

Sunday Dec 26th 1853

Fresh breeze and thick weather from WNW
ship head W, under easy sail, the
Siberian in sight

Middle and latter part moderate and
thick fog, heading N.E. thus ends

Monday Dec 27th

Moderate breeze and fog from North, at
1 P.M. fog let up set Ball sail, two sail
in sight, at 4 P.M. wore ship to Westward,
saw the Siberian get a whale, whales
are very few and far betwixt here, it is now
the week since we have lowered for one,
if we do not see them we shall save our
credit

Middle and latter part wind E.S.E.,
inclining Southerly, with steady rain,
ship heading N.E. to East thus ends
this kind of whaling will not buy the
child a flock, I wish I was worth the
my little sum \$10,000 and a snug
little house, well furnished, and a snug
little wife, to take care of the small things,
and I was at home, I do not think I should
bother whaling much

Tuesday Dec 28th

Strong breeze and rain from S.S.W. ship head W,
under double reefed all sail, and fore-sail
at 3 P.M. rain held up, keeping on, at 4 handed
fore sail, and cast reef the all sail,
Middle and latter part more moderate
at 4 A.M. set double reef S Sails
staved different courses, saw two
sail, thus ends

Wednesday Dec 29th 1853

Strong breeze and rugged, heavy swell on
wind WNW ship under double reefed S
Sails, strong N.E. and sail in sight at
5 P.M. saw a whale, lowered the boat
found it rugged I tell you, came on board
at 7 wore ship to East, and took in sail
to cast reef all S Sails
Middle part the same

Latter part more moderate, at 8 P.M. wore
ship to S.S.E. and set double reef S Sails,
one sail in sight, thus ends

Latitude 46° 09' South
Longitude 154° 31' West

Thursday Dec 30th

Strong breeze and rugged from S.W. ship
under easy sail heading S.S.E. at 1 P.M.
spoke ship Charles W. Morgan, New Bedford
at 2 saw two whales, lowered the boat
could not get fast (two reef boat sail weather)
at dusk wore ship to W.W. and took in sail,
Middle and latter part the same, set
double reef S Sails, at noon wore ship to
S.S.E. thus ends

Latitude 46° 02' South

Friday Dec 31st

Strong breeze and rugged from W.S.W. ship
under double reefed S Sails, heading S.S.E.
at 3 P.M. wore ship to W.W. at 4 wore ship
by ship William and Henry of Fairhaven,
at dusk took in sail

Middle and latter part much the same,
at 5 A.M. set double reef S Sails, and
wore ship to S.S.E. at 8 kept off E.S.E.
thus ends
Latitude 46° 12' South
Longitude 154° 38' West