

Back Draw of New Bedford.

Monday Oct. the 17th 1853.

Begins with calm weather Middle & latter part light breeze from the N.W. steering S.W. at 12. Pres. Cloudy. Lat. 31. 29. S. Long. 108. 50. W.

Tuesday Oct. the 18th 1853.

Begins with light breeze from S.W. heading S.W. Middle & latter part strong gale from the S. & Cloudy. S.W. under close reefed top sails & spencers, gave one sail steering S.W. so ends.

Same one sail

Wednesday Oct. the 19th 1853.

Begins with strong gale from the heading S.W. under close reefed top sail fore sail & spencers. Middle part decreased to the N.W. latter part more moderate made with heading S.W. by S. saw a big steering N.W. so ends.

Long one sail

Lat. by 6h. 29. 37. S. Long. by 6h. 109. 50. W.

Thursday Oct. the 20th 1853.

Begins with fresh breeze from the S.W. heading S.W. by S. Middle part moderate latter part light air from the S.W. heading S.W. with a heavy S.W. swell. so ends.

Heavy S.W. swell.

Friday Oct. the 21st 1853.

Begins with light breeze from S.W. heading S.W. with a heavy S.W. swell. Middle part heading from S.W. to S. latter part from S.W. to S. wind S.W. by S. so ends.

Lat. by 6h. 30. 42. S. Long. by 6h. 109. 48. W.

Cruising off the West Coast of New Holland. Oct. 1853.

Saturday Oct. the 22nd 1853.

Begins with light breeze from S.W. heading S. Middle part fresh breeze, latter part moderate at 4. saw sperm whales lowered the boat, struck off in whale, dropped & put from three, at 2. to the third whale to the ship. Lat. 31. 28. S. Long. 109. 49. E.

S.W. 15 lbs. 25 lbs. 50 lbs. 52

Sunday Oct. the 23rd 1853.

Begins with light breeze from the S.W. heading S.W. at 12. began to bat. but in one whale. Middle part clearing up the ship light rain. latter part all hands employed in butting. wind variable.

Lat. 31. 30. S. Long. 109. 46. E.

same one sail.

Monday Oct. the 24th 1853.

Begins with moderate breeze from the S. finished butting at 6. kept off S.W. under short sail. boiling & clear. Middle part strong breeze latter part hard gale with light rain. at 8. put out the fire, & took in the main top sail & fore sail & brought the ship to the wind. saw one sail.

Tuesday Oct. the 25th 1853.

Begins with strong gale & clear. put the main top sail & fore sail & kept off S.W. & began to hoist again. at 6. finished the & put out the fire steering S.W. by S. with a heavy rain. at 12. more moderate began to hoist the body. breeze variable so ends.

Lat. by 6h. 33. 42. S. Long. by 6h. 110. 00. E.

Wednesday Oct. the 26th 1853.

Begins with strong gale from the S.W. steering S.W. by S. hoisting with a heavy swell, gelling. Middle & latter part more moderate wind N.W. heading S.W. by the wind so ends.

Lat. by 6h. 36. 50. S. Long. by 6h. 110. 23. E.