

July

Lat 2nd

We dropped anchor again about ten miles
this morn. about ten miles north of
where we last anchored, after dinner the
Lathams and Vaiset boats started for the shore
but could not land on account of the
breakers. Mr Holmes carried cloth, knives, &c to
be made for Sweet Potatoes, about five
miles from the shore and found the
Bear Boat but they did not get near enough
to strike. I have felt sick all day, have
lain down most of the day.

Jan 3rd

This morn the officers and crew took breakfast
at half past three and immediately after
all four boats started from the ship. We go
to the south, as at daylight to be within
sight south and hope to meet whales. Capt
has gone with one man short, but those he
has are good ones, he takes one of the crew
for boatmen, and has the cork for one of
the crew so there is only the Steamer, Cooper
and a sick boatman left aboard. I do
not approve of whaling Sunday, but that
makes no difference, they go just the same.
I hope they may be successful. This afternoon
the church at home gathered around the Family
Table, would that I could join them, and
I must dash here to listen to our beloved
Pastor as he preaches to the dear brethren and
sisters, and points sinners to the cross.
I have not been able to go to church since I left home.
My heart of Shattered has ever been near
me, and I have not until the present time
I still be with us and the dear ones at
home, watch over and keep us all, and
permit us to meet again on Earth, but if
we part not on Earth they will be an unbroken
band in Heaven. Go back. The boat returned without
anything had seen two whales but there was no time
so they could not strike them. I have written two
letters, one to Sophie the other to Pamela.

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July 4th

This morn the boats all left again about four o'clock, and
returned about dark, having only seen one whale and
that a long distance from them going very fast. The day
has been very quiet, I suppose there has been great ex-
haustion in these places. Much powder wasted, and no
doubt many precious lives lost. I wish we could have
had a whale to make prey with, but could not. I
have cut and partly made a dark calico dress for my
self.

July 5th

This morn. Officers and crew breakfasted at half past three
and soon after all four boats left the ship. I hope they
will be more successful today. This one year today since
my beloved husband returned from a four years voyage.
Oh how glad I am that I can be with him this voyage
instead of being left at home, and hope he will soon go
another voyage without me, one year ago today my darling
was lost. While I was waiting. Has since home, to the day
I left, as I looked on him and thought he could not live,
but God in his mercy, spared his life, and I earnestly
pray that he may be spared to years to husband and to
the joys of doing good in the world. The boats
have returned yet there about seven, have seen
ten whales but could not get near enough to
strike as there was no wind and the whales
would hear the paddles and go down, coming no
closer tonight Mr Thayer ran into the Capt
Boat, and had not the Capt held water, there
would have been damage done. No I did not become weary.

July 6th

This morn took up anchor and started with a
fair breeze. It would be impossible to cut a
whale here if we had got one, where we are now
anchored there is less small ones. Mr Holmes went
ashore this afternoon to see if we could get potatoes
here, found we could not. Capt is going ashore
in the morn. I have felt sick all day, yet have
tried to keep up, and have almost done so.
My dress is done all but the buttons
and button holes.