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It was on the 7th day of Sept 1846 I went on Board the Bark gasper bound on a whaling voyage to the Atlantic & Indian Ocean and I felt for 2 years to cure for the whale & sperm whale having been to sea a good deal I can hardly express my feelings as I parted with my wife and an only child a boy but 2 months old it is useless to try to express my feelings but

I went on board the ship and with a tear parted from them and all to me that Dear Our Capt was a smart looking man apparently about 30 years of age he had been married but of a sport time & I could see him trying to suppress his feelings as he walked up and down the Quarter Deck, our Mate belonged to Nantucket, he was a fine specimen of Yankee Sailer kind and obliging yet stern and a little opinion I shall speak further, our Mate was a fine man by looking fellow a thorough sailor and a fine ship mate of my self I shall say nothing Tuesday 8th Discharged our Pilot with every appearance of bad weather in this we were not mistaken for we had a continued Gale of wind until the 19th when the weather became fine and continued so for 2 days but on 21st we experienced one of the heaviest gales of wind I ever experienced we lost our Larboard Mast and Stove Bulkhead Bulkworks and rail and considerable other Damage. heads sprung Fore Top Mast

Sperm Oil got to Bark Luning  
 sold at Wahoo 6300 gallons or 200 lbs

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| 1  | fair | 7.13  |
| 1  | do   | 12.50 |
| 1  | do   | 5.76  |
| 1  | do   | 16.33 |
| 1  | do   | 18.50 |
| 50 |      | 12362 |
|    |      | 247   |
|    |      | 47    |
|    |      | 296   |
|    |      | 206   |
|    |      | 362   |
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