

Nov 28th, Good breeze East; took in the light
sails; moving pretty fresh all day.
Nov 29th, Set up the fore and mizen rigging
to day, back stays, head stays and so on, made all
sail this morning.
Sun Nov 30th, A little breeze; passed the day as
usual.
December 1st, Engaged in working on the rigging;
the old man is mending an old job; a dead calm
all day, carpenter engaged in putting cleats on the
windlass, heavy rain shower all the afternoon;
Lat 44° 40' N.
Dec 2nd, A fresh breeze all day, raised a sail this
afternoon on the weather beam, Course South.
Dec 3rd, Fine breeze, at work at our old trade,
drawing and knitting yarns and making spin-
yarn; a sail to windward, Lat 40° 20' N Course S.
Dec 4th, Not much doing, a good breeze all day;
The old man opened the ship this afternoon for the
benefit of some of our new comers.
Dec 5th, Squally and rainy all day; took in the light
sails shortly after dinner, land called all hands to
reef topsails.
Dec 6th, A good breeze all day; lowered for black fish
about 12 o'clock but struck home, as they were very shy,
reefed top sails about 3 o'clock P.M., but struck the reefs
out before night; reefed the fore top sail again in the
night and blew down the main; plenty of rain.
Sun Dec 7th, Rain and squally; set whole topsails
this morning, and main top gallant sail, plenty of
porpoises around the ship to day.
Dec 8th, A good breeze all day; raised a sail on the
weather bow about 7 o'clock running down to us;
spoke us about 8 o'clock and the old man went on
board of her; it was the "Brighton" of N.B., Capt Coy
18 mod out 1700 bls; her mate came on board of
us, and stayed all day; our old man came aboard
about 7 o'clock P.M.; took in the light sails at night.
Dec 9th, A good breeze all day, set all sail this
morning; the in sight to windward all day; ran down
near R's towards night; drawing yarns and making
spin yarn.

Dec 10th, Noe ship this morning, and stood to the Northward
as we are on cruising ground; the B in sight all day,
spoke her again at night and Capt Coy came on
board of us and Mr Watson went on board of her,
and staid about an hour; Lat 40° 56' South Course
Dec 11th, Fitting on new main top gallant head
stay to come down in the fore top; mending a fore top
sail to send up; the old man coopersing R's, the
Brighton off to leeward; the old man went on board of
the Brighton at night and her mate came here, lay
aback all night expecting to make land.
Dec 12th, A good breeze all day; Capt Coy came
aboard as usual to night.
Dec 13th, A ship passed us this morning bringing
"trouble in the rigging" third mate off duty and mended
into the forecabin, the Brighton to leeward, raised a school
of sperm whales about 10 o'clock, set our signal for the
Brighton and lowered; Mr Williams struck a small
one and turned him up, which galled the rest and
we could not get on to them, got him along side and
cut in, in less than two hours, started the works about
sundown.
Sun Dec 14th, Finished bailing about day, hoist this
morning, the only made about 12 bls, but "every little helps"
in good breeze and under easy sail, the Brighton on our lee
bow, the other ship on our weather beam; ran down to the B
about sundown, and Capt Coy came on board of us,
staid two or three hours; the old man gave him some punkens.
Dec 15th, A good breeze; set the main top gallant sail
this morning; sent down the fore top sail and sent up
another, the 11th Mate heads the Mate's watch.
Capt Coy of the B came aboard again to night, and
Mr Watson went on board of her.
Dec 16th, Mending the old fore top sail; good breeze
all day; the Brighton on the weather beam, raised
two sail on the weather bow just at night.
Dec 17th, Nothing in sight this morning; mending
sail; the old man is making a scuttle butt,
lowered for black fish about 6 o'clock P.M., but very
shy.
Dec 18th, Heavy rain all the forenoon and squally,
not much wind this afternoon; took in the light sails and
main sail at sundown.