

102 Ship Gideon Howland Cruising on

The 25th of September commences fine weather  
light trades steering SSE at 12 M  
were round steering NW at sun down  
took in sail and left to the wind head  
ing N Lat 20° 15' Long 160° 40' West

Sat 26th all this day fine weather light trades  
steering SW at 9 AM saw whales  
lowered 4 boats the W Boat first struck  
and dragged 2 others which the S and B Boats  
turned up got them along side at 2 PM  
and cut them in by sun down  
took in sail and set both crews  
watching so ends this day Lat  
Long

Sund 27th this day fine weather strong trades  
at daylight began to boil J.C.  
all hands employed boiling  
Lat 1° 32' S Long 160° 51' W

Mon 28th all this day fine weather light  
trades at 8 AM finished boiling turned  
up so we washed the decks off at 12 M  
saw whales lowered 4 boats all struck  
S & W Boat drove S & B Boat turned  
them up got them alongside at sundown  
and lay by them Lat 1° 16' North  
Long

Tues 29th all this day fine weather light trades  
at daylight commenced cutting out  
in a small whale before breakfast and  
commenced cutting the large one got done  
at 5 PM and commenced boiling J.C.  
Lat 1° 16' North Long

Wed 30th commences fine weather light trades  
all hands employed boiling at 9 AM saw  
Lat 1° 16' North Long 160° 40' West  
took them alongside a cow & calf  
part eaten all hands employed boiling

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Thurs 1st of October commences fine light trades  
at daylight cuffed all hands and cut in  
the 2 whales all hands employed boiling at  
10 AM saw breeches came up to them at 11 AM  
was sperm whales lowered 4 boats got 1 whale  
took them along side and lay by them all  
night Lat 1° 20' S

Fri 2nd all this day fine weather light trades all  
hands employed boiling blubber after we cut  
the whales in J.C. Lat 1° 12' S

Sat 3rd fine weather light trades finished boiling  
at 9 AM cleared up the decks washed off  
J.C. coppered the oil J.C. Lat 1° 40' S  
Long 160° 15' W

Sund 4th commences strong trades & squally at  
9 AM saw whales lowered 4 boats  
W Boat struck and killed him  
took him alongside and cut him in  
at 5 PM began to boil so ends this day  
Lat 1° 20' S Long 160° 05' W

Mon 5th all this day fine weather light trades  
at 9 AM finished boiling turned up so we  
began breaking out in the fore hold on  
the side and stowed down 140 bl oil  
saw whales this day but they were along  
way off Lat 1° 12' S Long 160° W

Tues 6th all this day fine weather light trades  
commenced stowing down at 6 AM saw whales  
lowered 3 boats did not get past at 12 M  
saw whales again lowered 4 boats 1 B.O.  
struck took him alongside and lay by  
him all night Lat 1° 40' S

Wed 7th all this day fine weather at daylight  
began to cut up the whale cut him in  
and began to boil J.C. Lat 1° 50' S