

rigging.

Feb. 6th - Light air, heading E. Saw a carcass.
Caulking. Struck a porpoise that went off
with an iron in him and about two fathoms
of the jib halyards. The old man looked wild.
Sunset, saw Sunday island off weather bow.

Feb. 7th - Fine. Wind E. N. E., heading N. Sun-
day island off weather beam. 8 A. M. tacked, head-
ing S. by E. 5 P. M. raised boat island off weather beam.

Feb. 8th - Fine. Wind S. E. Double reefed topsail breeze. Pug-
ger. Sunset. Blowing a gale. Close-reefed the main
topsail.

Feb. 9th - Cloudy. Heavy swell on. Rainy. 10 A.
M. cleared up. Fine weather. Made sail. Wind
N. W. 4 P. M. not hold.

Feb. 10 - Fine. Wind N. N. W., close-hauled, starb. tack
aboard. Sunrise wore ship, close-hauled. 4 P. M. raised
boat island two pts off weather bow, & Curtis's rocks
two pts off lee bow. Two sail in sight.

Feb. 11 - Fine. Wind light, N. N. W. Boat island four
pts off lee bow; Curtis's rocks off lee beam. Sunrise
raised a ship ahead cutting in a whale. 9 A.
M. discovered the ship to windward manœuvre-

ing around whale. Got the boat ready for lowering.
After dinner the whales were about an equal dist-
ance from the ship that was cutting in this morn-
ing and ourselves. Both ships lowered together. We
passed their boats and came up with the boats of
the ship that had raised the whale. Our starb.
boat and the captain's boat of the strange ship
had a race to see who should fasten first. We
beat him and struck a cow whale accompanied
by a calf. She ran like a racer, and after being
fast about half an hour our iron drew and we
saw the whale no more. The ship we saw cut-
ting this morning was the Harvest, of Nantucket,
30 men out 1800 whale 150 sperm. The other was the
Solomon, of Falmouth, oil unknown.

Came aboard and made sail, steering close-
by the wind, the whales being two pts off the
weather bow.

Feb. 12th - Fine. Wind light, N. W. Steering E. by N.
Raised Sunday island three pts off the weather bow.
Two sail in sight to windward. Making spruce
spar. Sunset, tacked.

Feb. 13th - Cloudy. Light breeze, S. E. Sunrise,
boat island three pts off the weather bow.
Saw the Gay Head 10 miles off our weather
beam. 7 A. M. passed the barge Joseph Bost-