

Ship Forton of New- Bedford Cruising.  
on different tacks by the wind under a close reefed  
Main Topsail and Fore Sail

- Wednesday  
Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> Lat. 37-45 S. - - - Long. 160-42 E.  
Commences with strong Gales from S.W. and thick  
weather the heading to the Westward under a close  
reefed Main Topsail and Fore Sail, at 5 P.M. saw sperm  
Whales and lowered 2 Boats at 6 returned to the ship with  
out catch, Middle part light variable winds, latter part  
fresh breezes from S.W. Steering S.E. all Sail set attended  
with small showers of rain Lat. 37-45 S. - Long. 161-03 E.
- Thursday  
Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> First part fresh breezes from the S.W. and Cloudy Steering  
on to the S.E. by the wind all Sail set, Middle and latter  
part strong Gales from S.W. and thick weather heading  
to the westward under short Sail, &c. etc.
- Friday  
Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> Lat. 37-40 S. - - - Long. 161-25 E.  
First and Middle part moderate winds from S.W. &  
rainy heading to the W. under a close reefed Main  
Topsail and Fore Sail, at 4 Am. made all Sail, latter part  
light airs from W. and thick weather &c. etc.
- Saturday  
Jan. 31<sup>th</sup> Lat. by S. R. 37-42 S. - - - Long. 161-00 E.  
Commences with fresh breezes from S.E. and rainy Steer-  
ing to the S.W. by the wind at 7 P.M. shortened Sail  
and wore Ship, Middle and latter part the same as  
ends under a close reefed Main Topsail and Fore Sail,
- Sunday  
Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> Lat. 37-46 S. - - - Long. 161-23 E.  
First part strong Gales from the S.W. and Cloudy heading  
to the Northward under a close reefed Main Topsail, latter moderate  
Gales from the S. at 5 Am. set the P. Sail and Double reefed Tops-  
ails, so ends heading W. S.W. by the wind
- Monday  
Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> Lat. 37-19 S. - - - Long. 161-58 E.  
All these 24 hours winds from S.E. and overcast Steering to the  
S.W. by the wind, under short Sail throughout the night
- Tuesday  
Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> Lat. 37-35 S. - - - Long. 160-25 E.  
Commences with winds from the E.S.E. and Cloudy  
Steering to the Southward by the wind, at sunset short-  
ened Sail at Daylight made all Sail so ends Lat. 38-37 S.  
Long. 159-50 E.

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- Wednesday  
Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> Commences with fresh breezes from the S. attended with  
small rain, at sunset shortened Sail, latter part strong  
Gales from the S. and rainy so ends heading to the South-  
ward under a close reefed Main Topsail & spencers. &c. etc.
- Thursday  
Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> Lat. by S. R. 38-40 S. - - - Long. 160-00 E.  
All these 24 hours strong Gales and variables lying under  
a close reefed Main Topsail and Stay Sail, First and Middle  
part rainy latter part Cloudy Lat. 39-21 S. - Long. 159-13 E.
- Friday  
Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> Commences with strong Gales from the S. and Cloudy heading  
to the W. S.W. at 8 Am. set the Fore Sail and Fore Topsail Double  
reefed, and Steered S. by E. so ends
- Saturday  
Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> Lat. 38-37 S. - - - Long. 158-32 E.  
First part strong winds from S. Steering S.E. by S. under  
Double reefs, Middle part calm, at 9 Am. took a breeze from the  
S.W. and Steered S. S.E. all Sail set.
- Sunday  
Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Lat. 38-04 S. - - - Long. 159-50 E.  
First part brisk winds from S.W. by S. Steering to the  
Northward by the wind all Sail set, Middle and latter part  
strong Gales from S.W. and equally heading to the Westward  
under a close reefed Main Topsail so ends.
- Monday  
Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> Lat. 37-25 S. - - - Long. 160-24 E.  
Commences with strong Gales from the S.S.W. heading to  
the W. under a close reefed Main Topsail, at 6 Am. set  
the Fore Sail, and Double reefed Topsails and Steered S. S.W.  
at 10 O. let one reef out of the Topsails so ends
- Tuesday  
Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> Lat. 34-28 S. - - - Long. 159-59 E.  
Commences with winds from S. Steering S. S.W. at sunset  
shortened Sail and headed to the Eastward, latter part light  
winds from S. S.E. to S.E. Steering S. S.W. at 11 Am. sent  
up the Main & Gallant yard so ends all Sail set.
- Wednesday  
Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> Lat. 35-22 S. - - - Long. 159-48 E.  
All these 24 hours strong winds from the S.E. Steering on Diff-  
erent Courses to the Northward lying under short Sail  
through the night at 6 Am. saw a Sail heading to the  
S.W. so ends nothing more to be remarked  
Lat. 33-58 S. - - - Long. 160-05 E.