

strike three, but saved but one, for by the time  
we had the in one, he showed the end of the line  
therefore we were obliged to be contented with, but  
which made 120 barrels, and after crossing their boats  
we proceed further North, and still continuing North  
till we get as far North 52 degrees; but seeing  
nothing but white Whales, and having the weather  
frost cold, and strong North wind, which keeps us  
here, much longer than we should have stoped  
but on the third of August, having a fine breeze  
from the Southward, and Eastward, we shaped our  
course for Japan - and on the 27. of the same  
month, we fined our selves on the Meridian  
and on the 28, we saw Sperm Whales heard and  
obtained two, one of them had a line attached  
to him, finely we take them along, and come  
cutting them in, the 29 saw the Ship Magnet,  
Hansen, the Capt came on board, and claimed  
the line, we had taken the day before, which  
we gave him, and one Whales head to boot  
then halfpence but we have not seen them since  
but we get our whales, in; after a tedious  
but loose about fifty barrels, therefore the  
make, but 100 barrels, it being rugged weather  
there is not much going on, except the necessary work  
of the Ship, without material securing till the 8 of September  
when we saw whales again, and captured one, which  
made 90 barrels. we still continue cruising on the  
Meridian, and on the 15. saw whales again but  
got nothing, they being rather shy, but on the  
day following 16 we saw them again and being  
blessed with good luck we captured two of them  
which made us 60 barrels a piece, and they saw  
them again but got nothing, 18 saw them again  
and obtained one, which I don't think we should

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got, if he had not of been half dead, for he  
had one iron in him, and about 20 fathoms of line  
attached to it; but we take him along side, cut him  
and took it out, which made about 90 barrels, of;  
of very white oil - but better than now, which  
was employed in storing our oil away, and by the  
time we get nicely under deck, and they started  
we saw Whales again, on the 24 of the same month, we  
board our boats and, struck one, it being pretty  
rough, and high winds, we were pretty well contented  
with that, this day saw several ships, all in  
pursue of Whales - after getting our Whales in  
we stood far the south, with the hopes of having  
better weather, but the wind still continues high  
and the sea rough (so that on the first of October)  
we were cruising, low the 54 degree of North latitude  
the 28. laid from 180. to 185, Dist.) that we  
we to strong westerly winds, we shaped our course for  
the Sandwich Islands, again; and after the cruise of  
four months, and four days, we find ourselves safe by  
rewards off the Island, at Abooi, in 13 fathoms  
water - sandy bottom - here we lay five days, and  
having nothing to doe all hands, came to men ashore  
and sun day, I went on shore with the second mate  
to take a tramp, and view the landscape, and  
while on shore we get acquainted with several of  
the natives, two we found to be deserters from the  
Exchange to Phal Ship, apparently five young men,  
while on shore we had a polite invitation from  
Capt. Putson; to attend divine worship, which we  
accepted, and were blessed with a fine sermon, Mr. Lafon  
who officiated, spoke most emphatically of those who  
go down to the sea in Ships, but I fear it avail of  
nothing, although there is but few whiter, here still.  
I think it is the pleasantest of all the Islands.