bound up to Cape Farewell had not seen a whale for some time. We had our stove put up once more as the weather has become quite cool and uncomfortable

9th. The wind has blown strong through the week first from one direction and then from another. Saw a ship this morning — passed a carcass in the afternoon raised a ship just before dark. We were laying to, he was running before the wind, spoke us as he passed proved to be a large Merchant ship probably from Hobart town or Sidney. a very strong breeze

10th. A furious gale from the Westward about equal to those we experienced in Bristol Bay. If we can get our victuals to our mouths, we are fortunate, before that we are not sure of them. Our Cook was obliged to get two suppers tonight in skipping a sea. every thing was taken from the stove by the roll of the ship, fish, potatoes, meat and coppers all rolling around the deck together, such terrible times are not very common.

11th. The gale still continues, it comes in squalls of wind and hail with great violence. Saw a Sperm whale playing around the ship in the morning nothing seemed to disturb him. Query? Would he have been so still had it been good weather. About noon it moderated a little raised land to the leeward, the Snares as they are called two small islands around which it is very good whale ground if we can only have the weather.

13th. More moderate today but very rugged. Spoke the Mary & Susan, Capt. Stewart understood him to say that he had taken four whales and that his casks were full. he was here I suppose as much as a month before us. He was bound direct for New Bedford. Saw Mrs Stewart and her little boy on deck. Capt Stewart said the whales were to the South West of us.

14th. Tried to get to the South West to day but the wind not being fair, we made but little. Too rugged to lower even if we had seen whale. Had seven little pigs today.

15. Strong breezes today, we have gale upon gale in rapid succession. The Mother pig ate up five of her children and the other two died so we are as well off as we were before in that respect.

17th. Raised a ship in the morning, spoke her about noon she proved to be the Eliza F. Mason, Capt Smith, said he took two whales ten days since, about here, but had seen nothing since, he did very well here last season. He wanted Samuel to go on board, but he said he would have for nothing short of a whale, while it was so rugged Mrs Smith and child were on board.

18th. We have been heading in towards the Snares today saw the E. F. Mason in company with another ship gamming, if they had not been so far to the windward Samuel would like to have joined them to gain what information he could in regard to whales. We have not seen a right whale yet and have been all over the ground. A fine pleasant day and a great pity that we could not have improved it by getting a whale, the pleasant days are so few. About sunset it commenced blowing again quite strong

19th. The wind blowing a gale. Saw the E. F. Mason in the morning the gale continued to increase until about noon it blew furiously, the sea being a feather white. I believe it blew harder than any thing we have had this voyage. towards night it moderated some but continued to blow quite a hard gale.

20th. More moderate, made a little sail in the morning Samuel would like to go in near the land to see if he can find a sperm whale as the moon changes tomorrow it is a good time. Raised the "Snares" in the afternoon, after tea witnessed a whirlwind which appeared to be forming into a waterspout. it passed across our bows, very rapidly. Heavy squalls of wind and rain during the day. Saw a ship in the morning