

at 4 o'clock it was hove, showing $7\frac{1}{2}$ knots.

Jan. 4th. - Cloudy. Strong breeze from the Eastward. Heading N. N. E. Under reefed topsails, courses, jib and spanker. 7 A. M. furled the mainsail. 9 A. M. furled jib, spanker & fore topsail. 3 P. M. wore round on the other tack, and close-reefed the main topsail and furled foresail. Heading S. E. by E. Blowing a gale. About 3 P. M. a school of sperm whales were raised not a half-mile off, but we did not trouble them. In fact, the boats would have swamped alongside.

Jan. 5th. - Blowing heavy all day. Heavy sea running. Lat. ~~30.30~~ long.

Jan. 6th. - Gale unabated. Set main staysail after dinner. 3 P. M. 179.01 W.

Jan. 7th. - Gale unabated, and no signs of its abatement. 3 P. M. set the foresail. Furled it at sunset. Lat. 30.30 S. long. 179.36 W.

Jan. 8th. - Weather moderated. 6 A. M. set foresail. Wore ship at 7 o'clock. heading N. N. E. 5 P. M. furled foresail. Wore ship at sunset. S. E. by E. Blowing very hard. Lat. 30.57 S. long. 179.58 W.

Jan. 9th. - No change in the weather. Very heavy sea running. Wore ship at 6 A. M. Lat. 30.44 S. long. 179.45 W.

Jan. 10th. - Weather moderated towards night. Set the foresail in the middle watch. Lat. 30.56 S. long. 179.21 W.

Jan. 11th. - Cloudy. Strong breeze. Showers. Reefed topsails, fore sail, jib, spanker, & main staysail out. Broke out butter & rice. Wet hold. 6 P. M. raised a sail on the weather quarter. Heading through the day N. E. by E. Lat. 29.50 S. long. 179.21 W.

Jan. 12th. - Clear weather. Strong breeze. N. E. sail on our weather beam. We took some ballast out of the run, and stowed it in the fore peak. The effect was soon perceived. We had been gradually working up to windward but drew the stranger aft scarcely any. Just before dinner we turned to and shifted some ballast from the run to the fore peak, and at 4 P.

M. she was in our wake 10 miles astern. We tacked and run down to her. It was the Jno. St. Robt. of Fairhaven, Capt. Skinner, 15 mos. out, with 130 sperm. They had seen sperm whales nine times this season, five of which it was blowing a gale of wind. At this o'clock, by observation we were in the latitude and longitude of Sunday island. From Capt. Skinner we learned that we were about 50 miles out of our reckoning. Braced forward on the other tack at sunset, heading S. Lat. 29.24 S. long. 178.10 W.

Jan. 13th. - Strong breeze. Fine weather. The Robt just in sight from the mast-head, four points off our lee bow. Tacked - N. E. by E. 9 P. M. raised Sunday island 4 points off weather bow. 1 P. M. wore sail to leeward. 11 A. M. tacked heading S. by W. Raised Goat island 4 points off weather bow. Sunset, tacked - N. E. S.

Jan. 14th. - Fresh breeze, fine weather. Main topgallant sail out. Tacked S. Sunday island off weather quarter. Fore sail in sight to leeward. 9 A. M. furled main topgallant sail & reefed main topsail. Strong breeze. 10 A. M. tacked - N. E. 2 o'clock reefed fore topsail. 5 P. M. tacked - South. Lat.

Jan. 15th. - Fine weather, fresh breeze. Tacked - N. N. E. Broke out after hatch and got out flour, beef, pork, hams, and water. 12 M. Sunday island right ahead, distant 15 miles. 1 P. M. sail two pts forward of lee beam. 2 P. M. hove to under the lee of Sunday island, about 4 miles from the shore. The mate went ashore in the starboard boat to procure a supply of recruits. We pulled in and landed on a smooth sand beach. The island rises abruptly to the height of 2000 feet; it is thickly covered with trees and shrubs; has no harbor, and a landing can only be effected with safety during an east-wind. On landing we saw a flag flying from a staff that pro-