

alongside. The "old man" went aboard and pronounced it the largest sperm whale he had ever seen.

4th This is the finest day I have seen off New Zealand. Saw the Canton cutting in her whale. Goat island on our lee beam.

5th Sunday. Fine weather. At 8 o'clock we raised a sail ahead about 25 miles distant, standing on the same tack. At 4 P.M. we were about 6 miles apart. She then tacked ship and spoke us. It was the ship Narragansett, of Nantucket, Coleman, 32 mos. out, with 1700 lbs. sperm oil.

6th Stiff breeze. We took our last look at Goat and Sunday islands, as we passed them, bound for the line. Course E.

7th Fair weather. Set half watches, and made all sail. Course E. Mended the flying jib. Lat. 30.09 S, long. 177.23 W.

8th Fair weather. Lat. 30.53 S, long. 174.13 W Course E.

9th Calm. Course E. Lat. 31.35 S, Long. 172.10 W

10th Very light wind. What little wind there is is generally ahead, but by tacking when the wind hauls we generally manage to keep within two or three points of our course, which is East. We had the fore topsail down mending it to-day.

11th Beautiful weather, but scarcely any wind. Lat. 32.07 S, long. 170.48 W.

12th Fine weather, light winds. Lat. 32.28 S, long. 169.41 W.

13th Light winds. Lat. 32.56 S, long. 169.41 W.

14th Light winds. Lat. 32.27 S, long. 168.57 W. A bit of a shindy took place just as the middle watch were called last night. There were four combatants, in the affair, and every appearance of more being engaged, when the 2d mate came to the scuttle and sung out for the watch to get on deck. The affair commenced over a pack of cards.

17th For the last three days there has been no wind of any account. Lat. 32.10 S, long. 168.08 W.

18th Light wind. E by N. Lat. 32.06 S, long. 166.32 W.

19th Strong breeze. Took in topgallant sails fly jib and gaff topsail. By noon we were under reefed topsails. At 5 P.M. while putting a second reef in the topsails our main topsail split, when we furled both topsails and lay to under a foresail and fore topmast staysail. We were in for a regular screamer.

20th Blowing harder with plenty of rain. Laying to under bare poles. Moderated towards even-