

February

6th Pleasant weather these last twentyfour hours. light wind from the Eastward. steering on the wind heading N. E. by E. served the jib and fore topmast staysail Sheet-panants. Saw a Brig. she was steering away to the Southward and Westward. raised another sail. the Old Man kept off and run down to her. the Mate and his crew went aboard of her. got some newspapers. she proved to be the Cordelia of Philadelphia. bound to Montevideo. 45 days from Philadelphia. lost their second mate three days out. Saw five backs and Grampoisers to day. Lat. 31. 45. S. Long. The Cook and one of the foremast hands had a set to to night in the fore-castle. the Capt punished them by sending them to Mast head three hours apiece.

7th Weather fair and pleasant. light breeze from the N. E. steering on the wind heading E. by S. there was a total Eclipse on the Moon last night at 11 o'clock. Saw a ship last night at 10 o'clock. employed to day working in the rigging. unbent the fore top-gallant sail. fore top sail. and main top sail. and sent up old fore and main top sails and new fore top gallant sails. Saw five backs and killers to day. also a ship on our weather beam. George and myself is off duty yet. ripped up an old jib to day. Broke out beef. Lat. 30. 35. South. Long. 45. 00. West.

8th Weather fair and pleasant. light breeze from the Northward steering on the wind heading N. E. Gaming most of the day with the Bark Keoka of westport. Capt. Twenty nine minutes out. 1050 barrels of oil. 650 humpback 400 sperson our Captain let them have two pipes of bread. Saw another ship to leeward. also saw whales at sun down could not make them out. to night we are steering Nth. wind E. N. E. Lat. 30. 11

9th Fine weather light breeze from the N. N. W. steering on the wind on the starboard tack until 6 o'clock raised a large school of Sperm.

February. 10th whales. to the leeward 7 o'clock lowered 3 boats the Main boat got first then the Bow Boat got first and then the Starboard Boat got first killed all 3 whales got them along side and cut them in as we was a cutting in the last Head and got 51 got home up to the gangway. John Hoxie was a putting a strap through the Head when it swung 83 and jammed him against the main bits which broke his leg about 4 inches above the knee the Old 13 splintered it as well as he could and put him in the after cabin George and myself are of duty yet weather to night hazy strong breeze from the N. E. steering on the wind under double reefed top sails.

10th Hazy weather. strong wind from the N. N. W. steering E. N. E. Employed this forenoon in clearing away the sperm whales heads. while working at the heads the Capt got his hand cut with a spade. the Mate had his foot hurt with a crow bar. and the Cooper cut his hand with a knife. we got the heads all cleared away by noon. commenced to tug out this afternoon. Broke out beef and pork.

11th Raining part of the day with the wind from the S. E. steering E. N. E. under double reef top sails trying out oil part of the day had to coil down towards night in account of bad weather Hoxie. George. Muggs. and myself are below of duty Lat. 30. 20. S. Long. 41. 35. E.

12th Pleasant weather strong breeze from the S. E. steering N. E. under double reefed top sails started the fire under the try pots this morning at 6 o'clock and finished trying out at 7 o'clock. P. M. the 3 whales made us about 50 blb. John Hoxie George Muggs. myself and Jasper Antoine. are below of duty killed a pig to day. Lat. 30. 5. S