

Dec 1877

Tues the 28th a good breeze from the S.W. and some foggy steering & with fore top mast stee sail out saw some fin backs and some Porpoises Lat 56° 29' South,

Thurs the 29th a fine gentle breeze from the west steering & saw some porpoises fin backs hump backs grampases &c so ends the day

Thurs the 30th a good breeze from the N.W. some foggy steering N.E. by E. at 4 P.M. saw the land but it is as there is more rocks than land about it they call it the Diegoes saw a plenty of fin backs

Frid the 31st the first part light breeze steering by the wind middle and last part strong breeze & sail in sight this day the last of 1877 we passed the beautiful place called Cape Horn and it is as cold as the river and ice water,

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Sat the 1st of January 1878 the first part a light breeze & sail in sight speak the ship "Hon Nicol of London" Capt Hon A Bushnell 80 days from home with 200 bbls of middle and last part calm foggy most part of the day saw Porpoises so goes

Sunday the 2nd the first part gave breeze from the S.W. steering N. saw the land 1 sail in sight middle and last part the same under 1 single reef top sails

Mon the 3rd a good breeze steering N.E. by E. & 2 sail in sight set the main top gallant sail last part a strong breeze with a heavy sea took in main sail

Tues the 4th a light breeze and fine weather 1 sail in sight speak the ship "Mentor" Capt Norton of New Bedford 28 months out 2900 bbls bound home

Thurs the 5th a calm the first part saw some fin backs last part a light breeze gained with the ship "Mentor" so goes the time for want of better employment am

Thurs the 6th a light breeze 1 sail in sight at 11 A.M. saw a right whale and towed but without success at 4 P.M. lowered for an other but could not catch the land in sight so goes and back

at 9:11 A.M.
John Lord &
fell from the
overboard but
was saved by
the crew