March 16th 1838 Cruising to the Westward with a strong Current
Lat. 0 16 S Moderate winds from S.E. Steering S.S.E. and at
Lat 26 S 2 P.M. stopped to S.S.E. and at 5 P.M. to the
Long 143-14 E to S.E. by E. Latter part and Light calm and a
Air 70 tremendious Swell and at 1½ P.M. saw a very
large Whale spouting to the Westward and
saw several young Bulls at 8 P.M. found all
3 Boats and put off but they not settle as soon
as the Boats came up so have flukes But
by long trying succeed in striking and
40 Barrels Bull and Sound saw a large Bed
at 12½ P.M. with spermy and spouted from all
hands so Ends all could so for night and then
Sunday 17th 16th P.M. Light calm with not A Breath
Lat 25 S of Air But A gentle Swell rowling to the
Long 143-38 E Westward and a strong current setting
Air 78 to the N.W. on Lost Side of the Whales so
the N.W. at 2 P.M. Supposed Cutting and
finished at 4 P.M. with not Warm Weather
But Hot Light winds through the night and in
the morning saw A Dead Whale to the
N.E. about 5 miles off and run for him and at
10 A.M. found Boat and pulled up to him and
hoped him a long side but 12 Clock and hoped
but they have in and finished at 1½ P.M. the
Whale had Burst by gunny been long in and
Sun 3 Days he had one Eye in him and
The worst Disagreeable mess I ever
have Experienced on Board of a Whaler thinks
yet but we have had one Crow and about 10 days
Monday 18th Long Becalmed in and Bouncing Sun
Lat 12 S and Employed in Boiling we finished at 5
Long 143-30 E P.M. the 5 Whales making 65 Bbls Latter part
Air 78 all hands employed in Washing them selves so
finished Boiling Long still calm with a heavy Swell
Tuesday 19th Still calm and at 1 P.M. saw Black Skin of the
Lat 26 S Sulphur Bow but no wind to get to it Latter part
Long 143-12 Light winds from S.W. Steering S.S.E. and
Air 88 employed in Coopering two Sperm Casks
Wednesday 20th Commences with Light winds from N.W. Steering
Lat 25 S S.S.E. and at 6 P.M. Lost sight of N.W. and in
Long 143-12 the morning Lost the S.S.E. with Light winds
Air 71 from the Northward and Employed in Staining down
Wednesday Oil in the fore Hold and the Library Lie 2 to
End with weather so Dry to Shorten the Twige
347 Bbls out

March 1838 Cruising for A few Weeks to the Westward
and W. Breathe B. Moderate winds from Northward
Lat 0 19 S Steering S.S.E. and at 2 P.M. saw a Whale
Long 143-02 E so Tailing of the Weather Bow about 6 miles
Air 88 Disturbed the gun close on the wind and fell
saw 4 large about 3 miles to the Leward of them Lower
Whales but all 3 Boats and put off to the windward and
No Sperm but they just neither a ½ mile Dis of the whales
got to them at sunset so that Lowered A Boat and come Back
to the Ship about 8 P.M. with nothing to pay
them for a long pull Leagues Pull of 8 or 10 miles
Bull to take up the Boats and Cut it from and
Pulling saw A Sail for to the windward heading
To the South So Ends no risk to Day
Thursday 21st Commences with moderate winds from North
Lat 1-01 S and at 12½ Sun Breeches to Northward to Lower to the windward
Long 143-18 at 2 P.M. Light Squalls of rain and at half A mile
Air 77 Dis for A Sinner Latter part Strong breezes and at
1½ P.M. saw A Sail ½ points of the Lee Bow heading
for us But no whales so Ends to Long out of Port
Fri Day 22 at Strong breezes and Steering S.S.E. and at
Lat 40 S 2 P.M. Spoke the Ship Catherine of Nantucket
Long 142-12 Capt Chase 20 months out with 1300 bls gunny
Air 86 She is 6 Days from Marquesas Islands they had 46
hogs on Board that she purchased at the Islands
for one Whales tooth in peace and plenty Dance
Catherine of fruit of all kinds at these Islands Capt
Nantucket Chase of the Catherine reportes the English
Capt Chase Whaler Ship Royal Sovereign at the Falkland
1800 bls Sperm Islands to be coming there She Lower away
the Catherine Boats just at night and they Lost her
in Company Track and the Mate Found up his whale and
round of five Spouts of the other Boat the but saw
no more reports Strong Breezes and cruising the remainder
Latter part more for the Marquesas Islands in
Company with the Catherine S.E. and Strong breezes
Saturday 23rd Commences with Strong breezes Steering S.S.E.
Lat 1-28 S Latter the same and the Catherine in Company
Long 143-12 and at 8 A.M. Saw Whales and lowered all 3 Boats and
Air 87 and the Catherine lowered 3 Boats and got one Small
Whale 18 bls But we got more the Boats Come
on Board at 11 A.M. and Stand of S.E. for the Line
381 Days from Home with 47 bls