

April 1822

On the 23rd spoke the Ship Thomas Newland
of London merchantmen bound to Valpa-
raiso - squared away in company with the Ben
at sunset made the land run for it till 12
o'clock & here too - the next day we run in to
the harbor of Valparaiso - found lying in the
harbor the U.S. Ship Franklin - 74 guns
Ship. Constitution 36 & Behmen. Dolphin
of 14 guns - an English frigate & schooner
- several merchantmen & two ~~men~~ whale
men - one the ship of Nantucket Capt
Coffin - 33 months out 500 blbls the other
the Parvane of New Bedford Capt Lovel 17
months out 700 blbls - On the 25th arrived the
Ship. Herpes & Reuben of Nantucket - the
former Capt Jay 23 months out 900 blbls
the latter 29 months 1200 blbls - On the
30th arrived the two merchant from New
York - On the 2nd of May arrived the Ship
Independance of Nantucket Capt Swain
1100 blbls - On the 1st arrived the Ship
Mercator of New Bedford 5 months out

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25 blbls of oil had lost one for must have
killed by a whale - we rebound on Ship
took in a quantity of potatoes &
other vegetables & on the 6th weighed anchor
on in company with the Independance
& went to sea - passed the Ship. up also lying
of & on at the mouth of the harbor - at
6 o'clock & 45 minutes we felt the shock of an
earthquake it resembled the rolling of
heavy carts over decks & lasted about 2 min-
utes - judged the land was 6 leagues distant - the next
day spoke the Ship. Aurora & Vulcan of
Nantucket the former 29 months out 1500
blbls the latter 19 months out 1500 also -
The 6th commenced capturing the Aurora Independ-
ance & Vulcan in sight - at 2 P.M. a light shre-
se showing up at half past 2 we discovered the
Soleons boats fast to a whale we lowered the
boats & pulled about 7 miles to leeward & found
they were fast to a large whale & tried get
him to spouting blood there being no more
in sight we returned to the Ship