing for us of the
 Covington, North Lat 24.60 - East long 126.00

Sunday February the 19th this day a brisk breeze from
 the North with fair weather the ship with all sail set
 steering North, piping strong tide rigs frequently.
 We have no church to attend, to day were exempted from
 all church going, for we are not among the favoured multitudes
 who have new coats & hats to exhibit, gladly would I avail
 myself of the privilege more I permitted but each returning
 Sabbath finds me on the ocean far from all I hold dear,
 During the night the wind changed to the Westward with
 a heavy shower of rain took in main topgallant sail &
 double reef'd the topgallants, nothing of the whale kind
 North Lat 26.24 - East Long 125.48

Monday Feb 20th the day commenced fair, but 7 A.M
 came up equally and continued equally at intervals
 throughout the day, wind hauling gradually to the North
 with cool bracing weather. Nothing of the whale kind
 at 1 P.M double reef'd the topgallants & sent a new main
 spinnaker at 7 P.M veered ship to the W.N.W.
 North Lat 28.44 East Long 126.05

Thursday, Feb 23rd this day moderate breezes from N.N.E
 with an overcast sky, the past two days have had a
 hard gale from the North with cold weather & bad sea
 such is life on the ocean, I wish myself at home with my
 wife & children, seated by a good fire & eating apples
 or I would willingly go without the apples, to be there
 O Lord watch over us keep us in health & give us prosperity
 and as the years roll round, I hope to find myself with
 my family on some May morning & enjoying all the blessings
 of a happy home, Lat By Act 27.40 - Long By Act 125.50 East

Friday Feb 24th the former part of the day strong gales
 from the S.S.E accompanied with rain, the latter part
 more moderate with cloudy weather, prudent sail
 set heading N.W. at 4 P.M veered ship to the East
 saw one fin back & a quantity of birds
 adverse winds & rough equally weather attend us, and
 I do most solemnly protest against it, in witness
 whereof I do hereby subscribe A. M. Newman
 given this 24th day of February in the year of our lord
 1855, With my thoughts intent on a full ship & my
 wife & children at home,

Bark Covington of Warren R.I. in the Eastern
 Sea of China, in lat 27.95 N - long 125.30 East

Saturday Feby 25th 1854 this day commences with a light breeze from the N.E. and cloudy weather the ship by the wind with all sail set heading S.W. the sun coming out at intervals, the latter part the breeze inclining more to the Eastward & at 5 P.M. left her course N by E. saw a number of Albatross & a few Gulls but nothing of the Whale kind, to cheer us on our journey, Desolation marks our track. Saturday night again one week farther on the journey but we have not accomplished any of the purposes for which the journey was undertaken, "for 6 months past we have not taken a drop of oil", O fortune Smile on us once more
Lat 28° 10' North - Long. By Chron 125° 30' East

Sunday Feby 26th the first part of the day calm with rising clouds, the latter part a breeze springing up from the S.W. and cloudy, ship steering N by E. saw one Hump back, going to the Westward, O dear when shall we be repaid for all the toil & anxiety that invariably accompanies a Whaling voyage, North Lat 28° 55' = East Long 125° 20'

Monday February the 27th commences with a strong breeze from the S.W. with occasional fog squalls at 9 A.M. double reef'd the top sail, saw three Hump Backs & a number of gulls and one Swallow, the latter part of the day the wind veering to the North with rain, at 6 P.M. took in sail and hove too heading E.N.E.
Lat 30° 00' North - Long 125° 40' East

Tuesday Feby 28th all day fresh gales from North with cold cloudy weather set double reef'd top sail and fore sail heading E.N.E. at 5 P.M. wore ship to the West see nothing to day Lat 30° 12' - Long 126° 30'

Wednesday March the 1st the first part strong breezes with rugged cloudy weather the latter part a brisk breeze from North and fair weather saw one Hump back Adverse winds attend us & our progress is slow

Thursday March the 2^d commences with a moderate breeze from the Eastward and fine pleasant weather, set all sail steering North, at 4 P.M. strong breeze & furled flag & reef'd top sail & main topgallant sail, at 6 P.M. took in sail for the night and shifted to the wind heading N.E. saw a fin back & plenty of rock weed Lat 30° 50' - Long 126° 00'

Friday March 3^d all this day light breeze from the Eastward with thick rainy weather ship lying to Melvin

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Oh, scenes beloved greet ye mine eyes once more And to my longing heart the past restore, Come with your gilded bower, your blossom rare That cheater life's rough path of half its care, I call ye and I list - A dismal moan Breaks on mine ear telling ye far have flown

Voice beloved, tell me where wake ye now The rapturous music of loves treasured now Fill, fill my spirit sad with the sweet flow That soothed the troubled thoughts of long ago Oh voices loved mused in my heart for years - Speak - and with charmed accents tell my fears

Saturday March the 4th this day a moderate breeze from the Westward attended with fog & rain the ship by the wind under easy sail heading to the North, at 6 P.M. took in sail for the night Lat 31° 35' North - Long 126° 15' East nothing of the Whales

Sunday March the 5th all this day to light breeze from S.W. and cloudy all sail set heading N.E. saw 4 Hump Backs going quick to the Westward, I hope to find some Right Whales soon, for we need some Oil very much 2,000 bbls would be very acceptable, at the same time I feel willing to work hard to get it
Lat 31° 40' North Long 126° 40' East

Monday March the 6th commences with a light breeze from the N.E. and cloudy ship by the wind heading S.E. saw plenty birds and one Hump back at 2 P.M. saw Quelpart Island bearing S.E. dist 50 miles

Tuesday March 7th all day strong gale from E.N.E. with rugged cloudy weather ship lying to a head wind for every bodey I know

8th & 9th heavy N.E. gales with large tumbling sea ship lying to, heading on different tacks under close reef main top sail main Spencer & fore top mast stay sail, O these gales I do most solemnly protest against them, for I can see no good effects from them, they make me think of my Home and its cherished inmates

Friday 10th heavy N.E. gale with a bad sea

Saturday 11th heavy gale from S.E. with a thick rain storm and a bad sea, at 8 P.M. changed to S.W. and commenced blowing again, Kill'd a hog intended for dinner tomorrow

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Sunday March the 12th Commences with a strong gale from N³⁰W and very rugged ship lying too heading N⁴⁵E at 12 M set the fore sail & at 4 P.M. set Double reef'd top sails.

Monday March the 13th at day light a moderate breeze from N²⁵W and cloudy weather, set all sail heading N⁸, latter part strong breezes from N⁴⁵E with Squally appearances, Lat^t 31° 40' North Long 129.00 East

Tuesday March the 14th commences with strong gales from N⁴⁵E and thick cloudy weather at Day light set Double reef'd top sail. Heading N^W A sail in sight ahead at 10 AM moderate and set all sail at 2 P.M. set in to rain storm, Employed building "A hog house" the latter part the wind hauled to the South & increasing to a gale. Hope is the privilege, perseverance the Duty of Man, let us faithfully use these bounties, and leave the issue with god and his all wise disposal
North Lat 32.00 - East Long 126.00

Wednesday March the 15th A heavy gale from the North with cold cloudy weather ship lying too

Thursday March the 16th A heavy gale from the North and clear, at 4 AM saw 3 Right Whales but it is too rugged to lower the boats
Lat^t 31.25 - long 126.16

Friday March the 17th all this day light breeze from the Northward, & pleasant weather all sail set on different tacks trying hard to get to the North at 3 P.M. saw 2 Right Whales going quick to the Eastward lowered four boats & chased one hour without success.

Saturday March the 18th all this day a light air from the N⁸⁰E Ship heading N³⁰W, with fine pleasant weather nothing in sight to make us glad and cheer our sick heart

Sunday March the 19th commences with a light breeze from the East and fine weather, all sail set heading N⁴⁵E at 12 M Quelpot Island bore N⁴⁵W first 45 miles, the latter part the breeze hauled to S⁸E, course N⁸E at 6 P.M. spoke Barque North America of New London from Hong Kong informed me that the Bowditch was lying there with 300 Bbls all hands deserted, I feel sorry for Malvern and hope that I shall be exempted from such luck

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Monday March the 20th commences with a strong breeze from the S^W with a thick rain storm, all sail set steering N⁸E by E at 8 AM hauled up N⁸, for Corea Straits at 10.30 the wind hauled to the North and commenced blowing strong Double reef'd the top sails & furled main sail, at 1 P.M. wind N⁸E and veered ship to the N²⁵W, at 4 P.M. it stopped raining & cleared up some, saw the Islands in the Straits bearing N⁴⁵E by E Dist 15 Leagues, the North America in company Lat^t 33.45' North - Long 128.23 East

Tuesday March the 21st commences with strong breezes from the N⁸E with fair weather at 4 AM set all sail working to the Windward Corea in sight had a gale with the North America, another ship in sight to the leeward the latter part moderate breezes and fine weather Lat^t 34.00 North - long 129.45

Wednesday March the 22nd commences with a brisk breeze from the N⁸E with fair weather the ship with all sail set standing on different tacks working to the Windward, at 2 P.M. took a light breeze from the N^W and kept her N⁸E and at 2 P.M. entered the Japan Sea in company with the North America, A ship astern not known, here we go Lord prosper us

Thursday March the 23rd commences with a strong breeze from the W⁸W and clear cool weather, at 8 AM increasing gales Double reef'd the top sail and furled the main sail course N⁴⁵E, at 12 M moderating and set all sail steering N⁸E. Ends with a light breeze from the S^W and pleasant saw several fin backs but no right whales
Lat^t 34.00 - long by chron 130.35 - by sun 130.25 - East

Friday March 24th A fresh breeze from S^W with pleasant weather set all sail steering North saw Dogrel Island, No Whales, at 8 P.M. kept off East, saw one Whale going quick N^W, at 3 P.M. saw 2 Whales going quick S^W, at 4 P.M. saw two Whales lowered and chased them without success
Lat^t 36.52' North - long 131.15 East

Saturday March the 25th Heavy gales from N⁸²W with sail squalls ship lying too under close reef'd main top sail
Lat^t 36.53 - long 132.21 East

Sunday March the 26th Commences with a strong gale from N.W attended with frequent squalls of hail & snow, the Island of Okinawa in sight bearing SSW Dist 40 Miles. at 10 AM set the fore topmast double reefed and set jib & spanker. A very bad swell coming from the North, see nothing of the Whales to day, from 6 to 7 PM the old black bow had eleven pigs.
North Latt 36.48 = Long 132.47 East

Monday March the 27th Strong breeze from N.W with hail squalls & Whales, two ships in sight at night the wind shifted to the N.E with snow & hail and freezing weather Latt 37.17 Long 132.45

Tuesday March the 28th commences with light breezes from N.E with pleasant cool weather, at 6 AM saw Whales and lowered the boats & hove one to the waist boat, that is worse than hard luck, saw 8 Whales to day and lowered the boats 4 times
North Latt 37.37 - East Long 132.12

Wednesday March the 29th all this day strong gales from SSW with rugged hazy weather, saw 3 Whales through the day, breezing & saw the bark North America of New London Lat 37.53 - Long 132.01 East

Thursday March 30th all this day squally from the Westward, with snow & hail & quite rugged weather saw one Whale

Friday March the 31st all day a strong breeze from the West with clear rugged weather Employed all day chasing Whales without success, the Whales are plenty but very wild one ship in sight
Lat 38.12 - Long 132.27

Saturday April the 1st the first part light breezes from S.W with fine weather, the latter part thick drizzling weather, saw but one Whale to day, at 6.30 PM Spoke Ship Parachute of New Bedford at night a heavy gale from SSW with rain

Sunday April the 2nd cold cloudy weather and squally from the Westward set Double reefed topmasts and kept off East saw no Whales to day

Monday April the 3rd 1854 the first part of the day squally from the Westward, at 7 AM saw Whales & lowered & chased them without success. Lowered the boats 4 times to day but cannot get fast to a whale, they are wild as the Devil
Lat 38.26 North Long 133.07 East

Tuesday April the 4th the first part light air and fair weather, the latter part a fresh breeze from SSW with a bad swell from the North, the latter part of the day Whales plenty but very shy of the boats I feel to night as though I would like to be at home holding the baby, and away from the ears and anxiety that now vexes me, it is enough to make a devil of a Christian hearer, hoping we may get a large fat whale tomorrow, Amen,
Lat 38.17 = Long 133.46

Wednesday April the 5th light air from the N.E and hazy weather, saw several Whales going quick to the S.E lowered the boats twice without success.
Lat 38.08 - Long 133.58

Thursday April the 6th all day a hard gale from W.S.W with rugged weather Old woman is sick with a bad cough & soar throat.

