

On Board Bark Abraham Barker on our way to distation

Friday March 1st 1867

The first part of these 24 hours good weather & we have been employed at stowing down our sail all day & did not get it all down Middle part Strong winds & some squally. Latter part Strong winds & we were employed at stowing down the remainder of our sail & we are going on course S. by E. wind from the N.W. blowing so strong we had to knock it stowing down &c

Saturday March 2nd

The first part of these 24 hours Strong winds & we were under short sail & stowing before the wind under a double reef main topsail & fore sail going on course S. by E. Middle part blowing Strong & we were running before the wind stowing S. by E. under a double reef main topsail & fore sail. Latter part the same only not so much wind & we made some sail &c

Sunday March 3rd

The first part of these 24 hours Strong winds & a heavy sea running. We are stowing S. by E. right before the wind the Middle part it blowed heavier than ever & was a very ugly sea on & about 10 P.M. we shipped a heavy sea & it came in our bulwarks & split our rail on the Starboard side. & our decks was full of water & every thing was washing about. Deck & it marked in our cooper & some our baby hatch &c we called all hands & went to pumping ship & pulling our Hatches &c at 2 A.M. we sent one watch below board & stowed. Latter part Strong winds & a ugly sea on & we are still going on course S. by E. with our top gallant sails set &c & wind right aft & weather out so bad as it was last night

Monday March 4th

The first part of these 24 hours blowing Strong & a heavy sea on & we shipped our top gallant sails set & are going on course S. by E. wind N.W. Middle part it began to moderate down & became better. Weather & our course is now E. by S. & wind S.W. &c. Latter part good weather again & we still have all sail set & are going the same course & the wind is the same & our carpenter has been employed at repairing damages. Today we finished stowing down our sail today

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Tuesday March 5th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant with a light breeze from the S. by E. we are steering S. by E. & our men have been employed at ship duties & our carpenter has been repairing damages which we got done the other night the Middle part pleasant with a light breeze & we had all sail set. Latter part the same & our carpenter finished our damages. Today we went in our gig today & repaired that & sent to it out again & our course & wind is the same &c

Wednesday March 6th

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant with a light breeze & our men have been employed at ship duties & we have all sail set & are steering S. by E. & wind from the S.W. Middle part pleasant & calm &c. Latter part pleasant with a light breeze from the N.E. & we have all sail set & steering S. by E. & our men have been employed at washing ship out side & in &c

Thursday March 7th

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant with a light breeze from the N.E. & we have all sail set & are steering S. by E. & our men have been employed at washing ship out side & in. At 4 P.M. we raised a sail off our lee beam a merchant ship Middle part pleasant with a very light breeze & our men have been employed at washing ship out side & in. Latter part the same & the same ship is in sight & we are both heading to the E. & wind S. by E. & our course is S. by E. & our men have been employed at ship duties & our second mate has been found applying our after shroud where it was struck &c

Friday March 8th

The first part of these 24 hours good weather but a heavy & high sea on & the weather some cloudy & our course is S. by E. & the wind is about S. by E. & we are on the Starboard tack &c. Middle part the same & we passed close to a merchant ship on the first tack & then we tacked & stood the same way. Latter part good weather with a light breeze from the S. by E. & our course is S. by E. & the same merchant ship is in sight & our lee beam & she is steering by the wind on the off Starboard tack & we are the same &c