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H.	R.	Variation	Courses	by Comp.	Winds	Dist.	Remarks on Tuesday Dec. 28. 1852
2	8		S. W.	E.S.E			This day comes in with strong breezes from E.S.E. Ship steering N.W. under all sail, steadily sails set alow & aloft.
4	8						
6	8						
8	8						
10	8					815	Saw 3 Brigs Bound S.W.
12	8	00 " 00	S. W.	E			Long. by Chro. 61.53
2	8						
4	8						A.M. about the same,
6	8						
8	8						
10	8		S. W. by S.	E. & E.			
12	8						Latt. by Obs. 24.47
2	6½		S.W. by S	E.N.E.			Remarks on Wednesday Dec. 29th 1852
4	6½						This day comes in with strong breezes from E.S.E. Ship steering
6	6½						S. W. by S. under all sail,
8	6½					866	
10	6½						Long. by Chro. 64.52
12	6½						
2	6½		S.W. by S.	E			At 10 P.M. Saw an Ore Topsail
4	6½						Schooner Bound S.
6	6½						
8	6½						A.M. quite Moderate
10	6½						
12	6½		S.W. by S.	E.S.E.			Latt. by Obs. 26.32
2	5½		S.W. by S.	S.E.			Remarks on Thursday Dec. 30th 1852
4	5½						This day comes in with Moderate
6	5½						breezes from S.E. Ship steering S.
8	5½						by S. crew employed at
10	5½			S.E.			painting Ship,
12	5½		S.W. by W.			817	Long. by Chro. 66.25
2	5½						
4	5½						A.M. about the same
6	5½						
8	5½						
10	5½		S.W. by S.				
12	5½						Latt. by Obs 28.16
2	5¼		S.S.W.	S.E.			Remarks on Friday Dec. 31st 1852
4	5¼						This day comes in with Moderate
6	5¼						breezes from S.E. Ship steering
8	5¼						S.S.W. crew employed at
10	5¼					818	painting Ship,
12	5¼						Long. by Chro. 67.42
2	5¼		S.S.W.	S.E.			At 4 P.M. saw a Bore. & after
4	5¼						Schooner Bound S.
6	5¼						A.M. Exchanged Signals with
8	5¼						Brig Bonny S
10	5¼			S			
12	5¼		S.S.W.				Latt. by Obs 30.08

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H.	R.	Variation	Courses	by Comp.	Winds	Dist.	Remarks on Saturday Jan. 1st 1853
2	5		S.S.W.	S			This day comes in with Moderate
4	5						breezes & pleasant weather from S.
6	5						Ship steering S.S.W.
8	5			S.S.W.			Long. by Chro. 68.45
10	5					819	At 3 P.M. saw a Pole & a fore Schooner
12	5						Bound S.
2	5						
4	5		S.S.W.	S.S.E			Latter part of A.M. breezing on
6	5						
8	5						
10	5						
12	5		S.S.W.	S			Latt. by Obs 31.57
2	4		S.S.W.	S			Remarks on Sunday Jan. 2nd 1853
4	4						This day comes in with a fine breeze
6	4		S.S.W.				from S. Ship steering S.S.W.
8	4		S.S.W.	S.S.W.			under all sail
10	4		S.S.W.	S.W.			Long. by Chro. 69.58
12	4		S.S.W.	W.		820	At 7 P.M. some lightning in the
2	4		S	West W.			Northwestern Bounds,
4	4						Latter part of P.M. wind from W
6	4		S.S.E.	S.W.			
8	4		E.S.E.	S.			Fore part of A.M. stormy breeze from S
10	4						Latter part of A.M. calm
12	4						Latt by Obs 33.11
2	2½						Remarks on Monday Jan. 3rd 1853
4	2½						This day commences Calm
6	2½						At one P.M. spoke Ship Forest, 8 days
8	2½						from Boston
10	2½						Long. by Chro. 70.12
12	2½					821	
2	2½		S.S.W.	S.E			Fore part of A.M. took light airs
4	2½						from S.E.
6	2½		Saw a deep Sadened Bark				At 10 A.M. a fine breeze
8	2½		steering about S.				
10	2½						No Observation
12	2½						Latt. by Acc 34.00
2	3¾		S.W. by S.	S.E.			Remarks on Tuesday Jan. 4th 1853
4	3¾		S.W. by S.	S			This day comes in with a fine breeze
6	3¾						from S.E. Ship steering S.W. by S.
8	3¾						spitting rain a little, saw two sail
10	3¾		S.W. by S.	S			standing to E. At 3 A.M. blowing
12	3¾					822	very hard from S.W. double reefed the
2	3¾						topsails, At 4. & 5. took in fore & Mizen
4	5¾		S.W. by W	S.W.			topsails & fore sail, At 8 Moderated so
6	3¾						much, set fore topsail & fore sail, At 9. blowing
8	3¾						hard again, took in fore topsail & fore
10	3¾						sail & close reefed main topsail
12	3¾		S.W. by W.	S.W.			No Observation