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Journal of a voyage from New Bedford towards

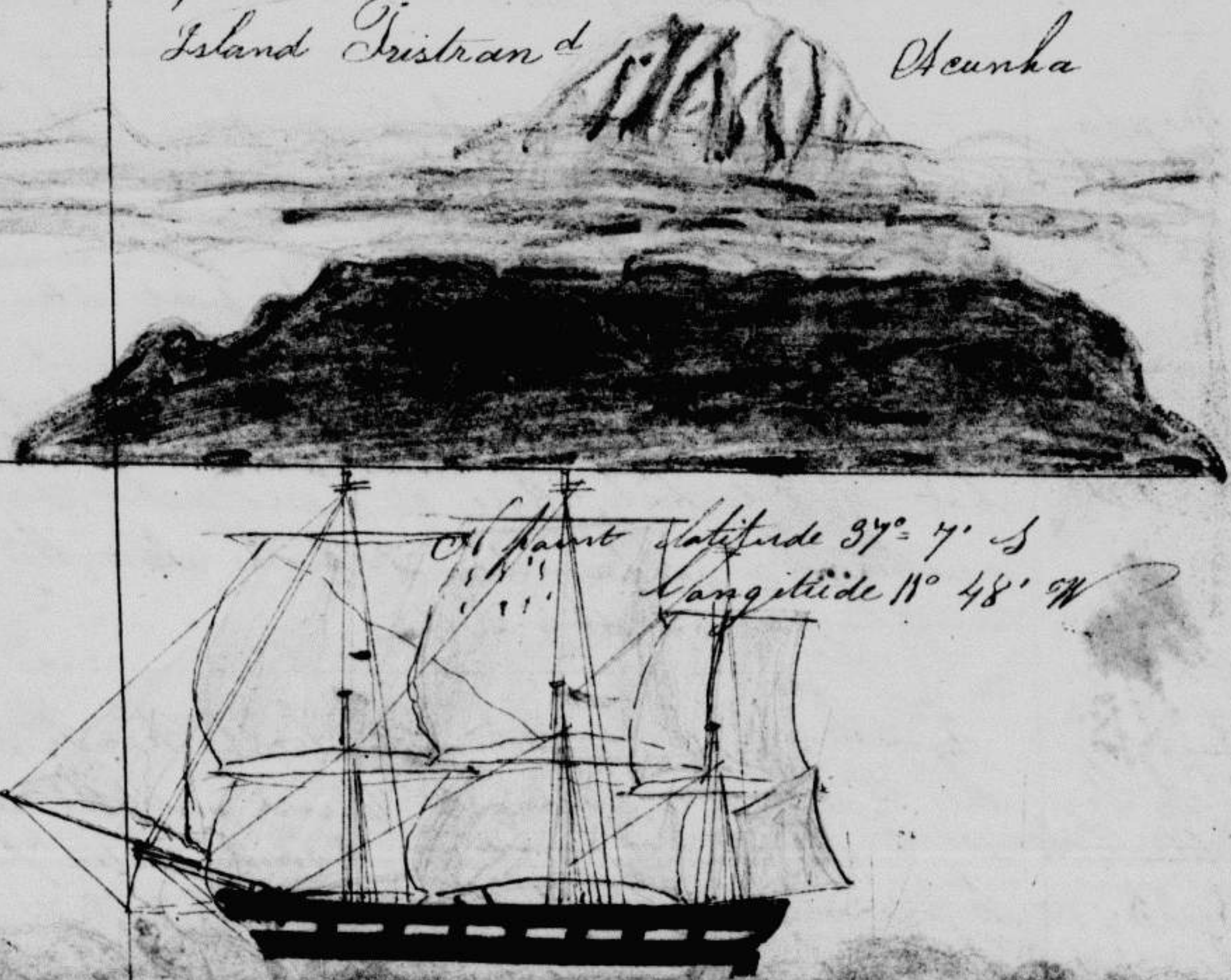
The Cape of Good Hope & Indian Ocean Edward Mathier

Wednesday
21st Day
of October
Latitude Obs

Longitude at
10^h 11^m 50^s

P. M. Commences with fine breezes from the East & cloudy weather & civil we keep 3 mast heads & one of the officers Middle part the wind more light at 1 A. M. tacked ship at 3 tacked again at 5 30 I made the island Tristan da Cunha Bearing about S. by E. a bright misted ship of our sea beam trying standing the same way. So ends these 24 hours on board the ship. Thanks all hands well. Making about S. E. course & going about 6 miles per hour. I. G. Sails Sat strong winds & clear the top of Tristan covered with snow.

A view of the Bearing S. W. 1/4 S. by compass
Island Tristan da Cunha



Latitude 37° 4' S
Longitude 18° 48' W

Thursday
22nd
Latitude by
Obs 36° 40'

Longitude
at 1 P. M.
3° 51' 45"

All these 24 hours strong winds from E. & E. to N. E. & good weather at 4 P. M. the Tristan da Cunha Bare W. & S. Middle part took in I. G. Sails at 6 P. M. Saw two whales Supard them to be hump backs. Ends with strong winds clear weather & I. G. Sails Sat the watch employed in ships duty & 4 on a lookout aloft after whale.

Friday
23rd
Latitude by
Obs 36° 18'

the first part of these 24 hours strong winds from the N. E. & good weather & Coolish saw several finbacks at 9 more moderate Sat I. G. Sails at 2 P. M. took in I. & Mizen topgallensail making about E. by S. our little ship is slipping along brought about 7 miles per hour. I am in hopes soon to raise a school of write whales that we may have some exercise & be filling our ship up. Ends more moderate the watch employed in ships duty the Captain shot a young seal in sight.

Saturday 24th
Day Latitude
by obs 36° 00'
Longitude by
Obs at 1 P. M.
3° 51' 15" W

P. M. Commences with fresh breezes from the N. E. & pleasant weather at 6 spoke the ship Therese had just taken a large sperm whale along side saw another ship to the leeward at 6 P. M. Saw several finbacks & three sail in sight. Ends with light breezes & pleasant weather all hands well on board the watch employed in ships duty three sail in sight & a good many of birds.