Friday the 7th Moderate cloudy weather and no Whales in sight

Saturday the 8th light breezes from the Westward and fine pleasant weather steering off E.N.E in company with ship Celia of New Bedford, saw several Hump Backs
Lat 37.53 = Long 136.25

Sunday April the 9th light breezes from the Eastward with pleasant weather steering off W.W by W.8^o M by N^o at 2 PM saw Whales lowered and chased them until 5 PM without success, is the Whales ever going to be tame, who can answer the question, I have my doubts
North Lat 38.12 - East Long 136.00

Monday April the 10th light breezes and cloudy weather set all sail steering off Westward at 8 saw Whales and lowered for them without success, saw a junk bound to the south, the Whales are scattering and wild as young upstart cots
Lat 38.10 Long 136.16

Tuesday April the 11th Strong breeze from North, kept off W 8W, at 8 AM saw Whales and chased them until 1 PM Whales Wild
Lat 38.00 Long 132.28

Wednesday the 12 of April A Brisk breeze from the North and pleasant Weather set all sail heading to the Eastward saw two Whales going NNE,
Lat 37.50 Long 133.02, saw 8 had pigs

Thursday the 13th of April, all day calm and pleasant Weather Nothing in sight. Now I would change situations with any man that lives on shore & has got a good natured wife with not more than 13 children, how blessed the life the whaler leads, racing from pole to pole,
Lat 37.48 = Long 133.23

Friday April the 14th A Moderate breeze from the SW with fine Weather all sail set steering NNE at 3 PM saw a whale & chased him two hours with the usual hard luck
Lat 38.27 Long 134.11 East

Saturday April the 15th light air from the SW with warm pleasant Weather Employed all day chasing Whales, at 3 PM shot a bomb into one but he went off with it at 5.30 struck one to the bow boat and the iron broke, I wish the blacksmith had it in his chased the whale until sunset & came on board, now I hope to have better luck, we have lowered the boats 25 times & struck one & had one missed, Lord help us North Lat 38.37 = East Long 135.04

Sunday April the 16th Strong breezes from SW with fair saw a few Whales to day but cannot strike them, Lat 38.40 Long 135.00

Monday April the 17th Moderate breezes from the SE with good Weather saw 5 Whales through the day & chased them with the usual success
Lat 38.32 Long 135.37

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Sunday April the 23 the past 5 days have had bad weather with a heavy gale from the SW Spoke ship David Wood of New Bedford, have seen a few Whales but cannot strike them

Monday April the 24 commences with a strong breeze from the North with a bad swell coming from SSW set double reef'd top sail heading ENE at 1 PM more moderate and set all sail 2 sail in sight 8 Whales, Lat 38.50 Long 135.00

Tuesday April the 25th the first part light breeze from South and cloudy weather the latter part fresh gales and rugged saw 7 Right Whales and chased them without success Lat 38.47 Long 134.45

Wednesday April the 26th A brisk breeze from WSW kept off East saw nothing until 5 PM when saw 3 Right Whales lowered and chased until sun set Lat 38.45 Long 135.52

Thursday April the 27th brisk breeze from south and smokey weather set all sail steered off SSW spoke ship Chariot, at 4 PM hauled to the Westward saw two Whales going South
Lat 39.40 Long 138.00

Friday April the 28 Strong breezes from NSE and rugged weather saw three Whales spoke bark Active of New Bedford
Lat 38.50 Long 138.11

Saturday April the 29th fresh gales from SW and rugged steering of West chased Whales twice to day but they are wild and I am off
Lat 38.40 Long 136.33

Sunday April the 30th commences with a light air from the South and pleasant weather chased 5 Whales going quick different courses
Lat 38.23 Long 136.23

Monday April May 1st Strong gales from South and rugged weather spoke ship Minyard of Edgartown saw 5 Whales and chased them

Tuesday May the 2^d Commences with a strong breeze from SSW and thick rainy weather lowered the boats twice for Whalers without success at 10 AM kept off NNE, at 3 spoke ship Caravan one whale ends calm no Whales Latt 38.54 Long 136.10

Wednesday May 3^d Commences with a strong gale from N by E and rugged weather, ship under double reefed top sail heading SSW at 7 AM more ship to the East at 1 PM spoke ship George Howland of New Bedford reported ship Bowditch of Warren at 2 PM the wind hauling to the Eastward and more ship to the south seen no Whales to day Latt 39.22 Long 136.10 Sunmer 136.15

Thursday May the 4th commences with a moderate breeze from SSW and cloudy weather with a bad swell from the Eastward course NNE with all sail set at 3 PM the wind changed to SW at 4 fresh gales from WSW and fore & light sails at 7 strong gales and hove too

Friday May the 5th commences with strong breezes from SW and fair weather at 4 AM set all sail steering NNE by E through light airs, at 3 PM the breeze hauled to the NNE and set in foggy at 6 PM light breezes from NNE and cloudy Latt 40.83 Long by Chron 138.01 30° by sunmer 139.55 30°

Saturday May the 6th all this day light baffling airs and cloudy weather, at 7 PM a light air from SE steering in for the Straits of Matsumai nothing of the whale kind, this day is the 34th Anniversary of my birth, 16 of them I have passed at sea Latt 41.01 Long 139.04

Sunday May the 7th commences with a brisk breeze from the South and pleasant weather, off the Island of Orima steering in for the Straits of Matsumai at 10 the wind hauled to the SSE Worked to the windward until 6 PM and kept off SW by W for Pescador Straits

Monday May the 8th commences with a brisk gale from the South and thick rainy weather steering to the Northward saw the ship Caravan & North Star bound North

Tuesday May the 9th light breeze from West and fine weather all sail set steering ENE, at night the wind hauled to NNE fresh gales, four sail in sight.

Wednesday May the 10th Moderate breeze from the NNE and fair weather, veering gradually to the Southward at 12 M kept E by N for Pescador Straits, at 10 PM Tee Shee Island bore South Dist 20 miles, hauled up East for the Straits

Thursday May the 11th through the night the current set us North 18 miles, at 7 AM the entrance to the Straits bore SSW with an increasing breeze from SSW and thick rainy weather, at 7 PM the SW cape of Matsumai bore West Dist 7 leagues, same time tacked ship to the S by W,

Saturday June the 3rd fresh breezes from the North and rugged, at 3 PM lowered for a bowhead and struck to the bowboat & the Iron Broke, Oh hard luck Latt 57.25 Long 143.00

Sunday June the 4th fresh gales and bad rugged weather at 3 AM saw Whalers and lowered boat & struck one to the bowboat and got loose, brok the boat all to pieces took up the boat and at 6 saw him again and lowered and struck him again, and at 9 AM took him to the ship at 12 M began to cut and at 8 PM finished, a very rugged day & had cutting Latt 57.07

Monday June the 5th light breezes from South and fair weather ship heading to the Eastward saw 3 Whalers going quick to the South lowered for one without success 3 sail in sight from aloft, no one boating but the Covington Latt 56.58 Long 142.30

Tuesday June the 6th A brisk breeze from the ENE with fog squalls at intervals saw three ships at 9 AM saw Jones Island bearing S by W dist 5 miles and more ship to the SSE Wind veering to the Southward with thick drizzling weather, Covington boating

Wednesday June the 9th the first part of the day light breezes from the E or E with thick fog the latter part nearly calm with cloudy hazy weather at 12 M finished Boiling Spoke Ship Massachussets of Nantucket 3 Whales, at 3 P.M. left off West nothing of the Whaler Employed stowing Oil
Lat 57.08 Long 142.50

Thursday June the 10th commences calm and cloudy at 8 A.M. took a light breeze from the Northwest and set all sail heading to the Southward, at 12 M finished stowing 130. Bbls at 3 P.M. set in a thick fog, wore ship heading to the S or SW
Lat 56.50 Long 142.50

Friday June the 11th light breeze from SW with fine pleasant weather Ship standing WSW four sail in sight no Whales
Lat 57.22 Long 142.50

Saturday June the 12th fine breeze from SSW with pleasant land 15 miles off ship steering N.E & E.N.E three sail in sight and no Whales, Port of Bowhead I feel quite despatched to day, at 9 P.M. hauled to the wind leading SSW the ship Florida one mile off
Lat 58.05 Long 141.30

Sunday June the 13th At 8 A.M. picked up a dead whale and cut him in about 70. Bbls saved part of the bone, ship Bowditch in sight Lat 58.53 Long 144.12

Monday June 14th calm and thick fog until 1 P.M. at 3 saw a dead whale and took him to the ship and saved about 20 bbls & all the bone, Cape Elizabeth in sight bearing N.S.W dist 10 Leagues

Wednesday June 15th from 10 to 2 P.M. thick fog at 4 saw a dead whale lowered & took him to the ship and cut him in, the land in sight and plenty of ice
Lat 58.50 Long 140.60 East

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Tuesday July the 11th picked up a dead whale made 45. Bbls,

July 14th lying at anchor in the bay at 3 A.M. sent the boats down the bay for whalers, at 4 P.M. the boats returned had been fast to one small whale and drawn, saw about one hundred,

July 25th struck a large whale to the W Boat and to the iron broke, I wish I had hold of the blacksmith that made them I would choke the breath out of his body, 450 Bbls lost this season by iron breaking

Wednesday 26th struck a large whale to the S boat & drawn from him.

