the whale sunk yesterday to see if he would not come up for us but he has not made his appearance to ships in sight today. If we could only get three or four more whales before we leave how thankful we would be. I suppose our company received a shock yesterday that it will take them some time to overcome. The E wind continued through the day towards night becoming a regular gale. just before dark passed the Mary Frazier - the Eleone near by.

5th. The gale increased through the night and this morning it blows with redoubled fury. a gale so severe and so long as this we have not seen before this voyage, about noon it commenced moderating, the Polar Star close by us in the afternoon, there has been and is, quite a heavy sea but it is so short that it does not much affect the motion of a ship. She lay to very nicely - saw one bow-head today.

6th Spoke the Eleone this morning. Capt Simmons informed us that he picked up our boat. Samuel went on board to see about it. found that he picked it up, found it stove very badly attempted to tow it, and it broke in two. he took the other part in but Samuel did not think it worth taking so left it with Capt. S. for fire wood. there was no gun in it when he found it. probably it was loose in the boat and was lost when she capsized. Capt Simmons returned with Samuel and passed the day with us as it was calm so that we could go no where to look for whales. after dinner Capt. Jones of the George A Swan came on board and before sunset we had an addition to our company of Capt. Sinker of the Montezuma. he is a cousin of Mary's and has visited Falmouth since we left home. they left about 4 P.M. Capt S. sent us some pickled halibut and some onions which were very acceptable. Capt Simmons has taken three whales, the other Captains two each.

7th Cruised around all day without seeing anything wind very light almost a calm. after tea spoke the Majestic Capt. Chester and soon after Capt Sinker of the Montezuma lowered his boat and came on board. Capt Chester has taken two whales this season one on Hodsack and one here. while they were here the wind blew up quite strong

from the North and Samuel has almost concluded to leave if we have another Northerly gale tomorrow thinking as the bad weather appears to have come on in earnest that we shall stand a better chance to get another whale in Bristol Bay than we shall in the Arctic. I wish we knew what was best for us, but to do the best that we know how under exciting circumstances ought to be all that is required of us.

8th A strong Northerly gale through the night. about 9 A.M. squared the yards to go as far down as Cape Lisburne and further still, if we saw nothing. the consequence was that we saw nothing, about 3 P.M. raised two ships laying to" one of them kept off with us. and before night we raised another which we spoke just before dark, she proved to be the Bargue Emerald Capt. Pierce Nothing the Lesson. that will hardly pay the expenses of a wife and two children in Honolulu.

9th. Two ships in sight of us through the day. about noon the wind left us. a dead calm with a heavy swell. made no headway at all through the afternoon. after tea one of the ships set a signal for gamming. Samuel did not go. but the other Captain went. by one of the ship's signals we found her to be the Christopher Mitchell. Saw East Cape before sunset

10th Dead Calm and thick for most of the night. towards morning a slight breeze sprang up. Samuel did not sleep much. about 4 A.M. heard a sound as of breakers very near could not tell whether it was land or ice. thick throughout the day heard fog-horns once from another ship. about 4 P.M. it lighted up so that we saw what we supposed to be East Cape. and found that during the calm we were carried to the North East by a very strong current.

11th Saw land astern of us this morning which we suppose to be St Laurence Bay. a Bargue on our lee beam about 10 A.M. she set her signal and we went down and spoke her. she proved to be the Bargue George Capt Silva came on board and stopped until about 2 P.M. he has taken 2 whales this season. was stove in the ice several weeks ago and leaks quite badly. light airs for most of the day so that we make but little head way. Capt S. went on board again about 2 P.M. and just before dark we spoke again to see if it was