Remarks On board Ship J. Brothers

Sat. Dec. 25th. 551

begins with baffling winds from W to SW
employed in breaking out & stowing Oil.
Sedgewick at 6 PM Bonito Isle Bear W by S
20 m. bears do Point S.W.S. M. & Latt. Part
fresh breezes from the Westward & a strong
current setting to the SW. the whales appear
to have left the ground

Sunday Dec. 26th. 552

begins with Light air from the Westward
& clear weather. at 4 PM finished stowing
Oil. 86 bbls. at 6 PM saw a bears Isle
bear East dist. 30. Mid Part & Latt.
a Moderate breeze from SW. at 6 AM St.
& W.S. at 10 do lowered for black fish.
got none

Monday Dec. 27th. 553

begins with a fresh breeze from SW &
hazy weather. at 6 PM Bonito Isle bear
S by W dist 12 m. tacked head W.W. Mid Part
tacked to the S.E. Latt. Part fresh breezes
at 7 AM 2 Ships insight. see a Marsd. of Sp.
Whales going to the SE lowered half Struck
one. A.B Struck another. lost the whale
spouting blood & B. [illegible]

Tuesday Dec. 28th. 554

begins with fresh breezes from the North
working to the windward in pursuit
of the Whale. took out the broken spot
set another. at 6 PM 3 Ships insight
bears Isle W.S. bear S by E dist 12 m. W.S.
Bonito bear S.S.W dist. 12 m. Latt. Part
fresh breezes. see a Steamer. at 9½ AM saw shoal
of small sp. Whales going to the Westward. at 10 do
lowered Struck. 3

Off Berrios Island

Wednesday Dec. 29th. 555

begins with strong breezes from the West.
at 4 PM took the Whale to the Ship. at 2 do lowered
again the whales were going two quick to the
windward at 5 PM took up the boats. hoisted in
one whale. Mid & Latter Part strong winds very
hazzey at 6 AM the fluke chain broke to one Whale
broke fast to the Ship again. hoisted in the whale
bended to the W.S under double Reefs

Thursday Dec. 30th. 556

begins with strong wind from W by W hazzey
see 2 Ship to the windward Whaling. at 3 PM
bended to the Westward. see large quantity
of Sperm whale. at 7 PM began to bail
Latter Part strong wind. at 8 AM took in fore
& Mizz top sails

Friday Dec. 31st. 557

begins with strong wind from the West.
very hazzey. at 7 PM stopped boiling bailing
too hazzey. Wore ship to the W.S. Mid &
Latt. Part the same. at 10½ AM boiling
again. hazzey weather

Saturday Jan. the 1st 1853

begins with strong wind from the North
& hazzey. at in towards the land. at 6 PM
Spoke Capt. Frederick W.B 1200 sp. 28 sp. Matts
at 7 PM finished boiling. fine weather
Mid & Latt. Part strong wind.

Sunday Jan. 2d 558

begins with fresh breezes from the
West. at 4 PM spelled in off Bonito Isle to
fish. got none. at 6 PM. S.B. bear W.S. dist.
8 M. Mid & Latt Part Moderate. see 1 Ship
& 1 one brig