Wednesday August 2nd struck a whale to the bowboat killed him and took him to the ship at 11 A.M. finished cutting at 4 P.M. and got ready for another as soon as possible

Sunday Aug 13th got under weigh and stood out into the middle of the bay saw whale lowered the boat & struck a large whale to the W boat and the iron drawn at 2 P.M. strong breezes from the North and foggy at 5 P.M. ran in shore and anchored

Monday Aug 14th the first part of the day a fresh breeze from the North and thick fog at 2 P.M. clear and went the boats in shore but saw nothing

Tuesday 15th at 4 A.M. got underway and stood off shore and chased whales until 12 M when it set in foggy whales quite plenty but ship the latter part calm and foggy ship at 12

Wednesday 16th calm & warm weather ship at 3.30 A.M. lowered the boats and chased whales until 5 P.M. and struck one to the L boat. killed him and he sunk. Got the ship underway and run alongside of the whale and came to anchor in 18 fathoms & took the lines to the ship, we saw plenty of whales in shore this evening I hope to get another while this one is sunk

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Thursday Augst 17th of August 1854 Strong breezes from the South and fair Weather Ship lying by the Whale on Bottom at 3 AM sent the Boat for Whales and struck one to the W Boat and drawed the Rambler got A Whale & the Black Warrior got one

Friday 18th calm with extremely Warm Weather, at 4 AM the Whale came up & took him alongside, sent two boats for Whales, at 12 M finished cutting A good fat Whale Whales are quite plenty to day but very shy bark Harmony got one, at 3 PM began to Boil

Saturday 19th the first part A light breeze from the South and fine Weather, at 4 AM lowered the boats, the latter part of the Day calm and very Warm, at 7 2 PM the boats came back without any whale, the Whales are working out of the Bay again, Employed Boiling

Sunday 20th the first part A brisk breeze from the SSW with fine Weather, at 4 AM sent the boats off for A Whale, and struck one to the P boat & killed him 10 miles down the Bay, at 2 PM got underway & at 6 took the whale to the ship and anchored to late to cut to night, Whales plenty in the Bay to day

Monday 21st all day thick fog & rain with light breezes mostly from the Westward, and a large swell coming into the Bay from the Northward at 3 AM got breakfast and commenced cutting at 9 finished, Cleared up decks and stowed 70 Kbs of oil down the fore hole

Tuesday 22nd though the A brisk breeze from SSW with thick Weather and a large swell coming in from the North at 5 AM sent two boats for Whales through the day baffling breezes at thick Weather after 10 AM, at 6 PM the boats came back saw but A few Whales & they very shy owing to the rugged Weather, at 8 AM 33 ships in sight & Boiling

Wednesday 23rd baffling airs and thick fog until 2 PM at 5 AM sent 2 boats down the Bay for Whales, at 7 PM the returned, saw several Whales but could not strike

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Thursday Augst 24th being calm and foggy, at 4 AM lowered 3 boats for Whales, at 7 the fog cleared up some, and A breeze sprung up from the NNE, at 12 M finished Boiling, blowing quite strong with a bad swell at 4 PM the boats came back, & at 8 the wind more moderate,

Friday Augst 25th A brisk breeze from NNE and fair Weather at 4:30 lowered the boats, and at 9 struck A. Whale to the S boat and at 11 got him to the ship, got ready for cutting and got dinner, sent two boats after another whale and began to cut and at 6 2 PM finished cutting at 7 the boats returned 34 ships in sight at one time to day, Whales scarce and wild

Saturday Augst 26th A light breeze from North and fine pleasant Weather at day light sent two boats after Whales, the rest of us Boiling and Stowing down the oil to ships in sight, 4 Boiling quite A number of Whales about the Bay, but they are wild

Sunday Augst 27th Calm & thick dry fog, at 1 PM clear with A light breeze from NNE saw Whales and sent 3 boats at 5 struck one to the S boat at 6:30 got him dead and began to tow but the current set too strong for them Anchored the whale, got the ship underway and took the whale alongside at 11 2 PM got supper and set the watches, at 7 PM finished Boiling

Monday 28 Commences calm and pleasant at 6 AM commenced cutting and at 11 finished, got dinner and lowered three boats but did not strike Whales plenty to day but very shy, the middle and latter part A pleasant breeze from NNE at 5 PM began to boil again

Tuesday 29th at aoy light calm and hazy sent off two boats for Whales, the others employed Boiling and Stowing down oil at 7 AM set in foggy and lasted until 10 AM when it cleared up with A breeze from the NNE Whales very shy

Wednesday Augst 30th 1854 A brisk breeze from North and thick Weather breaking up at short intervals at 9 AM struck A Whale to the Bowhead, & got the boat sunk by the cramping of an oar, lost the whale & line, but at 1 PM struck one to the N.W. killed him & took him to the ship at 6 PM made him fast and began to boil again Whales quite plenty to day and easier to strike

Thursday Augst 31 Calm all day with thick fog at 5 AM began to cut the whale and at 10 finished and cleared up deck, latter part latter part Employed Boiling & Stowing down oil hear whales spouting about the ship

Friday Sept the 1st at day light calm and pleasant plenty Whales about lowered 3 boats came up foggy at sunrise, Larboard boat struck A whale killed him and anchored him, at 2 PM cleared off, at 5 PM took the whale to the ship and made him fast, and commenced breaking out for casks, Employed Boiling with A large whale along side

Saturday Sept the 2nd Strong breeze from North and fogged at 6 AM began to cut the whale at 10.30 finished latter part Employed Boiling, breaking out fore hole for bunks and stowing oil & bone latter part light breezes & cloudy

Sunday Sept 3rd the first part light breezes from the Westward & fine pleasant Weather at 5 AM sent the boats off for A whale, Whales are scattering to day & very shy, I counted at one time 75 boats looking for Whales, the latter part calm & warm Weather, Employed Boiling

Monday Sept 4th A brisk breeze all day from the SSW with fine pleasant Weather, Employed Stowing & Boiling 2 boats off after A whale but got nothing & very few Whales in the bay to day

Tuesday Sept the 5th Moderate breezes from the NE and cloudy Weather, sent the boats off but no Whales in the Bay to day, Employed Boiling & Stowing at 12 M finished Boiling.

Wednesday Sept 6th A brisk breeze from North and cloudy, at 10 AM the sun came out and at 1 PM set in a thick fog at 2 PM finished Stowing the oil makes us 14 go Blk, No Whales seen in the Bay to day, lost A whale so not one whale I feel very anxious to have them I want to get 6 more of them & I will set the big gib

Thursday Sept the 7th at 4 AM blowing up strong from the North and a large swell coming into the Bay, at 6 the wind hauled to the NW and got underway & stood up the Bay for a shelter and to get some water at 3 PM came to anchor in 7 fathoms in company with the Antelope, Copea, Parachute, & Philip Delaynoi No Whales in sight to day

Friday Sept the 8th the first part of the day Strong breezes from the Westward and Pleasant Weather, too rugged to get water sent the boats off to look for Whales they returned at night without seeing any the latter part a light breeze from NE,

Saturday 9th light variable breezes and fine pleasant Weather took on board 18 cwt of water

Sunday the 10th light breezes from the NE with fair Weather, nothing of the whale kind

Monday the 11th in the Morning light breezes from the NE and cloudy with the appearance of a Blow from the Northward the middle & latter part of the day a strong gale from the North with some rain and thick weather the ship Good Return, Barker Harmony bark Active, Lark & Black Warrior all arrived at 6 PM, at 9 PM Henry Myer died aged about 22

Tuesday the 12th fresh gales from the SW with clear Weather, at 9 AM buried the Dead the latter part calm & pleasant

Wednesday the 13th light air & calm boats off for Whales, Whalers & Seires

Thursday the 14th commences with fresh gales from the N.E. With thick rainy weather at 9 AM hove up the anchor & run in shore behind the sand spit, at night wind moderating & hauled to N.W.

Friday the 15th brisk gales all day from the N.W. With passing clouds, Barks Harmony Lark, Ellen & Ship Lone came up the Bay at 10 AM saw one Bowhead sent the boats after him but did not see him again

October the 3rd left Little Shanty Island in company with 10 ships & barks

October the 8th passed through the Onepoton passage, with a strong gale from N.W. Bound to Mowee,

January the 1st 1855 all day brisk breezes from N.W. With passing clouds all sail set steering E by N^o nothing of the whale kind
Lat. 42.06 South Long 132.50

Tuesday Jan 2nd Strong breezes & fair weather all sail set steering E by N^o nothing in sight Lat. 42.03 South Long 136.25 West

Wednesday Jan 3rd Strong breezes from S.W. With fair weather ship with all sail set steering E by N^o mast head well man'd but nothing in sight. How long dear Saviour Oh how long!
Lat. 42.20 by act. long by chron 132.25

Thursday Jan 4th Moderate breezes from the W & S.W. and good weather all sail set steering E by N^o nothing of the whale kind to cheer us Lat 42.01 Long 132.42

Sunday Jan 7th first part a brisk breeze from W & N.W. with fine weather. The latter part fresh breezes from W & N.W. all drawing sail set steering E by N^o struck two porpoises and lost both of them
Lat. 42.11 South Long 131.53

Jan 8 10th 1855 A moderate breeze from West with a bad swell and over cast sky all sail set steering E by N^o bent to new topmast straining sail & main royal at 4 AM caught a porpoise. The first drop of oil for 4 months & 10 days, Lat 42.09 South Long 131.53 West

Tuesday Feb 27th at 10 AM saw a school of sperm whales lowered 4 boats and struck one to the 2 boat and got him chased the whale 3 hours but could not catch another, 17 days from Talcahuano. With one man sick with the small pox Lat 11.20 South Long 91.50 West

Feb 20th A Kanaka was taken down with the small pox & died March the 6th and buried in Lat 4.5^o South and long 103. W He belonged to Orotongo & had been on board two years & 6 days.

Sunday April the 15th 1855. A light breeze from North with fine pleasant weather, two ships in sight from aloft and here is poor Newman trying hard to get along to the Westward but we make a slow progress through these light winds & calms yesterday morning we saw a good school of black fish & lowered the boats but could not catch them they were wide awake & knew their value small favour thankfully received this season, and larger men in like proportion birth lat 20.45 - West long 164.20

Monday April the 16th the first part of the day a light breeze from the North with cloudy weather, the latter part baffling airs with rain. A ship in sight astern we are making a slow progress toward our destination unbent the main topgallant sail, repaired it and bent it this is hard sailing it makes me feel discouraged I would like to see my Abby & boys to sight if I was with them I should not fret about the wind, God Bless them and return me to them in 4 months from now with a full ship, thus Newman prays to sight & ever,

Tuesday April the 17th the same light baffling winds attend us, and there is one poor devil in sight for company I would have patience now were she here, for mine is nearly exhausted, light air, cloudy, with rain squalls at intervals throughout the day, Lat 21.10 Long 162.75 in Witnes Wheroff I scarcely set it down
Allen M Newman

Wednesday April 18th all this day A light breeze from SSW with overcast sky. Ship with every thing set steering W by S & W by N the ship astern nearly out of sight. Employed to day making new ropes from old ones. Nothing of the whale kind in sight
Lat 21.20 - Long 168.47

Thursday April 19th A continuation of light breezes from the Northward, and fair weather all sail set to the breeze. But it is hard getting along I have never see so much light weather before we have only reef'd top sail but once since last November
Lat to day 21.47 - long 170.19

Friday April 20th the wind continues light and baffling the ship heading her course until 9 AM when it fell away calm until 3 PM when we took a breeze from SSW and braced up heading West at 5 PM A pleasant breeze from North and set the top mast studding sail
Lat 22.26 Long 171.10 West

Saturday April 21st A fine breeze from N & E with good weather course W by S Stevman quite unwell with a bad cold in the bowels
Lat 22.38 - Long 173.09 west

