

Barge Brighton of Dartmouth
Thurs Dec 4th

Came with a light gale from the N.E.
and foggy ship lying here to under
close reefed main, topsail and storm sail,
towards night wind moderated some
middle and latter part wind
moderate from the North with rain
and fog at daylight made sail
and steered to the West

Frid Dec 5th

Came with moderate winds from
the North rainy and foggy
steered to the West at sunset
shortened sail ship laying up
W.N.W. Middle part of the
same at daylight made sail and
steered the S.W. at six A.M.
made North Cape of New Zealand bearing
S. dist twelve leagues saw porpoise

Sat Dec 6th

Came with light winds and fine weather
from the North course S.W. at four P.M.
saw blackfish lowered and caught
five at sunset shortened sail and
steered S.W. at ten P.M. luffed
to the wind laying up E.S.E.
at daylight saw land bearing from
S. to E. dist five leagues
made sail and steered to the S.W.
latter part foggy at ten P.M.
weather cleared up employed in
boiling blackfish

Capt Abner Tucker Mast
Sund Dec 7th

Came with fine breeze from the N. course S.W.
at one P.M. made three Kings bearing N.E. S.W.
dist ten leagues at two P.M. steered S.S.W.
at sunset shortened sail luffed to the wind laying
up W.S.W. middle part calm and
foggy at nine A.M. fog cleared away
made a light breeze springing up from
the North steered S.E.

Lat by Obs 35° 07' S
Long by Chron 171° 40' East

Mon Dec 8th

Came with a light breeze from the N
and fine weather course S.E. at
five P.M. saw a school of sperm whales
lowered struck one and took him
alongside at eight P.M. shortened sail
middle and latter part light winds and calm
at five A.M. cutting at seven A.M.
finished cutting at nine A.M. wind light
from the E.S.E. saw a barge
at ten made sail to the South saw pinbar
employed in cleaning up and getting for boiling

W.B.

Tuesday Dec 9th

Came with wind light from the E.S.E. steering
by the wind to the S at two P.M. commenced
at sunset shortened sail and wore to the N.E.
the barge in sight to the S at three A.M.
wore to the N.E. at daylight made sail
and saw blackfish at noon tacked
to the N.E.