

Thursday March 4th Fresh breeze from NE

and Cloudy weather and Cool, Shortened Sail last night, Stood by the wind upon opposite tacks through the 24 hours, Sat Sail in the morning, Saw several Finbacks, Broke out for Flour, Shortened the new main top gallant Sail, Cooper making buckets, Carpenter painting buckets, Snowed some

Sat by 38, 59

Friday March 5th

Fresh wind from NE to NNE and Clear and Cold, it froze last night, Standing upon opposite tacks through the night and through the day, Stood to the Eastward, Saw some Finbacks, Cut off the new main top sail and shortened it on the lead, Put up the house in the fore part of the mast cross trees, Thinned the round house in side, Cooper making buckets, I think I shall work for Hakadada, Not seeing any right whales,

Sat by 39, 27 Long E by Ch 138, 12

Saturday March 6th

Last night light wind from NE and good weather, Heading NE all last Sat, this morning wind hauled to N and light, At 11 AM the wind from S and breezed up West, steering NE by E, Land in sight on our weather bow East, It is Hokkaido Cape and an island off to the NW sight, Repairing the fore top sail At night walked looking up and breezing on and looking like Rain, Carpenter painting some

Sat by 40, 35 Long E by Ch 138, 2

Sunday March 7th This morning we was close to

the Western passage of the Straits Isugar and blowing in a gale from WNW and thick snow squally, We then ran to the Straits and kept the N shore aboard, finally we came down to close reefed topsails and stogsails, At 12 AM saw the Furber & took a pilot from a Lunk, At 1 PM came to anchor in gathering of water with both anchors, We run for the light boat at the mouth of the Channel, Boat on the North side of the Channel and a Boy on the South side the Channel & on the Point of the Shoal, Then close to the light boat & pass South side, Sailed well around to the North before you come to the light boat or about the middle of the bay, Anchor to the ESE of the point, A Man came off from the shore wishing me to trade with him, 2 or 300 Lunks, 2 or 3 Steamers of war, See plenty of wood growing on the back land, Land white with snow and frozen nights with northerly wind, It is very cold to day with thick snow squally

Monday March 8th

Strong wind from NNE and Cold Sent down the main gallant & main topmast and gutted the new topmast, Unbent the foresail and spread it for a lee, forward of the foremast, I went on shore with the Consul and staid all night, Both anchors down,

Tuesday 9th Sent aloft the main topmast & gallant mast and Sat up the rigging, Wind hauled to the SE and blowed on with some rain, Toke one anchor in the morning, Sent aboard some Codfish, An English barque came in to anchor with Coal,