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Friday Mar 14 At Day light Call'd all hands and Com'd Cutting At 8 the Flukes Chain Parted and One of the Whale went he drift lowered 3 boats and went After him Call'd the 2 boats on board let the Mate Boat Stop by him the wind began to blow in Earnest On Mending hard made bad weather a Cutting At 11 wind increasing almost to a gale and a Tremendous Sea, making Considerable lee way The man at the mast head lost sight of the at 10 A.M. wind now increased to a gale by this time we had the whale cut in found it Impossible to Carry much Sail We beat to Windward nearly had we any bearing of the Boat. but something must be done so we put her under Double reefed Top Sails Stood on 4 Hours west round and Stood 4 hours on the other Tack the Ship burying herself Completely under water now it was 3 P.M. no boat in sight all Hands aloft on the look out Seemed almost Impossible for any boat to live. lost most of our Hopes of ever finding them. Island of Massafuera in sight at 4 P.M. bore S.S.E. 30 M. At 5 P.M. Capt. Came down from aloft and said That Sick was all a Chance if we ever we saw them again you Could scarcely hear a person Talk the wind made such a whistling through Rigging At 6 before 6 we were round for the — of Platter then Concluded to take in all sail for the Ship Could not stand it any longer. before we had the main yard braced up out Starboard the boat making towards us all hands gave three Cheers for the safety took boat up and took in all sail save her but the main and mizen Stay sail — lost the whale —

Long 80.15 W Lat 33. S.

Saturday Mar 15 Com'd Blowing a Gale Cont'd down works 12 Noon began to boil again. Sun Set Squally Stoped boiling took in fore & mizen topsails Sunday 16 at 9 A.M. finished boiling made 40 Bbls latter part blowing heavy Gr. N.E. & E Saw the Island. Monday 17 heavy gales 3 & A. took in all sail except Close reef main topsail Thursday 18 employed in Stowing down Oil & Course N.

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Wednesday March 18 Light Breezes Com'd Stowing down 7 A.M. Saw 19 Sperm whales of the bow 13 lowered 3 Boats which went down came on board saw more to leward — Lowered again bow boat got fast 13 had him a Long side began to Cut at 1 P.M. finished Cutting Spade Ships Chilli of N. Bedford 5 Bro. 200 Bbls.

Lat. 32.16. L. Long

Thursday Mar 20 Mod. Winds Course E N E employed in Boiling. Saw a Sail off the bow 1 P.M. Saw 2 Sail off the beam. Standing to W.

Friday 21 Com'd Cloudy Standing by the wind N.E. all Hands employed in boiling 7 A.M. we Finished Made 40 Bbls 4 P.M. Saw 7 Whales a breaching off the bows Squared In Sail Studding sails Stood towards them 4½ lowered Saw a Ship off Sail 9½ Hauling off Mate got close on the 2 whales Pulled the boat round down last the wind Came on board Shortened Sail Supposed the Sail in sight to be the Chilli. Saturday 22d 22d Finished Stowing fore hold. At Sunset a Sail off the bow. Co. N.N.E. So Ends this 48 hrs

Lat. 30 22 L. Long 79.

Sunday Mar 23 Winds Light. Co. N b E Studding sails out part winds hauling braced yards Lat. 28.22 S.
Mon. 24 winds light to S.b.W. employed in Stowing b.E.
25 Lat 26.44 S. Tuesday March 25 finished Stowing off lower hold Course N. all Sail out 5 P.M. Stowed between decks. Lat. 24.00. 79.40 W. Thursday
27 27 Winds light Co. N. employed Setting up Casks for water. Blacksmith employed. 21.55. 74.55
28 Friday 28 Winds Brisk Co. N.E. employed in Rattling down 6 P.M. Studding sails on Lappit to wind

Lat. 18.16 L. Long 73.41 W.