

Journal of a whaling voyage in the good

47. *Thursday Dec 10th 1851.*
Commences with fine weather steering S.W.
Employed in boiling. Middlepart moderate
at daylight finished boiling. Scatterpart pleasant
the watch employed in various jobs. So ends
this day. *Home friends.*
Lat 24.30 S. Dist 96 miles. Long 39.40 W.

48. *Wednesday Dec 17th*
Commences with fine weather the watch
employed in ship's duty. Middlepart pleasant
Scatterpart the same. Two sails in sight.
So ends. *Home friends.*
Lat 26.13 S. Dist 112 miles. Long 40.25 W.

49. *Thursday Dec 18th*
Commences with fresh breezes from east steering
S.W. Employed in various jobs several sails
in sight and all dropping astern. Middlepart
fresh breezes. Scatterpart the same, one Brig
in sight. So ends. *Home friends.*
Lat 27.20 S. Dist 196 miles. Long 41.20 W.

50. *Friday Dec 19th*
Commences with fresh breezes from east, nothing in
sight. Middlepart fresh breezes and thick weather
Scatterpart the same. Employed in steering down
at alt. meridian finished. So ends. *Home friends.*
Lat 32.11 S. Dist 211 miles. Long 44.11 W.

51. *Saturday Dec 30th*
Commences with fresh breezes from S.W. steering
S.W. Employed in ship's duty. Sent up the
main reefal yard. Middlepart thick and rainy
Scatterpart fresh breezes S.W. by E. nothing in sight.
So ends. *Home friends.*
Lat 34.12 S. Dist 159 miles. Long 45.24 W.

(Bark Atlantic. Commanded by Richard L. Sme.

52. *Sunday Dec 21st 1851.*
Commences with fresh breezes from S.W. steering
S.W. by E. Employed in ship's duty. Middlepart
wind shifted to the South with fresh breezes
double reefed the fore topsail. Scatterpart strong
breezes from S.W. heading S.W. by E. So ends. *Home friends.*
Lat 35.10 S. Dist 102 miles. Long 45.31 W.

53. *Monday Dec 22^d*
Commences with strong breezes from S.W. heading
S.W. Saw a Brig steering N.E. Middlepart
moderate at daylight made sail. Scatterpart fresh
breezes steering S.W. by E. So ends. *Home friends.*
Lat 36.35 S. Dist 68 miles. Long 47.57 W.

54. *Tuesday Dec 23^d*
Commences with fresh breezes from east steering
S.W. by E. at dark took in hail and luffed
to the wind heading S.W. by E. Middlepart strong
winds. Scatterpart fresh gales and rainy weather. So
ends. *Home friends.*
Lat 37.28 S. Dist 81 miles. Long 49.11 W.

55. *Wednesday Dec 24th*
Commences with moderate and foggy weather
heading West at 6 p.m. furled the fore sail and
main topsail and turned up the fore and main
boats blowing heavy from the South. Middlepart
fresh gales. Scatterpart strong winds. Set double
reefed topsails and wore ship to the North at 10
am spoke ship General Scott. Fisher of Fair Haven 85 days
out 110 tons of Sp. Oil. Three days previous struck a
large whale stove the boat. Drowned one man
and hurt two others badly. So ends. *Home friends.*
Lat 37.44 S. Dist 50 miles. Long 49.25 W.