

Bark Draco of New Bedford

Thursday Dec 9th 1847

Mid port continues huppling winds
at 8 AM took a fresh gale from NW
at 11 a very heavy sea bore too heading
to the N bent a new Fore spencer
110 Lat 38 56 S Long 45 10 E

Friday Dec 10th 1847

Begins with a hard gale from the NW
at 2 PM the wind hauled to WSW steered
SE & more moderate the troubles of
a sailor but God is good to us keeps
us safe through storms and dangers
latter calm saw Black fish lowered
without effect Lat 38 19 S Long 46 35
111

Saturday Dec 11th 1847

Begins with a light breeze from the
NW and clear steering SE & saw
a Brig steering E Mid and latter
the same Lat 38 38 S Long 49 55 E
112

Sunday Dec 12th 1847

Begins with gentle breezes from NW
SE saw 1 sail Mid port wind SW and
raining latter wind S saw 2 sails
No Lat by Obs Long by Chron 52 55 E
113

Monday Dec 13th 1847

Begins with fresh breezes from SE and
some rain at 7 PM backed to the S
Mid port the same latter strong
gales from the N and raining
No Lat Long 56 00 E
114

Bound to New Holland

Wednesday Dec 15th 1847

Begins with a heavy gale from the NW
and raining laying too heading to the
NE Bar 28.5 at 4 PM took our
Boats in and steered SE & wind
NW began to clear up Mid and
latter continues the same a heavy
sea but the ship runs well
116 Lat 38 42 S Long 60 00 E

Thursday Dec 16th 1847

all these 21 hours fresh breezes
from the W steering SE
117 Lat 38 22 S Long 63 40

Friday Dec 17th 1847

Begins with gentle breezes from
WSW steering SE & at 4 PM
saw 1 light whales lowered without
success Mid and latter ports the
same saw 1 sail Lat 38 29 S Long 65 55
118

Saturday Dec 18th 1847

Begins with gentle breezes from
the WSW and clear steering SE &
employed in fitting new Boat
Mid port the same latter calm
119 Lat 38 36 S Long 68 30 E

Sunday Dec 19th 1847

Begins calm latter light breezes from
the NW steering SE & Lat 38 53 S Long 67 50
120

Monday Dec 21st 1847

Begins with fine breezes from the NW
saw 2 light whales lowered struck and
killed them both one sunk took the
other to the ship and cut him in mid and
latter boiling Lat 38 44 S Long 73 25
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