

She thought, like all the rest, to run away from us, but at 12 o'clock we had overhauled her. She was the *Miantonomi*, of New Bedford, 6 mos. from home, clean. 19th She has lost three men overboard since she left home. Got some papers from her, also three or four buckets of potatoes. Quetiss and Goat islands were in sight the greater part of the day.

17th Fine weather. See most every thing but sperm whales. Made Sunday island at sunset - lat. 29.12⁰, long. 178.136.

18th Lowered for whales about 6 P.M. All large whales. The starboard boat got close to a large whale, when the boatsteerer darted two irons at him and missed him. Followed the school for an hour as hard as we could spring, and got between two 80 lb whales. Just as the boatsteerer stood up, the nearest began to settle, when he darted one iron at him and he missed him, and off they went

We could then just see the ship's light, and we pulled back, and arrived at 1/2 past 8. Light wind. Made sail, and kept a sharp lookout for the whales. At 9 A.M. we raised them 4 fts off our weather bow. At 1/2 past 10 all the boats went down and pulled to windward, when we set our sails, and the mate went on and struck a large bull. We had him alongside at 2 P.M., and commenced to cut him in.

20th Got the whale cut in, and started the try works.

21st Weather rainy and lowering. Trying out. About sunset the fog cleared away for a few minutes, when, to our surprise, we saw Sunday island right ahead, when, according to the "old man's" calculations, it should have been on our weather beam. Wore ship and stood on the other tack.

22d Rainy. Sent down the fore topgallant sail, and rigged it over the bows to keep off the rain. About 1 P.M. we