

Bark Draca, of New Bedford

Sunday, Feb. the 20th 1853

32. Begins with fresh breeze from S.W. heading S.W. & S. Smoky weather & a head sea. Middle & latter part moderate breeze & variable southerly the same. Made sail. Lat. 34. 35. N. Long. 104. 20. E

Variation, 13° West

Monday, Feb. the 21st 1853

33. Begins with moderate breeze from S.W. heading S.W. & S. Smoky weather, at sunset, tacked to the S.W. Middle part light air & variable, latter part tacked to the S.W. the cooper employed in setting up shooks for water, if we ever get where there is any. Lat. 34. 50. N. Long. 104. 40. E

Tuesday, Feb. the 22nd 1853

34. Begins with light breeze from S.W. heading S. & S.W. Smoky weather, at sunset, tacked to the S.W. Middle & latter part light breeze & variable, southerly much the same. With fog banks. Lat. 34. 38. N. Long. 105. 20. E

Saw one sail.

Wednesday, Feb. the 23rd 1853

35. Begins with moderate breeze from the S. heading S.W. One sail in sight. Middle part fresh breeze & variable, southerly the same. Latter part light breeze & variable, with fog squalls. Lat. 34. 34. N. Long. 107. 00. E

Variation 11° West

Thursday, Feb. the 24th 1853

36. Begins with light breeze from S.W. heading S. & S.W. with fog squalls. Middle part fresh breeze heading S. & S.W. latter part strong breeze, took in top galls. sail & fly jib. heading S.W. Lat. 34. 29. N. Long. 108. 40. E

Towards New Holland February 1853.

Friday Feb. the 25th 1853

37. Begins with strong breeze from S.W. heading S.W. & S. at 4. people reefed the fore top sail. Middle & latter part fresh breeze & variable from S.W. to S. Made sail. Lat. 34. 15. N. Long. 109. 52. E

Saw one sail.

Saturday, Feb. the 26th 1853

38. Begins with fresh breeze from S.W. heading S. at 3. tacked to the S.W. Middle part more moderate, heading S.W. & S. latter part light breeze from the S. tacked to the S.W. one sail to the S. Lat. 34. 48. N. Long. 110. 02. E

Variation, 8° West

Sunday, Feb. the 27th 1853

39. Begins with light breeze from S.W. steering S.W. at 1. set the fore top mast steering sail. Middle part moderate steering S.W. & S. latter part strong gale from N.W. saw one sail heading to the Westward, supposed it to be a steamship. Lat. 34. 35. N. Long. 112. 25. E

Saw one sail.

Monday Feb. the 28th 1853

40. Begins with strong gale from N.W. steering S.W. Middle & latter part, heavy squalls with a heavy sea took in the main sail & blew reefed the top sails. Lat. 35. 42. N. Long. 116. 00. E

Tuesday, March the 1st 1853

41. Begins with strong gale from N.W. with heavy squalls, steering S.W. & under a blow reefed main top sail & fore sail with a heavy sea. at 4 took in the fore sail & main top sail, & brought the ship to the wind, heading S.W. Middle more moderate, kept up S.W. & made sail. at day light saw the land, wind S. at 12. then passed the Pelje Islands at 3. came to anchor in St. George's Sound, in 8 fathoms of water.