

Bark Mabel Toward New Holland

1878 Sunday Jan 20th These twenty four hours fine weather and moderate breeze from the North veering to the N.W. Steering to the E.S.E. saw several fin backs. Lat 39° 59' Long 58° 11' E

Monday Jan 21st This day good weather strong westerly winds the Bark steering S.E. by E. at daylight saw Whales going nowhere with Blackfish among them lowered for them and struck about 6.55 AM. Saved to Starboard Boat. got time to the ship about 10 AM. got Breakfast and commenced cutting raised the pier and got the jaw in. Cut the broad part way off and made all fast for the night. Lat 39° 40' Long 60° 00' E

Tuesday Jan 22^d This day fine weather and moderate breeze from the westward. a heavy swell from S.W. all hands employed trying to cut in broke one back straightened out another parted head chain strap and one or two other accidents. finally got the head off and after working all night got the body on deck. Lat 39° 34' Long 59° 55' E

Wednesday rough weather heavy swell from W. finished cutting at last. nearly lost the junk by the strap tearing out latter part bailing Case. No obs.

Thursday Jan 24. All this day rough weather with plenty of rain at daylight commenced bailing head all hands employed cutting up junk and breaking out water Beef bread and flour No obs.

Friday Jan 25 Comes in with good weather and moderate breeze from the Westward the watch employed bailing. Middle and latter part continues fine saw fin backs. Lat 38° 54' Long 60° 21' E



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1878 Saturday Jan 26 This day splendid weather and moderate breeze from N.W. steering by the wind on the port tack Employed bailing finished about 3 PM. latter part clearing up decks and washing ship. Lat 39° 14' Long 60° 35' E.

Sunday Jan 27 This day fine weather and light winds from the Westward the Bark steering to the E.S.E. middle and latter part about the same. Lat 38° 03' Long 62° 56' E

Monday Jan 28th Comes in with good weather and moderate breeze from from N.W. steering S.E. by E. Employed storing down oil in the main Hatchway finished about dark Lat 37° 58'

Tuesday Jan 29th Commences with good weather and moderate breeze from the North steering S.E. by E. saw several fin backs. one small Blackfish employed clearing away the jaw washing ship. Lat 38° 42' Long 66° 22' E

Wednesday Jan 30 This day fine weather and moderate breeze from North steering E.S.E. middle and latter part much the same saw nothing ends with thick fog. Employed breaking out for shocks and setting up Casks. Lat 38° 10' E Long 69° 52' E

Thursday Jan 31 These twenty four hours fresh Northerly winds and foggy weather. Comes E.S.E. Ends with rainy weather saw nothing. Lat 38° 10' Long 73° 52' E

Friday Feb 1st Comes in with moderate breeze from the Westward steering E.S.E. saw nothing Employed getting out shocks. on sail in sight

Saturday Feb 2 This day good weather and light S.E. winds veering to N.E. Middle and latter part the same at daylight saw the Island of Amsterdam bearing E.S.E. 35 miles Dist.