

away shortly after, and when he next made his appearance the starboard boat struck him. Shortly after both the other boats struck him. By the time we got him alongside it was blowing a gale, and raining hard. We got a fluke chain and a spare hawser fast to him and then put the ship under a close-reefed main topsail, and set the watches for the night. Lat. 30.31 N. Long. 162 E.

20th Clear. Blowing a gale, with a very heavy sea on. All of us turned to at daylight and got up the cutting falls and commenced to cut in the body, which occupied till afternoon. We made the head fast by a fluke chain to one of the after bits; but the captain, thinking it would carry away the bit, ordered it to be taken forward. Accordingly we bent on a hawser and a smaller line to the end of the chain and all hands rallied on to bouse it to the fore bits. Our work was nearly accomplished when both lines parted and the head sank taking the fluke chain with it. The captain stood aft and saw it sink. His face was as long as his arm. The head would probably have made 30 bls of oil. Rained hard through the night.

21st Light wind, heavy sea. Trying out, and cutting blubber. After breakfast, a young one of the foremast

hands was putting on his jacket to go to the mast-head, the mate said to him, "Hose, if you raise a whale, and we get him, I'll give you a dollar." He went aloft, and as he stepped on the topgallant cross-trees, he sang out, "There she blows." "Where away," cried the captain. "One mile off our lee quarter," was the answer. We knocked off trying out, put the lines in the boats, and lowered away. The larboard boat went alongside of a 50 barrel whale, and struck and killed him. We got him alongside and started the works again. Fog and rain through the day and night.

22d Light wind, heavy sea. Trying out. But in the whale we took yesterday. We saw whales twice during the day, but as we had all we could take care of we did not trouble them. Foggy during the day.

23d Light wind. Made sail. Trying out. The captain offered a bounty of a shirt and pants to the man who raised a whale. About 3 P.M. a boatswain raised a school off our larboard bow. The larboard and waist boats lowered, while the starboard boat's crew stayed on board to keep the works going. The waist boat struck a 70 barrel whale, when our boat lowered and pulled