Remarks on board Ship Alfred Gibbs

38 Friday Dec. 5th 764

light airs from W.W.S. & S.E. Latt. part calm at 4 p. 8 all see Sperm. Whales at noon lowered in comp. with the Belle, Lat. 22.10 Long 155.58

39 Saturday 6th 765

light airs at 2 P.M. the most part struck large Whale & lowered the Iron the Belle got one Whale. took him along side & cutt him in. Latt. part see Whales lowered with no success the whale being killed, Lat. 22.18 S Long 157.13 E.

40 Sunday Dec. 7th 766

light breeze, breezing at 6 A.M. see Sperm. Whales going S.W. Now lowered for them struck a 60 bbl. Whale sounded 2 lines & then the Iron broke, lost the whale, for the last 6 months we have been truly unfortunate the 23 days passed in particular, 2 large whales has been well struck & lost

Monday Dec. 8th 767

light breeze Chasing Whales with No Success. Latt. part Moderate, Lat. 23.27 Long 157.04

Tuesday Dec. 9th 768

Moderate breeze from E.N.E. the whale on board the Belle turned up 47 bbls. I shall send my part home in the Belle. Lat. Long

41 Wednesday Dec. 10th 769

Moderate breeze from East. at 2 P.M. see a large whale going N.W. & W. at 3 lowered in comp. with the Belle at 5 P.M. I got up to the whale in the Belly boat & struck an Iron into him the line parted with no strain on it. Lat. 21.34 Long 156.24, 770

Thursday Dec. 11th

Moderate breeze from the East. Latt. part ~~see~~ Moderate Lat. 21.34 Long 156.24 E

Driving, Lat. 22.00 S. Long 157.00 E. Dec. 1/87

42 Thursday Dec. 11th 770

Latt. part fresh breeze & buggy at 7 A.M. see Whales lowered in comp. with the Belle No success whales very wild Lat. 22.08 S. Long 156.30 E.

43 Friday Dec. 12th 771

Moderate breeze from the Eastward & buggy at 2 P.M. lowered with no success for a large whale. Latt. part light air & calm at 6 A.M. see 2 whales 2 diving going quick to the N.E. Lat. 22.07 Long 156.33

Saturday Decr. 13th 772

light breeze from S.E. see black fish Latt. part strong breeze Lat. 22.16 Long 156.57

Sunday Dec. 14th 773

begins with fresh breeze. Latt. part light air see a fin back Lat. 22.26 Long 156.37

Monday Dec. 15th 774

best begins with light air & some cloudy. Latt. part fresh breeze Lat. 22.00 Long 157.02

Tuesday Dec. 16th 775

fresh breeze from East to E.S.E. Latt. part strong wind under double reefs. Lat. 21.57 Long 157.06

Wednesday Dec. 17th 776

Strong wind from E.S.E. Lat. 22.25 Long 156.22

Thursday Decr. 18th 777

Strong wind from E.S.E. under double reefs very buggy. Lat. 22.23 Long 156.52

Friday Dec. 19th 778

fresh breeze. lost out the Iron reefs. Lat. 22.36 Long 156.47

Saturday Dec. 20th 779

fresh breeze & cloudy. Lat. 22.07

Sunday Dec. 21st 780

fresh breeze & cloudy the Belle in sight. Lat. 22.44 S Long 157.39 E.

44 Monday Dec. 22d 781

fresh breeze from E.S.E. at 1½ the wind to the Northward at 7 A.M. see Whales lowered & struck a 60 bbl. whale both Irons broke lost the Whale, hard luck. Lat. 24.02 S Long 157.17 E