

the ship alongside. All of us were just getting supper. We dropped pots and pans and made a rush to save her, and after fishing and hauling about 15 minutes we got her up. She had a hole stove in her bottom and one of her gunnels broke.

21st Fine weather, fair wind. Course N.E. by E. Lat. 31.15 S. Long. 177.16 E. At 4 o'clock we took the starboard boat off the cranes and landed her in the waist prior to repairing her.

22d A dead calm. The carpenter and the old man went to work mending the stove boat, while the rest of us were scraping up the remains of a barrel of slush between decks that got stove in the late gale.

23d Fair weather, light wind. Lat. 30.36 S, long. 179.03 W. Repainted the starboard boat.

24th Light wind, fine weather. Passed Goat Island and Curtis' rocks at 7 o'clock this morning. Course E. N. E. Bound for the line. At 2 P.M. we spoke the Minutonomi. She had taken 70 bl. since we last saw her. About the same time we spoke the ship Hope, of New Bedford, 28 mos. out with 1100 sperm. The three captains came aboard of us. We had

been itching for a chance to sustain our reputation, and now we had an opportunity.

We did not give the Hope a thought. Our antagonist was the Minutonomi. We had the captains of both ships aboard of us.

We then braced forward and boarded our main tack. The M. was about a mile ahead, but in four hours we were 7 miles ahead, a couple of points in her weather bow, and we backed our main topsail to let her come up. Capt. Clements candidly acknowledged our superiority in sailing.

25th Fine weather, fresh breeze. We broke out a half ton of potatoes, some onions, and a cask of bread and sent them aboard of the Hope, just before sunset we raised whales on our lee beam. On this occasion we were mated with the Hope. Mating is as follows:- When two ships are in company, and whales are raised by either, the captains sometimes agree to throw their chances together, so that the boats of each may act in concert, and then divide the amount of oil taken. The bargain holds good till the oil is tryed out. Our 3d mate headed the starboard