

Remarks on Board Bark Clara Bell

Friday Dec 10th 1858

Came with strong Gale from NW
lying to wind close reefed main top sail and
spinnaker heading S. Southward at 6 P.M. wind light
middle part lying to wind blowing strong
Vatter part at 1 P.M. stood off S.E. & wind
more moderate made some sail
took in the boat & Bowed out

Lat 40° 53' 15" S
Long 64° 50' W

Saturday Dec 11th

Came with strong winds from
westward course S.E. & blowing strong at
6 P.M. wind light with squally weather
saw two whales at 7 P.M. landed but saw
strike boat returned at 9 P.M. shortened sail
wind blowing a gale from Southward ship heading
to Westward

Lat 40° 53' 17" S
Long 64° 10' W

Sunday Dec 12th

Came with a light breeze from
SW at 3 P.M. wind sprang up from Northward
course S.E. with all spinnakers set and
we hope to be blessed with a few days good
weather and wind had grant it may be for we
are truly in a hurry to be getting something
middle part blowing strong course S.E. with all sails set
Vatter part wind shifted square in to the SW
to NW close reefed the topsails

Lat 40° 55' 22" S
Long 63° 37' W

Monday Dec 13th

Came with strong Gale from NW
Bark heading from S.E. to S.W. wind close reefed
and course middle part weather more moderate
wind more to Southward Vatter part lashed to bottom
weather pleasant weather 10 P.M. squally shortened sail
to double reef

Lat 40° 56' 25" S
Long 64° 15' W

Bound to the Pacific Ocean Dec 14th 1858

Tuesday Dec 14th

Came with strong winds from NW
to SW with heavy squalls at 3 P.M. lying to wind
close reef main topsail and spinnaker Bark heading
to the Westward blowing a very heavy gale with a sharp
sea Vatter part more moderate made some sail some
squarely with two one Bark in light lashed
to SW wind N.W. by W with rain

Lat 40° 55' 30" S
Long 65° 15' W

Wednesday Dec 15th

Came with strong winds from
N.W. inclined to South took in sail to close
reef blowing strong from NW with rain and
very disagreeable weather middle part blowing strong
Vatter part more pleasant or rather less wind but
cloudy & raining ship heading S.E. to S.W. is clipped in
sight not doing us much

Lat 40° 57' 10" S
Long 65° 10' W

Thursday Dec 16th

Came with strong winds
and rain taking in and making sail as grain
required hope to have a wind soon to go along
for we are now a considerable time out without
anything middle part blowing strong with rain
Vatter part much the same headed off S.E. by S. ship heading
blowing strong

Lat 40° 57' 17" S
Long 65° 22' W

Friday Dec 17th

Came with strong winds from Westward
Bark heading NW at 2 P.M. heading N.W. by W to S.W.
middle part took in sail to double reefed or rather
close reefed topsails put main sail full & spun Kite
heading South. Vatter part blew a ship to the NW
at the main sail at 10 A.M. put the main sail

Lat 40° 57' 45" S
Long 65° 32' W