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at 4 at 10 reefed the main sail hand gills
And spanker at 8 set them a good strong
breeze and heavy squalls from W at 11
at 5 P.M. more moderate turned over
keel out of the topsails and under sail and
set main top gallant sail latter part squally
steering by the wind heading few or south
to W S W

Long 141:34 East
Lat 33:35 S

Tuesday 5th commenced with light baffling
winds from W with heavy squalls of wind
and rain steering by the wind to the S W
under single reefed topsails courses and
main top gallant sail employed at feeding
halibut blocks for foremast standing
at 3 o'clock at 10 saw the Island of Oahu
bearing from south to S E by S distant
40 miles Middle part calm until 3 o'clock
P.M. then had a light breeze from E S E
steering S W by W until 3 o'clock then hauls
over wind to the south saw the Island of Oahu
bearing S E distant 30 miles saw 5 sails all
marking the best of their way to the south
employed at a little of everything about the
cable and relaxed the anchor fluted some
water cask in the waist that stood forward
The captain kept the starboard watch on deck at 10
time and then gave them a lecture on matters in gen-
eral for going below before the other watch came on
deck.

Long 141:00 East
Lat 32:00 S

Wednesday 6th commenced with fresh breeze from East
steering by the wind to the southward under all sail
the captain says as the devil he has scarcely ap-
peared to the left guard for the last 2 days
At sundown the Island of Oahu bore S E distant
40 miles the Island as we saw it appears to be high
and mountainous the tops of the mountains were
covered with snow saw a few ducks and one pair
miserable fin back new and sails steering to the
southward Middle part fresh breeze at 8 o'clock
hauls top gallant sails and single reefed the
topsails so here we are once more on
the broad Pacific and still bound south of
the wind with speed and shall soon find at
last a port. There are none at present.

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And now I bid farewell to the northers seas
I shall never visit them more unless
circumstances compels me to I have
had enough of whaling I will leave the
business and try my luck at something
else According to the course of nature I
have that a great many more years on
this side of the dark valley and I believe
it to be the duty of man to pass his
days as comfortable as possible

Middle part strong breeze at 4 o'clock
P.M. set main top gallant sail over say
he reefed main topsail at 11 hauled
at double reefed fore topsail at 10
derivations although there was a
very good chance to take them but
the captain and mate are so clammed
up that we would not take the
risk for fear of pleasing the other
The second mate says the captain has
the abulley plumb it is a skin dis-
ease to me and I believe it to be a
disagreeable complaint to the afflicted
although I perceive it does not
affect the invalids a particle or disturb
his sleep

Lat 29:10 N
Long 140 W East

Thursday 7th commenced with fresh breeze from S E
employed at taken in sail most of the at the commen-
cement of the day she was under single reefed top
sails and courses at 3 o'clock at 4 o'clock had all hand
ed but close reef main topsail and spankers
blowing strong with fog and rain the ship is
very uncomfortable as her deck leaks and
is bad at 5 o'clock P.M. moderate set
close reefed topsails and reefed courses at 9
had her under single reefed topsails and
courses steering by the wind heading south
we have a very heavy swell arising from the
S E which makes the ship labour heavily

Lat 28:50 S
Long 140:00 W S