

Stark Comelia of New Bedford off Bassas de India Mozambique

Wednesday November 28th 1849

Small breezes and fine clear weather

P.M. mended the ser vice on the main and fore topmast
2 gallon backstays and sent them a lift and
set them up. A.M. at work in the rigging

Thursday November 29th 49

First of these 24 hours small breezes last part fresh
P.M. Steeped the main topmast rigging on the larboard
side & A.M. satting down the main top mast rigging
at 9 A.M. reefed the topsails at 11 Shook out the reef

Friday November 30th 49

Small breezes and calms with cloudy weather

P.M. quilled a new line line for the larboard boat
and mending the chafing gear & A.M. a little of
every thing and a great deal of nothing

Saturday December 1st 49

Small breezes and calms

P.M. quilled a new line at work on the
whaling apparatuses & A.M. at work in
the rigging

Sunday December 2nd 49

Small breezes and calms cloudy with showers

P.M. at 2 raised the Island of Bassas
de India came up with the island just at
sun down and went on shore to
look for turtle but without success
A.M. went on shore to cut wood

Monday December 3rd 49

Small breezes and cloudy weather

At 10 A.M. brought up 3 turtle and one
cub and had but little success

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December 3rd Concluded Brought off two

boat loads of wood & A.M. broke out for
beef pork oil sugar molasses rice vinegar
at 8 lowered the boat and went on shore
to cut wood

Tuesday December 4th 49

Small breezes and fine clear weather

P.M. got 5 boat loads of wood from
shore & A.M. cut up the 5 boat loads of
wood and stowed it in the hold twice
the boat and went away a shore
to cut more wood

Wednesday December 5th

Small breezes and cloudy

P.M. the second mate went a shore and
got 4 turtles also got 3 boat loads of
wood & A.M. cut up the wood and stowed
it in the run and stowed about ten
barrels of oil in the run

Thursday December 6th 49

Small breezes and cloudy weather Wind South
P.M. but little doing & A.M. trifling jobs

Friday December 7th 49

Small breezes and fine clear weather

P.M. a little of everything and a good deal
of nothing & A.M. raised sperm whales and
lowered but soon came on board without
success and soon lowered for them
again Saturday Dec 8th 49

P.M. came on board without success & A.M. but
little doing Handed the main course and
single reefed the topsails