Saturday April the 28th the past week I have been quite unwell, with some derangement of the bowels attended with a fever and to night I do not feel well my appetite is very poor the old ship has been coming along quite a good job considering the light winds we have had, but to day there is a large swell from the Eastward which denotes a strong breeze
Lat 26.00 North Long 170..30 East

Sunday April the 29th the first part a light breeze from SSW with light squalls of rain the middle and latter part a light breeze and fair weather course W & NW with every sail set I would like to be at home to night but that is an impossibility so I will try to content myself where I am and think of the happy hours in past with friends which I still love, Lat 26.44 Long 169..12 East

Monday April the 30th 1855 at 12.30 PM took a light squall from N & W braces about the yards heading to the West at 6 AM came up to course W & NW with a good breeze from North the latter part light breeze from East and cloudy
Lat 27.44 north Long 168..48 East

Tuesday May the 1st this day light breezes from S & E and fair weather, Lat 28.37 Long 165.35

Wednesday May the 2nd commences with a moderate breeze from the SW attended with fog squalls course SSW at 10 AM the wind changed to the West braced sharp heading to the S & W the latter part strong breezes and fair weather, at 3 PM took in the main royal, the first we have had occasion to furl it on account of wind since the 10th of Feb
Lat 1 by 10m 30.05 North - long 164..43 East

Thursday May the 3rd all this day fresh gales from West and rugged weather ship under top sail jib & courses heading to the SSW saw one fin back
Lat 1 by 10m 31.58 long 163.53 East

Friday May the 4th the first part of light breeze from West, the middle & latter part a brisk breeze from SW course S W by W Lat 32.10 Long 163.67

Saturday May the 5th all day a strong breeze from SW with thick weather with some rain ship steering S W by W with all prudent sail set

Sunday May the 6th continues a brisk breeze from SW with rain course SW at 10 AM clear & pleasant set all sail & made the mast head, at 12 M picked up a large stick of pine timber which will make a cord of fire wood, to day is Stevman's Birth Day he is getting to be an old man, at 7 AM caught a porpoise, at 8 PM took in top gallant sail and flying jib and at 9 Double reef'd the fore top sail, the first time we have reef'd a sail for over 3 months, Lat 36.50 Long 160.20

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Monday May the 7th 1855
 the first part of the day Strong gales from WSW
 Ship under Double reef'd top sail & fore sail heading
 Northward frequent squalls with some rain
 the middle & latter part more moderate and the wind
 veered to the SW at 4 P.M. set the jib main sail and
 spanker, saw two Fin Backs & a school of Porpoises
 North Latt 38.41 - East Long 160.05

Tuesday May the 8th Commences with fresh
 gales from SSW and rugged Weather Ship with
 Double reef'd top sail jib & courses set heading to the
 NNE the latter part frequent heavy squalls and
 took in jib spanker and Main sail and at 7 P.M.
 close reef'd the fore top sail
 Latt by Obs 39.48 Long by Obs 161.03 - by dinner 160.56

Wednesday May the 9th Commences with A strong gale
 from SSW and rugged Ship lying to heading N 8 W
 at 12 M moderating & set the fore sail. at 2 P.M.
 set the fore top sail and jib heading up West
 Latt by Obs 39.30 - Long 161.00

Thursday May the 10th Commences calm with a
 bad swell at 11 AM took a breeze from the SSE
 and set all drawing sail steering N W, the latter
 part A strong breeze with thick drizzling weather
 Latt 39.33 Long 160.13

Friday May the 11th Strong gales from SSE and
 thick drizzling weather, at 4 AM hauled to the West
 Ship heading of NW at 12 M strong squalls and took
 in main top gallant sail & Double reef'd the top sails
 and at 2 P.M. took jib & spanker
 Latt 41.35 Long 158.30

Saturday May 12th Commences with strong
 gale from S W with thick foggy weather
 Ship under Double reef'd top sail Heading SNE
 at 1 P.M. the wind hauled to the North
 and more ship heading W of N at 6 veered
 ship heading N E, killed a pig for dinner tomorrow
 Latt by Obs 42.58 Long by Obs 158.32

Sunday May the 13th the first part calm with a
 bad swell at 10 AM took a breeze from SE and kept
 the ship S W, at 1 P.M. it began to rain with increasing
 breezes, at 6 P.M. kept off S W by N at 7 took in main
 royal and top mast studding sail
 Latt 43.04 Long 158.34

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Monday May the 14th Commences with A strong breeze
 from the WSW with cloudy weather, all sail set
 steering SW by N at 1 P.M. increasing breezes and
 furled the fore top gallant sail at 3 took in flying
 jib and main top gallant sail and at 4 Double
 reef'd the fore top sail, at 12 M parted the main
 top sail sheet and double reef'd the sail
 Latt 45.36 Long 157.11

Tuesday May the 15th all day A strong gale from
 the Westward and rugged Weather ship lying
 to. Leading N W by N
 Latt 47.50 Long 155.46

Saturday May the 19th A brisk breeze from SSW and
 thick foggy weather, ship heading to the Westward
 in company with the ship Phoenix of Nantucket
 at 12 M passed through between Onchotan & Karamaudoton
 Islands, when the wind hauled to S E and kept the ship
 W by N through the night of brisk breeze with rain

Sunday May the 20th the first part of the day
 A brisk breeze from West with thick fog ship heading
 N of S W at 2 P.M. the fog cleared off with fine
 pleasant weather at sunset the wind hauled to the WSW
 through the light breeze from south, steering WSW

Monday May the 21st Commences with a brisk breeze
 from the South and cloudy all sail set steering N S W
 at 5.30 AM. saw a Right Whale going like a Steam Boat
 to the windward, did not lower the boats
 Latt by Obs 51.30. Long by Obs 148.45 at 2 P.M. the wind
 changed to N of S W and at 3 tacked ship to the West
 through the night a moderate breeze from the SSW by N
 and thick fog with freezing weather

Tuesday May the 22nd 34 miles from Newport
 Commences calm with a thick fog at 10 AM a light air
 from S W and kept the ship S W at 12 M. the fog
 cleared off and hoisted the Marheads, Latt 51.40 - Long 147.50
 the latter part of the day a light breeze & fine pleasant
 weather, but we see nothing of the whale hump to cheer us
 through the night a moderate breeze from south and fair
 weather

2116
Wednesday May the 23rd Commences With A brisk breeze from the South with fair weather the Ship with all sail set steering SSW. nothing in sight of the whale kind, at 12 M increasing breezes and hovey Latt by Obm 52.50=long by Chron 16.13=by Luner 145.23 Coiled 3 new lines to be ready for the War of 1855 I hope it will be a Bloody one for the enemy at 5 P.M kept off N.E.W & took in topmast Studdingail & fore topgallant sail, through the night a brisk breeze from the S.S.E and foggy

Thursday May the 24th A fresh breeze from the S.S.E and thick foggy weather steering N.E.W until 12 M and hauled aback heading to the East at 1 P.M the fog cleared off some and kept off again at 2 P.M saw ice ahead and saw a ship to the N.E at 4 Spoke the Bark Edward nothing this season at 5 set in thick again & at 7 braced forward heading to the S.S.E Latt by Act 54.40. long 144.15

Friday May the 25th Moderate breezes from south and cloudy weather at day light stood in for the ice at 6 AM came up with the ice and kept off to the North at 10 the ice trending more to the Eastward kept off N.E. Latt 55.12 long 144.20 the latter part of the day a brisk breeze from S.S.E at thick weather at 7 P.M furled light sails and hauled up the courses and at 9 hauled aback heading Eastward through the night strong breezes and thick weather

Saturday May the 26 Strong breezes and foggy at 9 AM kept off S.W at 11 the fog cleared some and saw the ice to the Westward at 8 P.M Spoke ship Niger of New Bedford one whale informed me that Jonas Island bore WSW 10 miles, I supposed it to bear S.W 20 miles. hauled to the wind heading E.N.E and double reef'd the top sail and furled the courses & jib through the night a strong gale and thick dreary weather

Sunday May the 27th Strong gales from the S.S.E with thick rainy weather at 12 the wind hauled to E.S.E and rained until 4 P.M when it changed to S.S.E at 7 P.M wore ship to SW 3 sail in sight to day through the night more moderate with thick weather

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Monday May the 28th Commences with a fresh breeze from S.S.E with rain and fog ship heading to SSW at 10 AM came up with the ice and wore ship to the E.N.E. at 12 M hauled aback the fore topsail and lay until 5 P.M and braced forward heading to the S.E with a very thick fog through the night the wind changed to the Northwest but without any change of weather

Tuesday May the 29th Commences with a moderate breeze from the Northwest with a dense fog ship by the wind heading SSW at 12 M the fog cleared some saw Jonas Island bearing SSW 10 miles and saw 6 ships at 1 P.M the fog set in again and so it continued throughout the day Latt 56.34. long 143.45

August 16th at 7 AM the tide set fair with a fair wind, got under weigh and left Mercury Bay bound to the Eastward

17th A brisk breeze from S.W and rugged steering to the Eastward at 7 AM Cape Elizabeth bearing S.E 20 miles picked up ships long boat and cut her in, one ship in company name unknown

18th the first part of the day a light breeze from N.N.E and cloudy the latter part a brisk breeze from North ship steering E by S

Sunday Aug 19th A brisk breeze from S.W with thick fog till with all sail set steering E by S. at 7 AM the fog cleared off, made the most head at 8 saw Hump back Whaler lowered the boat and chased them 2 hours without success at 10 came on board and kept on our course to the Eastward looking for right whales, at 7 P.M set in foggy same time set the main royal, we have not had 5 days clear weather since the first of July Latt by Obm 55.20 long by Chron 144.13

Monday Aug 20th A moderate breeze from the S.W and fair weather the ship with all sail set steering S.S.E saw a few thin backs no right whales O Lord we implore thee to look upon us and bless us with a little prosperity. I would like to be with my best friend to night to tell her of all the sorrow of my aching heart, I dont know of any one else that would sympathize with me Latt 56.52 long 140.58

Tuesday Aug^t 21st 1855 commences with a light breeze from the N.W. with overcast sky and rainy weather the ship with all sail set steering S^E by E saw several fin backs & birds other ways the ground looks barren & could I but see one oasis in all this great desert it would give me joy & hope, which are becoming strangers to my heart
 O give me back my cottage roof
 I ask no palace down
 For I can lead a happy life
 With friends I love at home

Wednesday Aug^t 22nd all this day baffling breezes from W.S.W. found to S.S.W. with dark cloudy weather steered East until 3 P.M. and kept off N.E. at 5 set in thick with rain at 6 kept the ship North saw two fin backs to day but we cannot find the right whales, Newman feels almost Rejected, I wish I could think that all this hard luck was for some wise purpose but I feel afraid that I shall hear my children cry for bread Latt 1^o by Act 52.45 North long by Act 153.30 East

Thursday Aug^t 23rd commences with a light breeze from N.W. and thick raining weather ship heading to S.E. at 9 AM a fresh breeze and kept the ship S.W. at 11 saw a Right Whale lowered the boats and chased him until 2 P.M. without success, at 5 saw 2 more whales and lowered the boats and chased them until sunset 7 P.M. the weather rugged and squally and took in sail for the night, O Lord give us good success Latt 53.16 long 153.40

