

January 23rd 1858
 Laying to under close reef main top sail
 main spinnaker and top mast stay sail the ding
 K. of W. the wind is a blowing from the
 W. a gizzard arose this morning in the fore castle
 between two of the fore mast hands and ended
 in a knock down fishing astern for gormies
 one of them took two hooks from us we lost
 in the 3rd got fast we thought we had him
 sure enough hauled him up to the topmast
 the line parted and of went mister gormie
 a charming the hook with as much relish as he
 would a piece of pork. sun obscure.

23rd Laying to in a gale of wind heading N. W.
 saw fin backs cold and rainy got a porpoise
 this morning. sun obscure no latitude

24th Sunday Still blowing a heavy gale from the westward
 H. K. of W. got two porpoises this morning broke
 an iron band about 50 miles on our the cold
 and rainy Lat 53.4 "S"

25th Fine weather light breeze stirring in the wind
 heading N. E. W. the wind hauled about 5
 o'clock and we went out studding sails the old
 man shot 2 gormies. one man sick of whaling
 swears he had rather go a boating on the cannals
 saw a ship on our the quarter missing porpoise
 blubber Lat. 51.25 "S"

26th Pleasant weather part of the day in the afternoon
 it clouded up and the wind sprung up and had
 to take in the light sails a sail in sight on
 our the low head wind stirring W. making
 scrub brooms the weather is a growing warmer
 the coopers hat overboard this afternoon the last
 one he had this is the 5th one he has lost
 I made a trade with him traded a cap for a
 shirt saw porpoises and fin backs
 Lat 50.20 "S"

January 27th 1858
 Laying to under close reef main top sail head wind heading W. S. W.
 the wind died away about 4 o'clock and came up
 foggy caught a gormie this afternoon about 7 o'clock we
 released him and let him go. Lat. 50.10 "S"

28th Fine weather running before the wind strong
 breeze heading N. E. W. part of the day we
 altered our course and steered S. E. by S.
 making scrub brooms got a porpoise the afternoon
 broke out for water. beef and pork. saw fin backs
 saw a bark this morning on our lee bow
 Lat 49.2 "S"

29th Pleasant weather strong breeze steering N. E. by N.
 making scrub brooms tried out 5 gallons of
 porpoise oil. got 2 porpoises broke out for
 cod fish. sun obscure no latitude

30th Blowing a heavy gale from the N. a regular old
 star the Laying to heading W. caught a gormie
 this afternoon and killed him the mate took
 the bones and I took the till the cooper took
 feathers but got mad a threw it overboard
 sun obscure

31st Still blowing a gale from the N. Laying to
 heading W. the 2nd mate got a good ducking this
 morning he went out on the martingale to
 shoot a porpoise there was a heavy sea on
 and he pitched him under quarter masts
 Lat 48.7 "S" dead reckoning.

February 1st 1858
 Fine weather it cleared up this morning at W.
 is our course the gale came on again this afternoon
 we had close reef the main top sail at 6 o'clock
 and lay to. made 10 scrub brooms both the
 forenoon made a line for gormies. saw fin backs.
 Lat. 46.43