

Barth Samuel Hooper - Cruising

Sunday May 27th 1877

Comes in with strong gales from the N.W. and squally weather. Ship by the wind to the N and N.W. under lower main top sail and fore and main staysails - water green all day at 7 P.M. were ship heading N 8° W under the same sail - Nothing in sight all day excepting a few birds
Lat at Merd 49° 36' Long 23° 05'

Monday May 28th 1877

Comes in with strong gales from the N.W. and squally weather. Ship steering to the S.E. per compass with whole top sails water green all day. Then two sails in sight both steering to the E. at 10 A.M. hauled ship up on the wind to the S and W. Saw but a few birds all day - all the P.M. all sails but Gaff topsails Mizz. Mast Main top Gaff Star sails
Lat 49° 03' Long 22° 00' W.

Tuesday May 29th 1877

Comes in with moderate breezes from the N. and squally weather. Ship by the wind to the S.W. W. with all sails out. One sail in sight steering to the W. water in the A.M. green in the P.M. blue. Saw a few birds and three or four Sunfish but no porpoises or Finbacks or Humpbacks
Lat at Merd 47° 54' Long 22° 50' W.

Wednesday May 30th 1877

Comes in with moderate breezes from the N. and cloudy squally weather. Ship by the wind to the W and N.W. with all prudent sail out. Nothing in sight but two finbacks and two sails both steering to the W. at 4 P.M. strong breezes with squalls & rain
Lat at Merd 47° 32' Long 23° 39'

Thursday May 31st 1877

Comes in with strong breezes from the N.W. and quite clear weather. Ship by the wind to the N.E. W. with all prudent sail out. Wind all day easterly from N to S.W. except the jib for repairs at sunset heading S 3° E. Two sails in sight
Lat 47° 45' Long 23° 27' W.

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Friday June 1st 1877

Comes in with strong gales from the N and N.W. and squalls of rain. Ship steering to the N and N.E. with all prudent sail out but mostly under storm sails. Saw through the two quarter number of birds and two schools of porpoises and one shark. water quite green all day. Two sails in sight both steering to the E. at sunset blowing heavy.
Lat 49° 07' Long 23° 04'

Saturday June 2nd 1877

Comes in with strong gales from N.W. and squally weather. Ship by the wind with all prudent sail out to the N.E. N.W. at 10 A.M. quite clear and undisturbed. Made sail on the ship at 12 M all sail on at 4 came on rain with the wind in squalls from the N. at sunset squally weather. Saw but one sail through the fog. Several birds and one shark
Lat 50° 04' Long 23° 45' W.

Sunday June 3rd 1877

Comes in with strong gales from the N.W. and very squally weather. Ship by the wind to the N.W. under all sails. Water green all day with some birds and two schools of porpoises and one Finback
Lat 50° 34' Long 24° 30'

Monday June 4th 1877

Comes in with a gale of wind from N.W. and heavy squalls of rain and hail. Ship by the wind to the N.W. with all prudent sail out but nothing excepting storm sails. Water all day rather green. Saw five birds all day. Some gulls and some S. terns and two schools of porpoises. Ship under lower main top sail, fore top mast and Mizzen staysails all day. Blowing heavy with a very high sea on. One sail in sight steering to the E.
Lat 52° 00' Long 24° 11' W.

Tuesday June 5th 1877

Comes in with a gale of wind from N.W. blowing quite heavy all day with heavy squalls of rain and hail. Ship by the wind to the N.W. with small sail on at 8 A.M. set lower fore top sail - water changing. No porpoises and but a few birds but 52° 41' Long 24° 52' W.