Friday Aug^t 24th commences with a light breeze from N.E. and fine weather at 9 AM saw two whales lowered the boats and struck one to the boat the whale run & bounded had for two hours and the line parted came on board took up the boats and got dinner at 1 P.M. saw a whale lowered & chased 2 hours without success saw four whales to day and one ship Latt 53.05 long 153.16

Saturday Aug^t 25th all this day a strong gale from the North and rugged weather at 9 AM saw one whale and chased him without success at 3 P.M. saw a whale going quick to the North, two ships in sight Latt 53.00 North long 153.40

Sunday Aug^t 26 this day commences with a fresh gale from the North and cloudy rugged weather plenty fin backs in sight, at 10 AM saw a right whale going quick to the Windward at 3 P.M. Spoke the bark Alfred Tyler of Edgartown 3 whales at 5.30 lowered for a whale & struck him to the boat killed him and took him to the ship and made him fast at 8 P.M. got supper and commenced to get ready to cut at Day light thank the Lord for so much help up Lord to get some more, Latt 53.02 long 153.30

Monday Aug^t 27th commences with a light breeze from South and cloudy at 5 began to cut the whale at 7 saw another whale and sent two boats after him but without success at 9 finished cutting and set double reef'd top sails at 10 commenced blowing a strong gale, 12 M. Spoke the ship Joseph Meigs of New Bedford 3 whales, the latter part a fresh gale and rugged weather

Tuesday Aug^t 28th commences with a strong breeze from the South & rugged rainy weather at 6 AM began to boil, at 12 M. wind moderate with cloudy weather set double reef'd top sails, at 4 P.M. saw two boats chasing a whale spouting blood at 7 P.M. the whale turned up 3 miles to leeward of us and 12 miles from their own ship, at 9 P.M. the mate of bark Alfred Tyler came on board it being some foggy, and he proposed that I should take the whale alongside & have half of him, so at 10.30 P.M. I took the whale to the ship and made him fast same time set in a thick fog, all favours thankfully received

Wednesday Aug^t the 29th commences with a light breeze from the Westward and pleasant Weather, with a bad swell, at 6 AM Capt Chadwick came on board, and I made an agreement with him to cut the Whale in and boil him out, and give him one half of the oil & bone at haling, at 9 AM began to cut, and at 2.30 PM finished a very large whale and very fat, at 8.30 began to boil.

Thursday Aug^t 30th the first part of the day calm cloudy Weather with a bad swell, ship under short sail, Boiling, at 10 AM a moderate breeze from N.E. at 1 PM saw Whales and lowered 3 boats, and chased them without success, at 3 PM took up the boats, at 4 strong breeze and rugged at 7 PM saw several Whales, one breaching,

Friday Aug^t 31st commences with a fresh gale from the North with rugged Drizly Weather, ship under short sail Boiling, at 10 AM the wind veered to the S.W. with clear Weather, the latter part wind more moderate from the W.S.W. at 5 PM veered ship to the North, I want to catch a good large whale tomorrow, O Lord assist us
Lat by Obm 53.04 Long by Chron 153.56

Saturday Aug^t 32 Sept 1st the first part squally from the S.W. with a bad swell, at 7 AM more moderate and set Double reef, top sail, the Middle & latter part a brisk breeze from W.S.W. and fair Weather at 10 AM saw a whale going quick at 4 PM saw two Whales cow & calf, lowered three boats & chased until 5 without success the Whales appear to be scattering here, Covington is boiling
Lat by Obm 53.10

Sunday Sept 2nd commences with a moderate breeze from the S.W. with cloudy hazy Weather, Employed Boiling heading W.N.W. at 7 PM saw a whale, lowered the boat & struck him to the W. boat, stow the boat some hills, the whale 2 miles to windward and he sunk bad so we did not get him to the ship until 2 PM made him fast got dinner & began to stow some oil down the main hatchway at 8 PM set the watch for the night, here we pray the good Lord to grant us good Weather in the morning, to cut the whale.

Monday Sept the 3rd commences with a strong gale from the South with thick rugged Weather at 8 AM wore ship to take the whale to the leeward to cut but it being so rugged we gave it up, and began to stow oil in the after hatchway middle part strong gales with a bad sea, the latter part moderating some

Tuesday Sept the 4th commences with a light breeze from the South and good Weather at 6 AM began to cut the whale, at 9 commenced blowing strong with rugged foggy weather at 12 PM finished cutting the latter part a strong gale with very rugged weather saw one ship

Wednesday Sept the 5th the first & middle part a strong gale from the S.W. and clear rugged Weather under short sail heading to S.S.E employed Boiling the latter part the latter part the wind more moderate from S.S.W. at 5 PM Spoke bark — J. E. Donald 1200 this season
Lat by Obm 53.54 Long by Chron 154.40

Thursday Sept the 6th commences with a fresh gale from the S.S.E and rugged cloudy ship heading to S.W. Boiling, at 8 AM it commenced blowing a heavy gale from S.E attended with rain & a bad sea cooled down the try works and started 30 bbls of oil into the tank, lowered the main top sail and furled the fore sail & took up the boats, at 12 PM blowing heavy in squalls, at 4 PM more moderate and the wind veering to the East Westward at 7 PM wore ship to the S.S.W. we have plenty work to do but cannot do it in this rugged weather, I would like to know how my wife and children fare to slight, O god bless them and return me to them in health once more

Friday Sept the 7th strong gales from the S.W. and rugged ship under short sail Boiling & stowing the oil last night A see stow the B boat bad, the latter part the wind more moderate with a bad sea saw one whale, at 8 PM Spoke ship Charles Carroll of San Francisco 200 Pds, from Shanty Bay
Lat 53.33 Long 153.50

Saturday Sept the 9th All this Day calm and cloudy weather, Employed boating and cleaning bone four ships in sight and no whaler

Sunday Sept the 9th Commences with a fresh breeze from the SSW and cloudy weather 12 M strong breeze with rain saw two Whales going quick to the N^E, at 1 PM Spoke Bark Harriet of Fair Haven 24 Months 4000 Bbls at 2 Double reef'd the top sails and at 4 furled the jib & fore top sail & fore sail and took the boats to the upper chains blowing a hard gale from the N^E with rain and rugged weather

Monday Sept the 10th Commences with a brisk gale from the N^W with clear rugged weather, the middle & latter part more moderate and set double reef'd top sails, saw 4 ships & Whaler, Latt 52.50 Long 153.50

Tuesday Sept the 11th Commences with a strong breeze from the West and rugged cloudy weather at 4 AM equally with rain, at 10 strong gales and clear furled fore top sail and jib saw one Whale Latt 52.45 Long 153.00

Saturday Sept the 15th the past three days have been too rugged to write, All this day a fresh breeze from WSW and fair weather at 2 PM struck a whale to the L boat and the first iron cut the short warp, saw 3 Whales going to the Westward, Spoke the ship Nimrod of New Bedford 1800 Bbls Latt 53.05 Long 154.18

Sunday Sept the 16th A brisk breeze from SW and smokey weather at 4 PM struck a whale to the R boat and at sun set cut from him hard duck, O Lord look down upon us from thy high throne in Heaven and bless us with a little prosperity in this our time of need Latt by Obm 53.07 Long saw 10 Whales to day)

Monday Sept the 17th all this day a fresh breeze from the SSW attended with thick fog Died at 7 AM John, a native of Orotong who has been with me 30 months, we buried him at 12 M and left him to rise at the resurrection

Tuesday Sept the 18th all this day a strong breeze from the N^W with rugged hairy weather saw one whale to day & chased him without success Latt 53.24 Long 154.10

Wednesday Sept the 19th Moderate breezes from N^W with a bad swell saw a few whales but very shy, 7 ships in sight one boating O Lord help us to get something to boil Latt 53.04 Long 154.00

Thursday Sept the 20th all this day a strong breeze from the ENE and rugged saw 5 whales and chased them without success, they are shy Spoke the bark Venice of New London 300 Bbls saw 8 ships to day one cutting Latt by Obm 53.06 = Long by Chron 153.45

Friday Sept the 21st all day a strong gale from East with rugged weather ship under double reef'd main top sail and fore sail the latter part thick rainy weather

Nov 22nd 1855 Left Oban for Home
Dec 1st left Whybottacke in company with ship American nothing since leaving the Islands

(arrived Apr. 14 1856)

Barge Covington Sept 18th 1856
Saw A School of Sperm Whales and had
one missed from the Starboard Boat
Lat 40.40 North Long 38.10 West

Sept 18th Saw A School of Whales
going quick to the South chased them without success
Lat 41.16 North Long 38.03 W

January the 1st 1857
this day commences with A brisk breeze from S W
with A bad swell ship with all sail set steering ESE,
the latter part of the day the breeze freshening and steered SSE
this day makes 19 New Year days which I have passed at sea
in succession, oh When shall I be repaid for all the toil
and Deprivation that has attended the greater part of my
life, 4 months & 3 days out with nothing, but I hope to
get something soon we saw A whale yesterday but the
weather was very bad & we did not lower for him
Lat 42.00 Long 103.06 E by Sun 102.36

January the 2nd
all this day A strong gale from the WNW
and cloudy weather With A large sea
nothing in sight to cheer on our journey
Lat 42.48 Long 107.22 East

January the 3rd 1857 Saturday
all this day A fresh gale from WNW and hazy
rugged weather the ship with all prudent sail set
steering SSW at 6 P.M the wind changed to S.W.
and kept off SSW, Saturday night I would like very
much to be at home to night, to be with those I love well
Lat 43.55 Long 111.00

Sunday January the 4th 1857
all this day A fresh gale from the West attended
with squalls at short intervals, the old bark A breaching
to it steering SSE, we hear not the sound of the
church going Hell, its merry peals does not gladden our
hearts, as each returning Sabbath comes round it finds
us far away on the ocean shut up in A little world of
our own it is at such times that fond memory reverts
back to our own happy home

South Lat 44.84 - East Long 115.11

On Board Bark Covington
Monday Jan 5th all this day fresh gales from
W N W and rugged cloudy weather, course SSE,
see nothing of the whale kind to cheer us on our journey
Lat 45.00 S = Long 119.14 E,

Tuesday Jan 6 heavy gales from S W
with A bad sea, and thick weather ship under
double reef'd main top rail and close reef'd fore top rail
Steering ESE at 4 P.M the wind changed to the
W SW and kept the ship E By S
Lat 45.40 Long 123.20

Wednesday Jan 7th this day commences with
A light breeze from the West with A bad
swell the latter part hauling gradually to the
Eastward, with dreary weather nothing of the whales
Lat 46.26 Long 126.57

Thursday January the 8th
this day commences with A strong breeze from
S W and slender ship with all sail set
steering East the Middle and latter part
strong breezes and fair weather no whales
Lat 46.04 Long 129.48

Friday Jan 9th all this day A strong breeze
from West and fair weather all sail set
steering E by S Lat 45.55 = long 134.00

Saturday Jan 10th the first part of this day
A fresh gale from WNW and rugged the latter
part more moderate with foggy weather
Lat 45.46 - Long 134.42

