Remarks on board Bark Albion.

Saturday December 25th 1869

Two years from New Bedford with five hundred &c

Fine weather & light breeze from the N.E. one sail in sight. Pyrmade bearing nearly N.E. Note. Celia, My Dear. two years ago to day we parted. I think thought of it to day. This day has not been as sad as I thought it would be, as I am going to commence a letter to you to night. I shall not write much here for you perused it. I could only dash off this night to my dear. I think I might then be happy.

Sunday December 26th

Fine weather all day, steering different courses during the day. One sail in sight. Land bearing about N.W. I guess.

Monday December 27th

L.E. var. caught a B. Fish

Fore part light. latter part strong from the S.E. Lowered twice to day after blackfish & one after Killers. at 7 PM Gained with the Bark Cleone. 15 miles but 225 yards

Tuesday December 28th

Light breeze & fine weather all day. one sail in sight.

165 Miles from the Bark & hope to see in the course of the next 7 days

Wednesday December 29th

Fresh breeze from N.N.E. On different tacks one sail in sight. Land in sight to the N.

Thursday December 30th / 69

Strong breeze from about N.N.W. under reef topsails standing to the W. Two sails in sight have seen no land to day.

Friday December 31st / 69

Strong breeze all day from the N.E. about N.N.E. passed the Bark Cleone to day

Cruising of Chatham Islands.

Saturday January 1st 1870

Commenced with a whole sail breeze from about N.N.E. at 5:45 A.M. Mr Hall raised a breach shortly after saw the spouts. Knew them to be Sperm Whale. Bark Minnesota in sight. We see signals for her, she passes within three or four miles of us but took no notice of us. we stayed until 6 P.M. lowered about 7.30 A.M. Bow Boat struck a whale & they started off. at 1.30 P.M. Pyrmade bore N.W. & N. from 10 to 14 miles I should judge. Lat 44.44 S Long 176.27 E

Sunday January 2nd / 70

Commenced steering East. Fore part whole topsails. Middle part reefed topsail. jib & mainsail in

Monday January 3rd / 70

Fore part moderate gale from the N.N.E. at 10 A.M. made some sail & latter part moderate ~~gale~~ breeze. Land in sight; no sails in sight.

Tuesday January 4th / 70

Fresh breeze from the N.E. at 4 A.M. fore reef in the main topsail

Wednesday January 5th / 70

Fine weather & light air. Bark Cleone in sight of us. Ca bang for quarter. No land in sight to day. Employed overhauling the old & inboard boat

Cleone 250 miles

Thursday January 6th / 70

Moderate breeze all day from the N.E. Gained with the Bark Cleone Capt Luce

Friday January 7th / 70

This day commenced with a fresh breeze from the N.E. about 4.40 A.M. Saw the Cleone whaling about 5 A.M. We raised Sperm whales. a pod of four or five going to the leward. lowered the whales saw the boat & went to the windward. I was light on my boat. He thinks I can catch a whale & I keep me on board. ~~He does~~ but I know I can catch one if we a chance or else get some reader fish if we can bring it to wind stand up for my rights. I would know whether I have the whole or whether some one else