Remarks on board Ship Geo Kent Capt Ashby

Tuesday December 2nd 1862

this morning I left Fairhaven and took an Ship with me with the intention of coming back again for a N.A.R. the Agent informed me on the 1st he expected the Ship to sail to day as he had not had from the Capt and about 10 A.M. he came out as the Pilot boat was coming down I left Mark Hart and came on board hoisted up the boat hoisted in some line and got all ready for sea.

Wednesday December 3rd 1862

the day commenced with a fresh breeze the Pilot boat left the Captain came on board accompanied by Mr Hatch the Pilot and answer the remainder of the E.S. from off the sea horse of and with fore and mizzen topsail shall be getting under way double reefed the main topsail and at 7 am sunk reefed the fore mizzen unshed the anchor to the right direct the men temperance into watch, the Larboard watch taking the first eight hours out. strong breeze the night being to the S.E. and W.S.W. and then S. wind about N.W. at 12 M. left the anchor, at 1 rec a boat's crew of Chinese masts heave and stowed the cable bitts fore and main masts all sail set. all hands to dinner at 2 P.M. left port.

Thursday December 4th 1862

this day four hours commenced with a moderate breeze from the S.E. closing S.E. all sail set at 2 P.M. the same light lines on the topsail yards unshed in coiling lines. at 8 A.M. take in the light sails and close down the fore and mizzen topsail single reefed the fore and double reefed the main

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at 4 A.M. strong breeze from the N.W. at 2 A.M. the main topgallant sail. at 4 lowered the yard of the fore topsail & set the fore topgallant sail. latter fore fresh breeze and rainy. standing West & N.W. at 4.30 A.M. lowered the Larboard main boat after block fast. so end this watch four hours

Friday December 5th 1862

the watch commenced with a strong breeze from the S.E. closing E. fore topsail set. A chase at 6 A.M. the Larboard and starboard watches composing the Larboard watch on the other is the Starboard watch. middle and fresh latter part moderate. this morning manned the fore & main topgallant mast. wind from the S.W. heading from S.E. by S. at 9 A.M. tacked ship and stood to the N.E.

Saturday December 6th 1862

this day commenced with a moderate breeze at 2 P.M. fresh breeze from the S.E. all hands on deck during the fore part of the day at 2 P.M. commenced to take in sail at 4.3 were unable double reefed topsail. at 6 furled the fore & main. raining. the night was very disagreeable. at 7 P.M. very dark although a full moon. with thunder and lightening during a few hours during the night. Eight bells at 8 left the S.E. wind W.N.W. Hoisted 9 A.M. furled away the flying jibb boom. fore topgallant mast and main royal mast. called all hands and served them out a glass of grog. between 9 A.M. and 10 A.M. take in fore and mizzen topsail and close reefed the main. at 11 lowered the topsail and turned one reef out of the main topsail and kept the S.W. of E.S.E.

Sad of wind from N.W. to S.E.