Sunday January the 11th all the day A moderate
breeze from WNW and hazy weather all sail
set steering E by S, Sunday night again, one kick
A nearer to the end of the journey without seeing
any thing to relieve the tediousness of this dull life
the man that leaves his home to go A Whaling
is A foolish man, and A M Newman, is Ditto,

Bark Covington Monday January the 12th 1857
the first part of this day A moderate breeze from
North and fair weather all sail set steering N by E
the latter part calm and cloudy nothing of the Whales
Satt 45.38 long 145.63

Tuesday the 13th commences with a brisk breeze
from the S E and thick airy weather ship by the
wind heading E N E, the latter part increasing breeze
with rain Satt 45.12 long 148.01

Wednesday the 14th all this day A moderate breeze
from the S E with piping clouds ship with all sail
set steering N E by E, saw some poppies, No Whales
O Lord send them along Satt 44.02 long 150.49

Wednesday the 21st A pleasant breeze from S E
with fine weather the ship with all sail set steering N E
at 8 AM saw Black Fish lowered four boats and got two
one to the S Boat & one to the B Boat, they will make tow bales
nearly five months out, thank the Lord for little favours
Satt by Obs 39.28 south - Long by Chron 168.03 East

Monday March the 2nd at 10 AM came to anchor
at Guan and left Unata on the 13th bound North
April 22nd had a gale in Satt 46.20 long 155 which
lasted 3 days, 30th passed through the passage in
Satt 49.10 and entered the Bobotok sea

May the 3rd begins with pleasant breeze from
the S W and fine weather set all sail steering
by the wind to the S S E the latter part the breeze
lying away and at sunset calm & pleasant nothing in sight
Satt by Obs 52.08. Long by Chron 153.35

May the 4th The first part pleasant breeze from S E
all sail set steering S W by W the latter part
strong breeze from East at 2 PM fell in with ice
in detached masses, at 5 PM fresh gales with snow
with some ice about took in sail heading S N E,
Satt 53.11 long 151.42

May the 5th got into the ice in Satt 54.10 long 148.40 steered
to the Eastward through broken ice & got out of it
on the 10th in Satt 54.20 long 154.00

Aug 1st left Mercury Bay

Sept 6th saw 6 Right Whales but blowing a strong gale
and did not lower for them Satt 53.05 long 154.03

Tuesday Sept 15th commences with a strong gale from the
North and rugged weather, saw one ship and several fin backs
the latter part more moderate, the ship on different tacks
looking for Whales at 6 PM saw one whale young quick to the
Windward Satt 53.05 long 153.56

Wednesday Sept 16th A strong gale from the North and
rugged weather the ship lying too heaving to the Westward
at night more moderate with a bad swell, Satt 52.50 long 153.45

Thursday Sept 17th A moderate breeze from the North
with frequent fog squalls Employed all day chasing Whales
and had one hopped off to the B Boat, by noon
saw eight or ten Whales to day very slow
Satt by Obs 52.40 long by Chron 153.24

Friday Sept 18th the first part of this day calm and
cloudy weather, the latter part a light breeze from the Eastward
the boats chasing Whales but they are off this calm weather
bad luck makes me sorrowfull, but bad management makes me ugly
saw six Whales to day and three ships, Satt & long as yesterday

Saturday Sept 19th the first part strong breeze from
S E and cloudy the latter part a strong gale & rugged
saw several small sized whales and chased them without success
4 ships in sight Satt by Obs 52.48 long by Obs 153.85

Sunday Sept 20 all day strong gales & rugged
weather ship lying too heaving to the West

Monday Sept 21st A fresh breeze all day from
W N W and rugged weather saw two Whales
and four ships Satt 52.45 long 153.32

Tuesday Sept 22nd A brisk breeze from the Westward
with rain squalls Employed chasing Whales, four ships
in sight all whaling, the Lagoda got one
Satt by Obs 52.52 long by Chron 153.48

Bark Covington, Ochotsk sea

Wednesday Sept the 23rd 1857

Light breezes and fine weather saw four Whales to day but they are wild, the Bark Warren got one O good Lord help us of the Covington to get one, and we ever thank thee, Lat 52.53 Long 154.03

Thursday Sept 24th

the first part strong breezes from South and fair Weather Employed chasing Whales the Middle & latter part fresh gales and rugged Weather, at 4.30 PM struck A Whale to the Bow Boat and lost A line and 2 Irons five Ships in sight, Bark Warren got A Whale and the Ship Florida got one, O Lord favour us with good Luck, Lat 52.45 Long 154.00.

Friday Sept 25th

All this day fresh gales from SSW and rugged weather ship on different run one right & breaching Lat by Obs 52.40 Long by Chron 154.25

Saturday Sept the 26th all this day light breezes from the Eastward and fair Weather saw 8 Ships and one Whale fin backs plenty Lat 52.10 Long 154.17

Sunday Sept the 27th moderate breezes from South and cloudy Weather saw one whale

Monday Sept the 28th all this day fresh gales from SSW with frequent rain squalls saw one whale and chased him without success Lat 52.04 Long 154.14

Tuesday Sept the 29th the first part of this day calm & pleasant weather, the latter part A moderate breeze from NNE, saw 4 Whales to day going quick Lat by Obs 52.48 Long by Chron 154.06

Wednesday Sept. 30th
Moderate breezes all day from Westward and cloudy Weather saw three Whales

Thursday October 1st fresh breezes from SSW with frequent fog squalls saw two Whales and 7 Ships Lat 52.20 Long 154.00

Friday October the 2nd 1857

A strong gale from SSW with thick rainy Weather the Middle part clear with the wind from the SW with rugged Weather, and no Whales in sight six Ships one Boiling Lat 52.30 Long 153.51

Saturday Oct. the 3rd this day a moderate breeze from the Westward with with A bad smell saw several Whales to day but the boats make so much noise that we cannot get near them 6 Ships Lat 53.13 Long 153.58

Sunday Oct. the 4th the first part calm and pleasant the latter part A brisk breeze from the SW and rugged lowered the boats twice today without success Lat 53.11 Long 154.02, six Ships in sight

Monday Oct 5th fresh gales from the NNE and rugged Weather at 11 AM struck A whale to the Bow Boat and got stove, two men hurt bad, held on two hours and lost A line, the latter part Strong gales and very rugged O Lord assist us to get A Little oil Latitude and longitude as yesterday

Tuesday Oct 6th all this day A strong gale from the North and rugged weather Lat 52.58 Long 153.20

Wednesday Oct the 7th commences with A moderate breeze from the South and cold cloudy weather at 10 AM picked up a piece of iron which will make about 2 Bbls, the first blubber for two months at 2 PM Double reef'd the top sail and at 4 the wind changed to the Westward and cleared off some

Thursday Oct the 8th commences with A strong gale from the WSW with occasional squalls at 8 AM left off SSW and at 9 luffed to the wind heading to the SW and took in the fore sail and close reef'd the main top sail the middle and latter part heavy gales from SW with A large sea, Lat 52.27 Long 153.23

Friday Oct the 9th commences with A strong breeze from the NNE, at 6 AM left off SSW at 6 PM Double reef'd the top sail and at 11 took in sail and luffed too heading SW Ship Milton in company

Bark Covington Saturday Oct the 10th 1857
Commences with a light breeze from the SW and
cloudy weather at 3 AM left off SSW at 6 AM
saw the land and hauled up S E for Paramonovia
Passage at 12 the wind hauled to the South with rain
at 5 PM got through and kept the ship SSE

Sunday Oct the 11th this day a brisk breeze from the
W and rugged weather ship with all sail set steering
S by E one ship in sight
Lat 49.08 Long by Chron 158.57 by Juner 158.49

Monday October the 12th A fresh breeze from the West
with fine pleasant weather the ship with all sail set
steering S by E, SSW, a ship in sight ahead at 3 PM
parted the top mast studding yards & broke off the
boom & split the sail, Lat 48.17 Long 163.07

Tuesday Oct the 13th A brisk breeze from the SW
and fair weather all sail set steering S by E
employed hauling five hds of young oil
Lat 47.50 Long 167.19

Wednesday Oct the 14th the first part of the day
A fresh gale from the W SW with rainy rugged
weather at 8 AM the wind changed to the N & NW
the latter part brisk gales with hail squalls course S by E
Lat 47.15 Long 161.43 East

Thursday Oct the 15th Commences with a brisk
breeze from the SW and equally weather ship with
all sail set steering SSW at 7 PM Caught
two porpoises which will make two gallons of oil
every little helps, Lat 44.10 Long 172.37 West

Decr 17th Saw sperm Whales, lowered
boats and got one to the larboard boat
38 hds. ever thankfull for small favours
& hope to be favoured again soon
Lat 5.05 South Long 171.45 West

1858 Jan 4th Lat 3.15 S. Long 179.30 W
saw sperm Whales going quick to the North

April 17th left Hakodadi in Company with
Ship Daniel Wood and Kintzoff of Bedford

27th passed through straits to the south of
Merikan Island

June 2nd 1858,

Wednesday Commences with strong breezes
from the South, all sail set heading N & W, at 6 AM saw
A Bow Head going to SW Lowered and chased him without
success, at 3 PM spoke Ship Beagle Rush one Whale, at 4 saw
A Whale going N & W lowered 4 boats but did not see him again
Saw 4 Whales to day and about 30 ships at 6 PM strong gales
and foggy, Lat 56.47 Long 141.44

June the 10th fresh breezes from SW with thick fog
Died at 1 AM Joseph Sylvia, of Flores, M.I. aged 21 years

Sept 22nd left Tarish Bay, 27th saw three R Whales
going South, 28th Lat 54.50 Long 151.20
saw 3 Whales going to the Eastward, at 6.30 PM
saw A Whale near the ship lowered the boat
and struck him to the W Boat and shot
6 Bomb Lances into him, and parted one line
and cut the other at 9.30, Whoever finds him
will get a good whale

29th Saw three Whales and struck to the Bow Boat
and drawn in about A half hour struck again
to the Bow Boat and got fast with two boats
and had one iron strap part, and one short warp,
and the whale went off spouting blood
Lat 54.50 Long 151.30

From 29th until the 9th of October fresh gales and rugged
weather saw no Whales

October the 9th fresh breezes from North and good weather
steering SSW for 50° passage at 12 m saw the land and
at 11 PM got through the straits and hauled up S by E

Oct 9th brisk breezes from W SW and fair weather
course S by E with all sail set, at 9 AM spoke Ship Bowditch
with 850 hds bound to Honolulu through the night strong
breeze from West and cloudy

Sunday Oct 10th Moderate breezes from West
with overcast sky Ship with all sail set steering E by S
Newman feels like a poor Devil to night
Lat 48.5° Long 161.14° E

Monday Oct 11th all this day & light breeze from
the West and overcast sky course E by S nothing in
sight Lat 48.35° Long by Chron 164.30°

Tuesday Oct 12th A brisk breeze from South
and fair weather all sail set steering E by S
the latter part increasing breezes and cloudy
Lat 47.5° Long 167.30° E

Wednesday 13th Commences with a strong gale
from SSW with rain at 6 AM at 8 AM took in
fore top sail & fore sail and at 9 following close reef'd
the main top rail, from 9 to 12 blowing very heavy
in squalls, at 12 M the wind changed to SW
kept the ship off E by N under close reef'd main
top rail and fore top mast stay sail at 1 PM
A sea took the Waist Boat with the forward
lavit at 3 PM set the fore sail

