

Monday Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 1857,

Fresh breeze and cloudy from WNW ship  
under double sail head S.W. at 2 P.M. rain  
at 3 wind West and clear the Petrel in  
sight, at sun set wore ship to WNW and  
took in sail.  
Middle and Latter part fresh breeze, at sun  
rise made sail stand Northward by the wind  
thus ends

Latitude 45° 39' South,  
Longitude 57° 47' West,

Tuesday Dec 23<sup>rd</sup>

Fresh breeze and clear from West ship under  
easy sail steering off E by S the Petrel  
in sight, at sun down took in sail  
and lifted by the wind South.  
Middle and Latter part fresh breeze at sun up  
made same sail, unbent the fore top mast  
stay mended and bent it again unbent the  
main top gallant to mend at noon wore ship  
to WNW.

thus ends  
Latitude 45° 57' South,  
Longitude 57° 47' West,

Thursday Dec 24<sup>th</sup>

Fresh breeze from SSW inclining Eastward  
at 2 P.M. set all sail stored WNW finished  
and bent the main top gallant the Petrel  
in sight, at dark lifted by the wind S.E.,  
and took in sail wind East.  
Middle part the same wind Southward,  
Latter part moderate at 5 A.M. saw 3 sperm  
whales lowered the boats, got fast about 10,  
lost two lines four rows and then drags,  
saw the Petrel get a whale, it seems  
to me that we have got about the poorest  
now that I ever saw,

Friday Dec 25<sup>th</sup> 1857,

Moderate breeze and pleasant weather from the wind  
all sail set heading to windward for the whale  
and breaking out for towline, at 4 lowered  
again struck another the first was the  
the second broke,  
Middle and Latter part pleasant weather at  
sun rise set all sail stored different courses  
saw the Petrel cutting, I do not begrudge other  
folks whale, but when they get them and we can  
it makes me feel cross and bad.

Latitude 45° 11' South,  
Longitude 58° 01' West,

Saturday Dec 26<sup>th</sup>

Pleasant weather from North, all sail set steering  
S.W. at 3 P.M. wind S.W. head Westward  
at dark took in sail,  
Middle part the same,  
Latter moderate wind baffling all sail set heaving  
different ways, exchanged signal with ship  
several times, the day ends with cloudy dingy  
weather.

Sunday Dec 27<sup>th</sup>

Fresh breeze with some rain ship under prudent  
sail steering Southward, wind from Westward  
at 8 A.M. spoke the Petrel and found  
she got two whales, and that makes me feel  
very bad, to see the way things work, some times  
we struck two whales lost them both, and most  
likely she got her two with very little trouble,  
Middle and Latter part fine weather all sail  
set heading S.E. it seems rather hard that we  
could not have got one of them whales to  
have sailed this fine weather.

Latitude 45° 13' South,  
Longitude 58° 00' West,