

Ship Commodore Morris of New Bedford

Monday Dec. 25th 1871

all day ship lying off and on at Brava Is. 7.30
at 8 P.M. went in shore with the view of doing
a little trading was informed that I could get
all that I wished in a very few hours but first
it was necessary to send Bill of Health up to the
town for endorsement and then the Custom
House officer would be down and could do go
directly to work getting off my recruits waited
until 2 P.M. and saw no signs of Custom
House officer or of Bill of Health then started
and came on board thinking that if it required
6 hours to get the Custom House officers started
we should do but little trading this day. the
officer at the landing or tide waiter was drunk
throughout the greater part of the day.

at 4 P.M. boat went in and brought off
Bill of Health and two men. Joe Speedwell
as cook and John Giacinto as a seaman
both having shipped for the voyage and ad-
vanced their both cash and merchandise to be
left to support their families. Left ship
off at 8 P.M. S.E. W. and made all
sail

Tuesday Dec. 26th 1871

all day strong S.E. trades and clear weather
Ship steering S.E. W. with all sail on
beard and set foretopmast studd sail.

Wednesday Dec. 27th 1871

all day strong S.E. trades and clear weather ship
steering S.E. W. with all sail on - nothing in
sight all day - employed in painting Boat &c.

Lat 10. 15' N.
Long 25 31 W.

Bound To The South Atlantic

Thursday Dec. 28th 1871

all day strong S.E. trades and clear weather
Ship steering S.E. W. with all sail and
employed in painting boat and doing other work
about ship - One sail in sight in the
P.M. steering to the S.W.

Lat at merid 7. 15' N.
Long by Chron 25. 41 W.

Friday Dec. 29th 1871

all day light baffling winds with showers of
rain Ship steering S.E. W. with all sail
out nothing in sight all day.
are new gear in the ~~studd~~ dalc drums

Lat at merid 4. 44

Saturday Dec. 30th 1871

all day light baffling winds and heavy
showers of rain - Ship steering S.E. W. per
compass with all sail out. - nothing in sight
all day - employed in setting Port side of
main rigging.

Lat at merid 2. 40

Sunday Dec. 31st 1871

all day light baffling winds from the S.E. to
S.E. and S. with showers of rain - nothing
in sight all day. - Watch enjoying the Sabbath.

Lat at merid 1. 47 N.

Monday Jan. 1st 1872

comes in with light baffling winds from the
S and S.E. and heavy squalls of rain. Ship
working to the S.E. W. with all sail but fore top
mast studd sail set. watch employed in
turning up and setting up main rigging - nothing
in sight but junks

Lat at merid 45 N.