

Jan 18th 1854

During the last 24 hours slight changes. To day spoke bark Heathland and she seems to have been taking oil since we last saw her. Has now altogether about 1000 bbls. and Boiling. Lat 36°10' Lon 10°15'

Jan. 19.

Saw whales. But could not reach them. Lat 36°16' Lon. 9°30'

Jan 20.

No change. Lowered again without success. Lat 36°24' Lon. 10°35'

Jan. 23.

Since the 20 have had some disagreeable weather. But now fine again. This morning saw Tristan bearing N. S. W. 20 miles. Afternoon went in with the boat landing Capt. on shore to make arrangements about getting potatoes. While he was there pulled off and caught some fish. Just before night we took part of our potatoes but could not get all as there are several other vessels lying here who had engaged them first. Among them the ship Emma C Jones. Capt. Henry of New Bedford and. Bark Joseph Butler Capt. May had from the same port. Stood off after all hands got on board and will go in

soon for an additional supply of potatoes.

Jan 24.

Strong breezes Cloudy and some rain island bearing S. S. E. 10 or 15 miles to abt.

Jan. 25.

Moderate Run for the island this morning and during the day have been lying off and on getting our potatoes also some fresh beef. Left the island about 7 P.M. and are now steering N. E.

Jan. 26.

A fine S. W. breeze and course N. E. and pleasant weather. About noon spoke the French ship Napoleon of Havre. She is bound round the East Cape and with all her studding sails out makes a splendid appearance. The right whale season being about over we are now bound to the Eastward in hopes of falling in with Sp. May success attend us in a more signal manner than it has heretofore. Lat 36°00' Lon. 10°51'

Jan 27.

Strong sea High winds and a cloudy uncomfortable day withal under short sail. To night wind inclined to abate but sea very rugged. Lat. 35°44' Lon. 9°40'