Thursday the 14th commences with a strong gale
from the SSW and very rugged, ship under double
reef'd top sails and fore sail steering East at 12 M
increasing gales and close reef'd the top batts the latter
part a heavy gale from SW and rugged
Lat 47.58° Long 173.36° E

Friday the 15th commences with a strong gale
from WSW with a bad sea ship with double
reef'd top sails set steering S by S from 9 to 12 M
set the reef'd out of the fore sail and set the Main
top gallant sail, at 3 PM set Main Royal
Lat 47.08° Long by Chron 172.33° E

March the 15th 1859 A brisk gale from N E and rugged
at 6 AM saw a dead whale and took him to the ship
and at 9 began to cut.. at 1 PM finished, he will make about 40 Bbls
thank for so much, took 4 tons from the whale & marked Milton
and two without any mark Lat By Obs 30.04 Long By Chron 123.52°

March the 16th A strong gale all day with rugged directly weather
Employed Boiling Wind from NNE, Ship heading East
at 12 M Spoke Bark Robert Morrison of New Bedford nothing
this season, it appears a little chearfull to be boiling, and I am
full of faith and hope that we shall get 1500 this season
Lord help us, and Bless my wife and children, thus Newman
prays to night, and ever, Lat 29.45 Long 125.00

March 22nd A brisk breeze from N E and fair weather
at 9 AM saw Whales, and chased them without success
at 3 PM more Whales and struck two, cut from both
Lat By Obs 30.36 Long by Chron 125.25° E

March 23rd Strong breezes from N E and good weather
at 8 AM saw Whales and struck one to the WB
and took him to the ship & cut him 70 Bbls
Lat 30.48 Long 125.35

March 28th fresh gales from S W and rugged
struck a whale to WB. kill'd him and took the
line to the ship and he sunk, lay by him 40 hours
and parted the line in trying to haul him up
Lat 30.36 Long 125.50

April 2nd fresh gales from South & rugged
at 11 AM struck a whale to B.B. and he ran
five hours and the line parted at night
A heavy gale from the Westward
Lat 31.35 Long 126.00

April the 5th Moderate breezes from the South
and fair weather at 9 AM saw three Whales
and struck one to the L Boat and at 12 M took
him to the ship 140 Bbls
Lat By Obs 32.00 North - Long 126.10

May 16th left Hakodate bound to the Arctic
to try to get 1200 Bbls

Bark Covington Toward the Arctic Ocean 1859

May the 30th A brisk breeze from S.W and rugged ship with all drawing sail steering N.E.
at 3 P.M kept off N.E by S.E sent down the fore topgallant yard
Saw one fin back, Lat. by Obs 52.32 Long by Chron 167.25 E.

May the 31st A fresh gale from the SSW and thick foggy weather all sail set steering N.E until 12 M when hauled up North by S. rigged A Crow's Nest in the fore topmast crosstrees at 7 P.M hauled up N by W ends with a fresh breeze and a fog at 9 P.M saw some kind of a whale to windward & double reef'd the topgallants
Lat 54.37 N - Long 169.40 E

June the 1st this day commences with a strong gale from the N.E with rain & snow at 2 P.M close reef'd the fore topgallant at 3 wind hauled to the North and clear rugged weather took in main sail & fore sail and veered ship to the E N.E = Lat. 56.05 - Long. 169.22

June the 2nd All day fresh gales from N.W and rugged ship by the wind heading N.E, saw Hump Back
Lat by Obs 56.24 Long by Chron 170.25 E

June the 3rd A fresh gale from westward and clear rugged weather Double reef'd topsails set steering N by W at 1 P.M more moderate and set main sail and jib at 6 P.M the wind hauled to the North ship heading N.E by E, see nothing of the whale kind
Lat by Obs 57.21 N Long by Chron 171.09 E

June the 4th the first part a brisk breeze from WNW and fair weather ship steering N by E, the latter part light breezes and fine weather all sail set at 5 P.M saw two ships & a brig to the NW steering N by E
Lat by Obs 58.19 - Long by Chron 172.12 E

Sunday June the 5th all day light breeze from N.E and fine weather ship by the wind heading N by W at 8 P.M saw two Bowheads and chased them without success, Lat 59.45 Long 172.49 E
The Land first in sight

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Monday June the 6th Commences calm and pleasant at 11 AM took a breeze from the South and steered North at 4 P.M saw Bowheads and had a large whale missed to the bowboat at 8 P.M spoke ship America of New Bedford 3 Whales Lat 60.20 Long 172.20 S

June the 7th the first part a brisk breeze from the N.E with thick snow storm at 11 AM it stopped snowing and set in foggy, the latter part a stiff breeze and thick weather at 12 M spoke ship Eliza Adams of N.B 8 Whales,

June the 8th light air from N.E with overcast sky saw 4 ships, two Boiling the latter part calm at 11 P.M the Eliza Adams, came within 10 foot of us in a thick fog we got clear of each other by towing with the boats no Whales to day

June the 9th commences with a light breeze from S.W ship steering E N.E Eliza Adams in company saw two fin backs, the latter part wind from S.S.E with a thick snow storm, I feel to night almost miserable it is now two months & 3 days since we have taken a drop of oil
Lat 60.45 Long 174.00 East

June the 10th commences with a strong gale from N.E and rugged ship heading N.W at 10 AM cleared up some and saw the land to the Northward at 2 P.M wore ship to the east, and the fore topgallant yard parted and the yard came down and broke it off in the slings, a nice job for cold weather one ship Boiling
Lat 61.20 North long 174.30 East

June the 11th the first part a fresh gale from N.N.E. and rugged the latter part at 3 P.M finished the topgallant yard and sent it aloft and set all sail heading to the N.W I hope when Saturday comes around again we will have two good whales so note it be seen square headed grampus plenty to day

Sunday June the 12th 1859 all this day A light breeze from the West and pleasant weather. All sail set steering N^E. Saw the Ship Saritoga of New Bedford take & Stinker along side, I do hope something will turn up for us before long. I do not begrudge any one what they get but it would make me feel more cheerfull to get something myself. Lat^t 60.58 Long 175.22 East

Monday June the 13th Commences with a brisk breeze from S^W with fine weather at 5 AM saw two Hump Backs and saw a patch of ice to the South, & sail in sight, one Boiling at 6.30 set in a thick fog, and continued until 5 PM when it cleared off some, and set sail again heading to the NW,

June the 14th all this day a light breeze from SW and fine pleasant weather all sail set steering along the land to the E N^E, two Brigs & one Ship in sight at 7 PM saw drift ice along the shore and running to the East from Cape Navarin. Lat^t 62.00 Long 177.45 So Whales

June the 15th the first part blowing heavy from N N^E the latter part moderating at 4 PM saw Bowhead lowered the boats and struck one to the Whidbey Boat, and the whale struck Bow Boat to pieces and hurt 4 men, one of them very bad killed the whale and got him to the ship at 10 O'clock got supper and began to cut Lat^t 61.52 Long Cape Navarin.

June the 16th the first part calm and fine weather, plenty of Whales but they are going fast to the N^E at 3 PM Struck one to the W Boat killed him and took him to the ship at 5 got supper and began to cut at 7 and at 1 AM finished. fresh breezes from NW S^W with a cold fog,

June the 17th all this day a fresh breeze from SW with a thick fog at 10 AM got the decks clear and began to boil.

June the 18th all day a fresh breeze from SW and thick fog with drift ice about ship standing on different tacks at 11 AM the Kanaka died, that was hurt by the whale, and buried at 8 AM. saw 3 or 4 Whales through the day, thick fog all day, the watch employed Boiling

Sunday June the 19th 1859

Strong breezes from SW with a thick fog all day plenty of ice about and I know not what others larger at 1 PM set more sail to avoid the ice, employed Boiling

Monday June the 20th all day a fresh breeze from SW & SW with a dense fog and a large swell from the Northwest ship with double reef'd main topmast and close reef'd fore topmast and stay sails, set standing about 2 hours on each tack, this day makes four days and nights that has been one continual fog I judge my self 50 or 60 miles to the S^E of Cape Navarin, but no means of knowing where I am we look to the weather of our troubles, for Deliverance,

Employed Boiling

June the 21st at 3 AM the fog cleared some and we stood to the Northwest clear of the ice at 6 AM it cleared up and saw & sail 3 Boiling ran the ice to the South but saw no Whales at 2 PM set in foggy again same time spoke ship Eliza Adams 14 Whales at 7 PM finished Boiling

June the 22nd the day begins with an increasing gale from E N^E with a freezing rain storm at 5 AM began to stow the oil and at 6 PM finished stowing 200 Bbls. Spoke ship W. C. Key of New Bedford 17 Whales, ends with a strong gale and rugged weather, the rigging covered with ice

June the 23rd a fresh breeze from the South with a cold rain storm, the ships rigging covered with ice one & two inches thick it is impossible to start a rope without heating the ice off first the latter part some warmer and got the ice off

June the 24th the first and middle part of this day calm with a thick fog at 2 PM the fog cleared off some at 3 AM light air from the SW and set all sail heading to the N^E 4 ships in sight and at 7 AM saw the land bearing NW Slowed down 222 Bbls,

Bark Covington Arctic Ocean 1859

June the 25th all this day a light breeze from South and pleasant all sail set steering to the Northward cape Thaddeus in sight 20 miles and about 15 sail; see nothing of the Whales

Sunday June the 26th

all day a light air from the south with fine pleasant Weather
Lat 63.26 Long 178.49 West

June the 27th commences with light air from the Southward at 1 AM picked up a Dead Whale Striker took him alongside and finished cutting at 12 M about a dozen ships in sight all bound N.E. at 12 M began to boil at 3 kept off N.E. the latter part a moderate breeze and cloudy

June the 28th

the first part of this baffling air and fair weather the latter part light breezes from the Eastward & large field of ice to the Westward and along the shore to the Eastward Cape Baring bearing S^E by W Dist 30 miles, 22 ships in sight to day and the Covington the only one Boiling

June the 29th

the first part calm and overcast sky the latter part a light breeze from North ice plenty and no Whales at 10 AM finished boiling cape Baring Dist 30 Miles ships plenty

June the 30th a fresh breeze from N.W. and pleasant Weather the latter part more moderate and hauled to the West ice plenty employed stowing down oil

July the 1st

all this day a light breeze from S by W with pleasant weather ship with all sail set run to the Eastward along the ice until 12 M when the ice trended to the South, and tacked ship to the Westward, see nothing of the Whales
Lat 63.46

July the 2^d

the first part of this day a strong breeze from the E.S.E and pleasant weather the ship with all sail set standing to the South at 12 M wore ship to the N.E saw one ship but no whales, the latter part a moderate breeze from N.E ship heading N.W
Lat 63.35 Long 178.20 West

Sunday July the 3rd

this day commences with a light breeze from the S.W and pleasant steering N.E with all sail set at 3 PM spoke the Bark Mary & Susan of New Bedford 14 whales at 8 PM breezed up strong from S.S.E and foggy Lat 64.16 Long Cape Bering

July the 4th this day begin with a brisk breeze from S.S.E with thick fog and rugged the middle of latter part nearly calm and a bad swell the fog lighting at intervals saw 7 ships and the land to the N.N.E 100 miles off I do not feel patriotic at all to say I want a good fat whale

July the 5th

this day commences with a light breeze from the S.S.E and foggy at 6 AM the fog cleared off some saw 6 ships but no whales steered S.W till we came up to the ice see nothing, a bad swell from South Lat 64.40 Long 176.06 West

July the 6th

a moderate breeze from S.E and thick fog spoke ship Henry Karelard to oil this season

July 7th commences calm and pleasant weather at 12 M a light breeze from S.E two canoes came off from shore saw a Right Whale and the ship Gay Head got him spoke bark Wm Gifford of New Bedford to oil this season

July the 8th

a brisk breeze from S.E and thick smoky weather saw 4 ship no whales cape Baring bearing N.W Dist 12 miles

July 9th

at 9 AM took a light breeze from South with Pleasant Weather steered along the land to the East at 7 PM off Plover Bay, saw a big Boiling and hauled to the wind

July the 10th 1859 A moderate breeze from the N.W. & W. and pleasant, at 7 AM set in & thick fog stood in shore and made the land and passed Indian point at 1 PM fog squalls at intervals and California Whales plenty, 7 ships in sight bound North, and a field of ice to the Westward.

