Bark Canton Packet's Log Book

Saturday January 8th 1859

Begins with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S.W. ship heading to the W.N.W. with all sail set at 7 P.M. hauled ship to the wind & cleared latter part much the same
Lattitude 38.15 S.
Longitude 176.05 E.

Sunday January 9th

Begins with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W.N.W. ship heading to the N. employed in ship & set mid & latter part much the same
Lattitude 38.05 S.
Longitude 176.05 E.

Monday January 10th

Begins with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. & E. saw 3 large sperm whales going quick to the N.E. worked ship to the windward and hauled alongside the boat & cut in the carcass of a sperm whale and the boat's crew manned 2 whales bigger than it and one or more and the captain struck him with a piece of rotting line & threw it in mid & latter part working to the N.E. latter part fresh breezes from the N.E. at 10 P.M. saw 2 large sperm whales blowing and struck one and killed him

Lattitude 38.15 S.
Longitude 176.15 E.

Wednesday January 19th 1858

Begins with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the S. ship heading to the W.N.W. employed in ship & set mid & latter part much the same
Lattitude 34.05 S.
Longitude 174.15 E.

Thursday January 20th

Begins with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the W.N.W. ship heading to the N. employed in ship & set sail & bent a new fore sail mid & latter part pleasant latter part spoke the Roman 2 days 17 months out clean
Lattitude 35.01 S.
Longitude 175.10 E.

Friday January 21st

Begins with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. ship heading to the W.N.W. saw the east coast of New Zealand bearing W.N.W. distant 3 leagues mid & latter part working up to Mangonui
Lattitude 35.55 S.
Longitude 175.20 E.

Saturday January 22d

Begins with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the N.W. laying off and on and getting round on board mid & latter part the same
Lattitude 34.55 S.
Longitude 175.20 E.