

Feb. 1876 Log. Book of Bk. Clarice Marchant

Monday 14th
Begins with strong winds from East. Bk on Port tack under double reefs, Courses Gibb & Spunkers Egg Emback & Birkvies. At sundown shortened sail & wore ship's Middle part fresh gale from East at 9 P.M. furled Foretop sail latter part more moderate Bk steering different courses saw Emback's Watch employed breaking out water

Tuesday 15th
Begins with moderate winds Bk steering N, N, W, Wind about East saw a number of Tombsicks & Sulferbottoms Watch employed breaking out water & at sun down brought the ship to the wind on Port tack and furled Gibb & Mainsail Middle part moderate breezes from the Eastward Latter part very much the same Bk steering different courses Watch employed with ship duties

Wednesday 16th
Begins with moderate breezes from the Eastward Bk steering to the different Courses saw a number of Tombsicks also Porpoises Watch employed about ship duties Middle and latter part ^{weaker} very much the same Latter part Bk on Starboard tack All sail out saw Tombsicks, Sulferbottoms, and Blackjill also Skiffjacks Watch employed as usual

Thursday 17th
First part light light breezes Easterly and calm Bk etc. different Courses all sail set Watch employed as usual at dusk took in the light sail Middle part same Latter part Wind Easterly Bk on Port tack under all sail Watch employed about ship duties

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Friday 18th
These 24 hours comes in with fine breezes from about East Barks by the wind under all sail Watch employed about ship duties at dusk took in the light sails and furled the mizzen Middle part Bk on opposite tacks Latter part strong breezes from the Eastward Bk on Port tack under Top sails Courses Gibb & Spunkers at 9.45 A.M. saw a breach to leeward run down to the place where we saw it and laid with head to sea aback until 11.30 A.M. then double reefed the topsails and breaced forward saw nothing more of the breach & have neglected to state that on Monday Feb. 14th while stowing down after breaking out water, an empty Cask slid down against John Adams (Seaman) who was leaning over the main, bit to striking him in the back side, he says it hurt him in the belly, and since complains of the small of his back and limbs. The Capt. has done what he could for him giving him medicine to take and a plaster for his back, but without any benefit, he has been off duty ever since

Saturday 19th
First part strong breezes from the Eastward Bk on Port tack under double reefs Gibb and Spunkers Watch employed as usual at dusk took in Gibb & Spunkers and furled the Mizzen Middle part Bk by the wind on Starboard tack Latter part fine breezes from the Eastward Bk on Port tack by the wind Watch employed breaking out water Bread for John Adams no better as he says I think there is nothing the matter with him