

Remarks On Board Barb Desdemona 1867

Tuesday May 7th Commenced with strong breezes from the S.E. at daylight made sail and kept her away west at 6 P.M. wind increasing double reefed the topsails at midnight moderate out reef and set main top gallant sail

Lat 14.40

Long 62.01 E

Wednesday May 8th Strong trade steering west 4 P.M. luffed to the wind heading South

Lat 19.75 South

Long 59.36 E

Thursday May 9th Strong breezes heading South under double reefed topsails at 4 P.M. squared the yards and kept her North

Friday May 10th Strong breezes and squally weather steering North

Lat 17.30 South

Long 58.02 East

Saturday May 11th Strong breezes steering N.E. & saw sail steering South employed in washing ship

Lat 15.30 S

Long 57.52 E

Sunday May 12th Commenced with fine weather steering N.E. at sun set luffed to the wind heading Northeast

Lat 12.55 S

Long 58.76 E

Monday May 13th fine weather with light breezes steering N.E. & employed in the rigging Lat 11.40 S

Long 59.11 E

Tuesday May 14th light breezes and fine weather steering N.E. employed in breaking out main top sail later fine weather sent down the main top sail and kept the old one at sunset took in sail

Lat 9.45 S

Long 60.00 E

Wednesday May 15th light breeze and fine weather saw ship 4 miles calling a whale employed in mending main top sail later fine weather at sunset took in sail

Lat 7.50 S Long 59.55 E

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Remarks On Board Thursday May 16th 1867

light breezes and fine weather employed in the rigging later the same with light breezes and fine weather at sunset took in sail

Lat 10.00 S

Long 60.12 E

Friday May 17th light breezes and fine weather at daylight made all sail heading North east employed in cleaning iron work

Lat 7.50 South

Long 60.20 East

Saturday May 18th Commenced with strong breezes from the South east employed in cleaning iron work later at sun set saw 2 sperm whales going to the South towards 200 fathoms and gave chase did not succeed in striking

Lat 1.40 South

Long 60.00 East

Sunday May 19th light breezes and fine weather heading to the westward at sunset took in sail Lat 7.40

Long 60.15

Monday May 20th fine weather and light breeze employed in mending foretop sail saw ship steering to the west at sunset took in sail Lat 10.20 South

Long 60.12 East

Tuesday May 21th Commenced with fine weather at daylight made sail employed in mending foretop sail later fine weather finished foretop sail and sent it sunset took in sail

Wednesday May 22th light breezes and fine weather employed in cleaning iron work later the same saw ship 100 yards on 100 bars sperm

Thursday May 23th Commenced with strong breezes heading to the east employed in cleaning iron work later the same at sunset took in sail

Lat 7.40 South

Long 60.12 East

Friday May 24th light breezes and fine weather heading to the east employed in cleaning iron work later the same at 4 P.M. hauled aboard in fourteen fathoms water and caught a man of war