

On the Line.

Sunday 24th June 1855.

Strong trades from the S.E. and cloudy weather, heading to the Wards; Bark Catherwood in sight also the George & Susan, at 4 P.M. Wm & Mr. Taylor went on board, took tea and stopped until 9 o'clock. Capt. J sent us a packet of English nuts, quite a treat. After they got on board wore ship to the Eward.

Monday 25 June 1855.

Strong trades from the S.E. and cloudy, all hands washing. Saw Finbacks; the two ships still in sight, one heading to the Eward the other to the Wards.

Lat 1° 1' S.
Long 87° 1' W.

Tuesday June 26th 1855.

Strong trades from the S.E. and cloudy, heading to the Eward, at noon wore ship to the W. saw Finbacks.

Lat 1° 55' S.
Long 86° 45' W.

Wednesday June 27th 1855.

Strong winds and squally, heading to the W. Saw Finbacks & Trampuses, at night tacked ship to the E. and took in the light sails.

Lat 1° 1' S.
Long 88° 2' W.

Thursday June 28th 1855.

Strong trades from the S.E. and squally, heading to the S.W. Saw Finbacks; one sail in sight.

Lat 2° 16' S.
Long 87° 23' W.

Friday June 29th 1855.

Strong winds from the S.E. and squally, heading to the Eward, saw Finbacks. Spoke the Ship Balconas. Capt. Dorman 22 Mo out, had taken one whale since leaving port, had sent her oil home. At night double reefed the topsails.

Lat 2° 55' S.
Long 88° 7' W.

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Saturday June 30th 1855.

Strong winds from the S.E. and squally, heading to the Eward under double-reefed topsails. saw Finbacks and Blackfish.

Lat 3° 52' S.
Long 89° 4' W.

Sunday July 1st 1855.

Strong winds from the S.E. and squally weather, heading to the Eward, saw nothing.

Monday July 2nd 1855.

Light winds from the S.E. and pleasant. All hands washing. heading to the Eward. took in the light sails at night.

Lat 3° 53' S.
Long 88° — W.

Tuesday July 3rd 1855.

Moderate winds from the S.E. heading to the E. saw Finbacks, and a sword-fish. At night tuffed the ship to the wind.

I have been washing to day. it is now 7 in the evening, the children are busy getting their lessons as we have school every evening unless whaling which is very seldom, it would do our eyes good just to see a whale, there is a bounty of \$15 up for 200 lbs of oil at one lowering within a fortnight. We are now having a few tunes on the violin.

Wednesday July 4th 1855.

Moderate winds from the S.E. and cloudy. saw Finbacks, Trampuses, Blackfish, and a large bone-shark, passed a ship bound to the Wward. I have been making a whaling signal to day, took my work on deck where I have passed the most of the day; it is cold enough here to wear a wadded sack, I suppose all hands have gone to the fireworks this evening, & I among the rest, I should like to be there too. I guess they are having a 4th in the stowage, I hear dancing.