

Ship Ensign James A Norton Master
Remarks on board Friday December 18th 1852

First part fine pleasant weather light variable winds and heading to the Southward middle part weather much the same latter part fresh breeze from the NW and 4 ships in sight spoke the Bark Cleone of New Bedford on whales in sight so ends these 24 hours cruising
Lat 46.12 S
Long 152.22 W

Remarks on board Saturday December 19th

First part strong breeze from NW by N Breeze weather is ships in sight at 8 AM saw a rite whale bore and chased middle and latter part fresh gale from the NW and heavy sea running ship on the Starboard tack 2 ships in sight so ends these 24 hours
on CBS

Remarks on board Sunday December 20th

First part fresh gale from the NW and overcast weather nothing in sight at 8 PM more moderate middle part wind from the SE latter part the same and blowing a moderate gale and heavy sea running ship running to the Eastward so ends these 24 hours on CBS
Lat 45.25 S
Long 153.25 W

Remarks on board Monday December 21st

First part fresh gale from the SE and heavy sea running at 3 PM saw many finbacks and 4 rite whales bore and chased with out success at 4 PM took up the boats and took in the fore and main topsails middle and latter part strong weather much the same so ends these 24 hours cruising
Lat 45.00 S
Long 153.00 W

Cruising on New Zealand
Remarks on board Tuesday December 22nd 1852

This day commenced with fresh gale from the Southward and a heavy sea running ship under double reef main topsail and foresail at 5 PM more moderate saw a rite whale bore and chased but with out success middle and latter part fine pleasant weather and light variable winds at 8 AM bore 4 boats for a rite whale the Starboard boat struck and took the whale to the ship 11 AM commenced cutting so ends these 24 hours
Lat 44.55 S
Long 153.20 W

Remarks on board Wednesday December 23rd

This day commenced with fine pleasant weather and light variable winds at 9 AM finished cutting the whale and saw another one going quick to the Westward at 11 PM commenced boiling middle part wind and weather much the same employed boiling latter part fresh breeze from the Northward clear weather once whale in sight to the westward, employed boiling so ends these 24 hours
Lat 44.55 S

Remarks on board Thursday December 24th

This day commenced with fine weather and strong breeze from NW by N employed boiling several whales in sight bore and chased with out success middle part overcast and heavy sea running latter part fine weather at 10 AM the wind hauled suddenly to the SE at 12 finished boiling and killed a pig so ends these 24 hours cruising

Lat 44.41 S
Long 154.58 W