

1866

Bark Hamilton Capt. Eadwin Esq. Master

Wednesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>

Comes in light airs from S.E. and  
 calm. Masafuro blowing E.S.E. dist  
 25 miles. Middle and Scatter much the same  
 So Ends.

Thursday Dec 30<sup>th</sup>

Comes in light airs from S.E. by N.E.  
 Masafuro Bearing S.E. dist 20 miles.  
 Middle and Scatter breezes from S.E. by N.  
 S.W. by E. by E. Masafuro Bearing E.S.E.  
 dist 20 miles So Ends.

Friday Dec 31<sup>st</sup>

Comes in breezes from S.E. by S. east and  
 cloudy. At 7 o'clock at 7 hours S. by S. saw  
 a whale spouting to leeward but could  
 not make it out dark but the light  
 of it called it a sperm whale.  
 Masafuro Bearing S.E. dist 40 miles.  
 Middle and Scatter strong breezes.  
 S.W. by E. by S. at 12 hours S. by S.  
 sighted from the island of Masafuro Bearing E.S.E.  
 dist 10 miles So Ends.

January 1<sup>st</sup> year of our Lord 1867.  
 Comes in fresh breezes from S.E. by S.  
 by S. by E. from S. by S. dist 25  
 miles, were ship to S.W. Middle and  
 Scatter strong winds by on different  
 tacks. The island of Masafuro Bearing  
 S.E. dist 25 miles So Ends.

My bark is on the billow I must  
 wander far from you, but with a sad  
 and aching heart I bid you all adieu.

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Cruising of Masafuro for sperm oil.

Wednesday Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>

Comes in strong breezes from S.E.  
 by S. by S. from Masafuro at sundown  
 S.E. dist 30 miles. Middle and  
 Scatter strong breezes. S.W. by S. by S.  
 Masafuro in sight Bearing S.W. dist  
 25 miles. 12 hours steering in for  
 island. A merchant bark in sight  
 by the wind to S.W. So Ends.

Thursday January 3<sup>rd</sup>

Comes in strong breezes from S.E.  
 heading in shore at hour S. by S. ship  
 under the lee of the island dist of  
 shore one half mile. calm ship heading  
 in shore. Toward one boat to tow her round  
 at 2 hours took the breeze. kept the ship  
 by the wind to S. by S. double reef topsails.  
 7 hours the same. Middle and Scatter  
 strong breezes by on different tacks.  
 So Ends.

Friday Jan 4<sup>th</sup>

Comes in strong breezes from S.E. and  
 S.W. by S. by S. at 7 hours S. by S.  
 were ship to S.E. by S. Masafuro Bearing  
 S. dist 10 miles. Middle and Scatter  
 fresh breezes with S.W. by S. by S. So Ends.

Saturday Jan 5<sup>th</sup>

Comes in fresh from S.E. with S.W.  
 by S. by S. on different tacks. Middle  
 the same. S.W. by S. by S. Masafuro Bearing  
 S.W. dist 25 miles. Ship steering S.W. by S.  
 12 hours land dist 15 miles. hauled  
 to the wind. So Ends.