

Warren

December 1852: on board Ship Sea of

Thursday 23 Commenced with light winds from the Southward steering by the wind to the W. S. Employed at repairing an old fore & aft sail The steward tried his hand at making beer Middle part calm latter part the same with heavy swell from the Southward finished mending the foretop sail and broke out the rigging
Sat 8:30 A

Long Not known by me

Friday 24 first part calm and merry warm the other momentary squalls at 85 deg in the shade 2 months ago it stood at 30 I then so great & cheery I so short a time must be very injurious to health I cannot sleep without all mos & drowsiness in my own sweat Employed at setting up main topmast rigging the beer we brewed yesterday is so good they cannot make it go off although they have a great composition brew of tartar soda Salutaris Spruce tops yeast and molasses If it ever goes off it will make a drink fit for the gods Middle part all kinds of weather at 12 o'clock still took at fine breeze from S. S. W. with continued the remainder of the day making the best of our way to the Southward latter part Employed at repairing an old main top sail we see nothing of the whale kind a few fly fish and as many boobies as all we have seen for an age
Sat 4:46

Saturday 25 Commenced with fine breeze from S. S. W. steering by the wind to the S. W. under all sail Employed at mending main top sail Commenced drinking the beer which is as bitter as alcohol Middle part the wind backed to the Eastward so we could S. by W. under all sail latter part finished mending the old main top sail
Sat 5:38 A

Sunday 26 first part fine breeze from the S. S. W. steering by the wind to the S. W. finished mending main top sail with that it mended the main Middle part fresh breeze from the Eastward steering S. by W. under all sail

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Latter part wind and weather the same nothing to be seen at 8 o'clock at 11 o'clock 2 boobies let the dog play with them for a spell then let them go saw a hawk back and porpoise
Sat 3:31 A

A verve or two I'm going to write
as it came I saw last night
as the evening did draw a few
some sea birds did appear

Warried with a lenthend flight
on our spars they did a light
thinking that they there might stay
until the coming of the day

But here