Monday July the 11th A light breeze from the South and cloudy weather Ship with all sail set steering N.W. at 3 PM saw Rotmanoff Island Bearing N.W. Dist 12 miles hauled on the wind to the Westward from 4 to 7 PM calm and foggy, at 7 the fog lifted a short time and saw the end of the Island bearing N.W. by N. kept the ship N.W. at 9 AM at 10 N.W. at 11 N. by N. at 12 North, at 1 PM N by E. at 2 PM judged East Cape to bear West and heard fog horns from two ships - luffed to the wind with the head yards aback heading East, a dense fog

July the 12th commences with a strong gale from the S.S.E. with thick fog and rugged weather at 10 AM, the fog cleared some and saw one ship same time more ship to the S.W. at 12 M saw East Cape Bearing South Dist 15 Miles, at 2 PM set in foggy again, at 3 kept off North under double reef'd top top sails

July 13th A fresh gale from South with rugged foggy weather the latter part it cleared up some and the wind hauled to the N.W. set all sail heading N.N.E.

July 14th A brisk gale from N.W. and clear rugged weather at 3 PM saw the land point hope bearing South at 10 AM came to ice and tacked ship to the Westward, the latter part increasing breezes and foggy. Lat 68° 01' Long 168.20 W

July the 15th all this day fresh breezes from the North and thick fog lay aback most of the day

July the 16th commences with a light breeze from S.W. and thick fog the middle and latter part calm and thick fog at 6 PM lowered a boat and found small current setting to the Westward
point Hope supposed to bear N.E. Dist 25 miles

Sunday July the 17th at 6.30 AM, the fog lighted up some with a breeze from S.E. set all sail and kept off N.E. W. run 23 miles and hauled aback heading S.W. at 3 PM saw & heard the ice and were round heading to the S.E. at 7 PM continues to thick more ship to the N.E. and remained in 30 fathoms I feel heartily tired of this thick, for we cannot see any Whales, and we know not what dangers surround us

July the 18th all this day a light breeze from Northward and fine pleasant weather ship with all sail set heading to the Eastward along the ice point slope & Cape Libburn in sight spoke the Eliza Adams, informed me of the dogs of the ship Wm Tell of Bay Harbar, lost about 2 miles to the West of East Cape, ran on shore in the fog, at 12 M kept off S.E. by E.

July the 19th began calm and pleasant at 6 AM saw Bow Head going quick to the North, did not see him but one rising at 11 AM took a light breeze from S.E. ship heading S.S.W. 7 ships in sight bound North the latter part steering and cloudy batty Obs 67.69 long 169.20

July the 20th the first part a light breeze from the S.S.E. and cloudy weather ship with all sail set heading S.S.W. the land in sight ahead, the latter part a strong breeze with some rain, at 6 PM kept off N.E. by E. with a fresh gale from the S.E. Lat 67.36

July the 21st commences with an increasing gale from the S.S.E. and thick rugged weather the ship under top sails steering N.N.E. at 10 AM spoke ship America of New Bedford, and luffed to the wind heading S.W. and double reef'd the top sails. Ends with a strong gale and very rugged ship under close reef'd main top sail and staysail.

July 22nd the first part a moderate breeze from South with a bad swell and a rain storm the middle part calm and foggy the latter part a breeze from N.N.E. and clear'd up some and saw the land Cape Libburn Bearing N.N.E. 20 miles I wish I knew where to go to get a whale for this cruising does not pay it will not buy the child & flock

July the 23rd calm all day with thick fog
thick fog thick fog thick fog
Thick fog

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Sunday July the 24th Commences calm and foggy
and continues so untill 12 M. when it cleared up
so as to see a few miles with a light air from Northward
the latter part baffling airs and thick of rainy
this weather makes me think of Home and the loved ones
and wish myself with them, A Standing Wish

July the 25th This day a moderate breeze from
NNE and foggy at intervals cape Liburn bearing
ESE saw 22 ships to day but no whales

July the 26th A brisk breeze all day from
SSE with a thick rain storm

July 27th Baffling airs from Northward
with thick rain storm turned off to the south
at 3 P.M. Spoke the ship Hibernia 2nd of New Bedford
at 8 P.M. A brisk breeze from NNE with rain

July the 28th

Sunday July the 21st Strong gale from North with thick
rugged weather lying too under double reef'd main topgall
Point Hope bearing East Dist 20 Miles

Augt the 1st Strong gale from North with rain
and rugged weather

Augt 2nd the first part a fresh gale from North
with clear rugged weather, the latter part strong
gales with thick fog, at 12 M point Hope 3 Miles off
bearing NE. Saw 6 ships, No Whales

Augt 3rd Strong breezes from North with rain
at intervals saw 7 ships Spoke tybee

4th Light airs from North with rain & squalls
cape Liburn bearing NE. Dist 10 Miles

5th begins with a light breeze from NNE
and pleasant weather at 10 A.M. set in a thick fog
the latter part a brisk breeze with fog & squalls
saw 12 ships, Cape Liburn bearing SSW. Dist 30 Miles

Provisions Broached
Meat

Sept the 25th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
Oct the 12th two bbls of beef two do of pork
November the 1st Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
November the 20th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
Nov. the 25th Broach'd one bbl of pork
Dec. the 17th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
Jan 2^d the 3rd 1850 Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
Jan 7th the 22nd Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
Feb 7th the 9th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
March 1st Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
March 20th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
April the 8th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
April the 25th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
May the 14th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
June the 1st Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
June the 20th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
July the 8th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
July the 23rd Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
August the 9th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
August the 25th Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
Sept the 1st Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
October the 1st Broach'd two bbls of beef two do of pork
October the 9th Broach'd two bbls of pork for Potatoes & turnips
October the 28th Broach'd one bbl of beef one do of pork
November the 6th Broach'd one bbl of beef one do of pork
November the 13th Broach'd two bbls, after the 22nd do two do
Dec. the 1st Broach'd two bbls, Dec. the 9th two do
Dec. the 13th Broach'd two bbls, Dec. the 19th Broach'd two do
Dec. the 27th Broach'd two bbls, Jan 3^d the 7th Broach'd two do
Jan 3^d the 23rd Broach'd two bbls, Feb 5th Broach'd two bbls
Feb 16th Broach'd two bbls, Feb 22nd Broach'd two bbls
March the 3rd Broach'd two bbls, March 11th Broach'd two bbls
March the 20th Broach'd two bbls, March 29th Broach'd two bbls
April the 8th Broach'd two bbls, April 17th Broach'd two bbls
April the 27th Broach'd two bbls, May the 6th Broach'd two bbls
May the 16th Broach'd two bbls, May the 25th two bbls
June the 3rd two bbls, June the 11th two bbls
June the 18th two bbls, June the 28th two bbls
July the 5th two bbls, July the 14th two bbls
July the 22nd two bbls, July the 30th two bbls
August the 7th two bbls, August the 15th two bbls
August the 23rd two bbls, August the 31st two bbls
Sept the 8th two bbls, Sept the 16th two bbls
Sept the 24th two bbls, October the 2nd two bbls
October 10th two bbls, October the 18th two bbls
October the 26th two bbls, Nov. the 6th two bbls
Nov. the 16th 524 lbs Nov. the 29th 456 lbs
over the 9th one bbl pork

Provisions Broach'd

Bread & the Flour

Sept the 28th Broach'd two pipes of flour with night 463
October the 21st Broach'd cash - 2 do 323
Nov. the 20th Broach'd pipe set Net 572
Jan 3^d the 3rd 1850 Broach'd pipe of old flour 550
Jan 7th the 30th Broach'd cash of bread 534
Feb 7th the 25th Broach'd cash of bread 343
March the 20th Broach'd cash of bread 543
May the 6th Broach'd A pipe of bread 586
June the 4th Broach'd A pipe of bread 586
June the 22nd Broach'd A pipe of bread 494
July the 18th Broach'd A pipe of bread 415
August the 7th Broach'd A pipe of bread 430
August the 25th Broach'd A cash of old bread about 400
Sept the 29th Broach'd A pipe -- 512
October the 22nd Broach'd A pipe Net weight 510
November the 19th Broach'd A pipe -- 522
December the 5th Broach'd A pipe -- 525
December the 15th Sold A pipe -- 518
December the 31st Broach'd A pipe 500
February the 18th Broach'd A pipe 550
April the 4th Broach'd A cash -- 500
May the 2nd Broach'd A pipe 491
May the 26th Broach'd A cash -- 363

Deli' Meat

Dec the 24 th Broach'd A bbl	223 lbs
Jan 3 ^d one bbl pork	200
Jan 3 ^d Broach'd Beef	320 lbs
Jan 3 ^d one bbl of pork	200
Jan 3 ^d 25 th Beef	330
Jan 3 ^d 28 th Pork over all	200
Feb 3 rd 8 th two bbls	400
Feb 3 rd 15 th two bbls	—
Feb 3 rd 25 th two bbls	—
March 3 rd two bbls	—
March 19 th two bbls	—
March 19 th two bbls	—
March 25 th	959
April 2 nd one bbl of Pork	
April 8 th one bbl of Beef	
April 14 th one bbl of Pork	
18 th one bbl of Beef	

Tow Line Broach, I
 Sept the 26th 4 coil of line
 payed the 12th one coil — 8.80 ft.
 May the 6th Broach, I one coil — 2.20
 May the 9th Broach, I one coil — 2.20
 June the 15th Broach, I one coil — 2.20
 Sept the 7th Broach, I one coil — 2.20
 Sept the 13 — — — — — 2.20
 May the 8th — — — — — 2.20
 May 16th three coils 6.60 ft.
 June the 1st started 10 coils 22.00 ft.
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 52.80

Molasses Broach, I
 Sept the 25th one cash gage 103
 payed the 11th one cash gage 121
 April the 10th one cash gage 100
 July the 9th broach, I an Alms cash, short 4
 August the 1st Broach, I cash giving 11
 October the 25th Broach, I cash gage 11
 Febry the 25th Broach, I A cash gage 11
 June the 10th Broach, I cash gage 11
 August the 4th Broach, I A cash gage 11
 Jan 7th the 25th

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