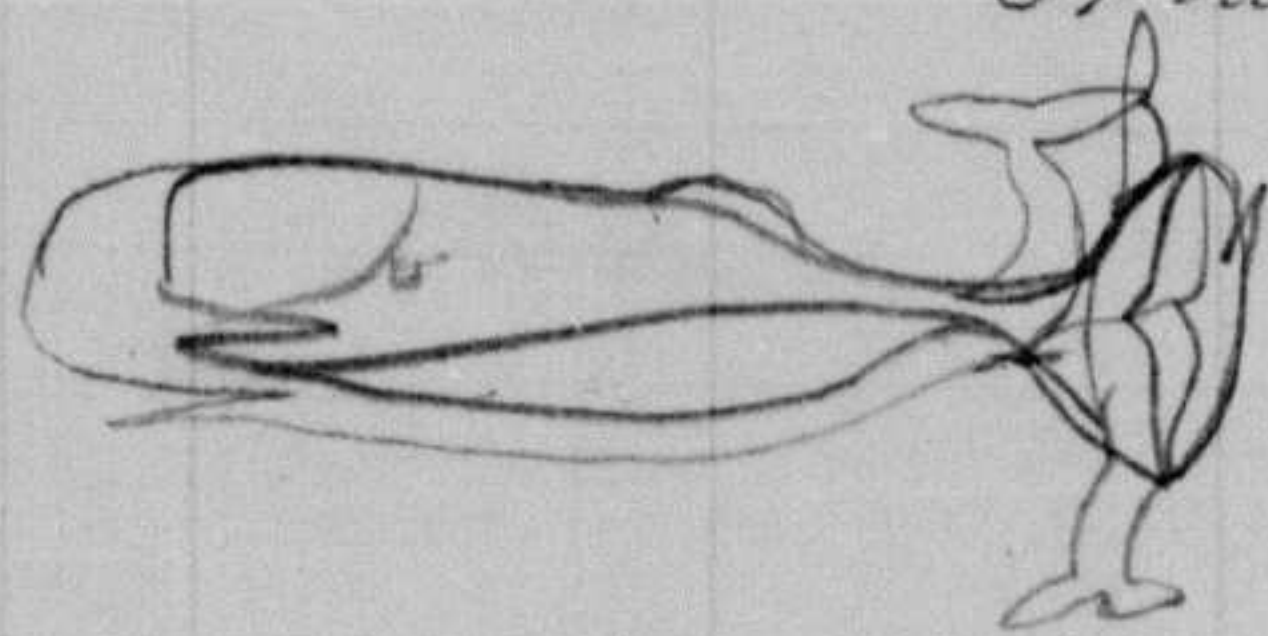


At Chatham islands  
Monday December 21<sup>st</sup>

ready for sea wind bound  
at 4 am moderated like breeze  
from S.W. Middle part  
like wind from N.W. at 4 P.M.  
got under way at port put  
at 7 P.M. anchors and chain  
steved at 10 mist land  
about 20 miles bearing E.N.E.  
at 11 thick wind increases  
steering S.S.E.

Monday December 21<sup>st</sup>

First of this 21 hours fine  
breeze from N.W. steering S.E.  
with all sail employed fitting  
the boats middle part short  
sail steering E wind W later  
whales got. part fine weather at 10 saw  
one sperm whales leaved and  
struck 1 and got him



Lat 44.30. S  
Long 176.00. W

Tuesday December 22<sup>nd</sup>

First of this day fine weather  
at 2 am got whale along side  
at 4 commenced cutting at 11 got  
head off fog and rain stopped  
cutting began again at 4  
at 11 finished cutting

Bark Midge J.R. Salman master  
Wednesday December 23<sup>rd</sup>

First of this 24 hours strong  
breeze blowing ease and cutting  
junk bad weather squally  
middle part better weather  
at 4 P.M. commenced boiling  
blowing strong from W.S.W.  
close reefed main topsail  
and foresail heading E.N.E.  
So ends this day

Lat 45.00 S

Thursday December 24<sup>th</sup>

First of this day blowing strong  
from N.W. ship heading N.E.  
with 2 reefed main topsail and  
foresail boiling at 1 P.M.  
blowing heavy from N.W. furled  
foresail and closed boiling  
later part blowing heavy  
from N.W. heading N.E.

Lat 45.00. S  
Long 173.50 W

Friday December 25<sup>th</sup>

First of this day blowing heavy  
from N.N.W. heading N.E.  
at 5 am moderated started  
the works middle part like  
breeze from W.N.W. later part  
wind increasing at 10 P.M.  
blowing strong from S.W.  
steering E.S.W. at 11 huffed too  
heading W.N.W.

Lat 44.35 S  
Long 173.00 W