

Fast Days

Journal on board the ship Emma

Remarks on Board this Day December 28<sup>th</sup>  
 These 24 hours commenced with a strong breeze  
 from the W. and rain at 2 pm the wind came  
 West. and cleared of the land were all plain  
 on side of the weather. Steam raised sail set the  
 Gibber & fore and main. Top sails. Subble reefed  
 4 pm saw a sail ahead at 5 pm the land  
 was about 20 miles off of the weather. Steam  
 had no water and raised sail all night.  
 Had good weather at day. late saw the ship at 8.  
 The captain went to shore. the captain's from  
 the other ships their names were James of New B.  
 The other was washing down of new Redford

So ends this Day

Remarks on Board this Day December 29<sup>th</sup>  
 These 24 hours commenced fine the captain  
 on shore at sunset he came of and stood off  
 the land till 11 pm tucked in shore at 2 am the  
 Captain went on shore at 12 pm the boat came  
 I heard withings bunches of potatoes at 3 pm  
 The boat went on shore at 4 pm sunset  
 found land steered S. the E by E

Remarks on Board this Day December 30<sup>th</sup>  
 These 24 hours commenced fine at 1 pm the  
 boat went on shore at 4 pm the boat came  
 home and steered S. E by E. the James Steer  
 with us at 6 pm saw two wright whales  
 The James lowered two boats and killed them  
 The sunset took in sail for the night the  
 James raised sail. set all hands at 10 pm  
 11 pm wind with the wind was N. W. steered to  
 the S. W. and the James were ship to the N. E. and  
 at 12 pm broke out for water. glass an better  
 at 1 pm saw a sail. the copper is  
 employed fitting the masts at 11 pm  
 saw a sail. So ends this Day

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Remarks on Board this Day December 31<sup>st</sup>  
 These 24 hours commenced fine the wind is S. W. at 11 am  
 the copper is employed fitting the masts at 11 pm  
 sunset took in sail for the night at 11 pm the  
 James and the ship at 12 pm at 1 am and  
 Main sail the wind was N. W. blowing a strong  
 breeze. Steered S. E. at 2 pm past 3 pm saw wright  
 whale lowered. boats at 4 pm the boat struck  
 the whale. killed 4 men on the boat the  
 L. B. came and picked up the men the whale  
 took the line the W. B. sucked up the  
 line the main put us the board of our boat  
 He got for the 2<sup>nd</sup> man killed him got him  
 I long side at 11 pm got breakfast and  
 commenced writing. So ends this Day

Remarks on Board this Day January 1<sup>st</sup>  
 These 24 hours commenced with a strong breeze  
 the James was employed cutting firewood at 1 pm  
 at 2 pm started the masts and set the  
 Main sail with the Subble reef top sails at 4 pm  
 employed sailing. So ends this Day

Remarks on Board this Day January 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 These 24 hours commenced with a strong breeze  
 the James was employed sailing at 1 pm lowered  
 short top. I wright whale did not get him  
 saw a boat at 3 pm took in sail at 4 pm  
 set the watch it is very rough it was  
 rainy and blew all the night from at 8 pm  
 finished sailing it was blowing a gale from  
 the S. W. heading to the N. on the the  
 harbour water went low so the Hunter  
 watch was employed cleaning up the boat  
 So ends this Day

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