

Bark Drace of New Bedford

Saturday July 6th 1850

The last four days strong gales blowing
 N^e saw an abundance of fin backs but
 no whales the cruise is almost over and
 but little oil odor odor So ends
 Lat 20 54 S Long 109 30 E

Tuesday July 9th 1850

Continues strong gales and no whales the ship
 takes some and home for away Lat 18 50 S Long 110 E

Thursday July 11th 1850

all this day strong gales from ESE latter steered
 to the west for Mauritius bent a new Fore sail
 & jib & god grant us some more oil before we
 get to port Lat 17 37 S Long 109 41 E

Saturday July 13th 1850

All this day gentle trades steering N^e per
 employed in mending new sails & mending
 new rigging Lat 17 18 S Long 105 55 E

Monday July 15th 1850

all this day fine weather set all the
 steering sails saw fin backs no whales it is
 hard to start with no more oil have stowed
 down 1425 Bbls sp. stow to get some more
 Lat 17 31 S Long 102 20 E thro 109 36 E

Wednesday July 17th 1850

all this day gentle trades steering N^e employed
 in repairing old sails Lat 18 38 Long 97 10 E

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Thursday July 18th 1850

all this day fresh trades steering N^e latter
 saw a large whale going S^e quick down Weather
 without effect Lat 18 15 S Long 95 10 E

for Mauritius

Friday July 19th 1850

First strong trades latter light & cloudy
 Lat 19 02 Long 82 40 E

Sunday July 21st 1850

All this day strong trades and some
 squally Lat 18 26 S Long 89 20 E

Wednesday July 24th 1850

The last three days fresh trades and
 some squally steering N^e saw fin backs & U
 Lat 18 31 S Long 80 35

Saturday July 27th 1850

The last two days blowing a strong
 gale from the S^e running under double
 & close reefed top sails saw one sail
 Lat 18 56 S Long 71 35

Sunday July 28th 1850

All this day strong gales & the troubles of
 sailors had some trouble with them drove
 them forward with a club they wish to be
 master and I cannot allow that god grant
 that I may live to be clear of them they know
 not what is good for themselves

Lat 19 12 Long 69 12 E

Tuesday July 30th 1850

All this fresh trades and squally at 8 am
 saw the Island of Rodriguez to the N^W
 Dist 35 miles at Mer-having N^W Dist
 15 miles Lat 19 54 S Long 63 30 E

Found the chronometer has lost time of late
 is now 4' 20" slow