

Bark Draco of New Bedford

Variation 27° 4' N.

44. Saturday Dec. the 26th /53
Begins with moderate breezes from S.W. steering N. with studding sails set below & aloft. Latter part strong gale took in the studding sails & sent down the main. Royal yard. so bad.
Lat. by Obs. 31. 33. S
Long by Obs. 34. 30 E.

45. Sunday Dec. the 27th /53.
Begins with strong breezes from the S.W. steering N. set the fore top mast & studding sails. Middle part variable & squally from S.W. to S.W. thick cloudy weather with thunder & lightning took in the studding sails & top gall sails. Latter part strong breeze from the S.W. heading N.W. thick. Smoky weather, set the main top gall sails.
Lat. by Obs. 32. 01. S
Long by Obs. 32. 54 E.
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46. Monday Dec. the 28th /53.
Begins with strong breezes from S.W. heading N. Middle part moderate from the S. latter part from S.W. steering N. set studding below & aloft sent up the main Royal yard. so bad. with fine weather.
Lat. by Obs. 32. 41. S
Variation 30° 4' N. Long by Obs. 31. 12 E.

47. Tuesday Dec. the 29th /53.
Begins with light breezes from the S. steering N.W. with studding sails set below & aloft. Middle part strong breezes from S.W. latter part light breeze & variable took in studding sails. Two sails in sight.
Lat. by Obs. 34. 02. S
Long by Obs. 28. 58 E.

Towards the Cape off Good Hope

Wednesday Dec. the 28th /53

48. Begins with fresh breezes from N.W. heading N. Middle part light breezes from N.W. heading N. Latter part N.W. & S.W. saw an Egyptian Ship heading to the S.W.
Lat. by Obs. 34. 49. S
Long by Obs. 28. 00 E.
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49. Thursday Dec. the 29th /53
Begins with light breezes from N.W. heading N. Middle part light breezes from N.W. & N.W. heading N. & S.W. Latter part fresh breezes from S.W. & N.W. heading N.W. & S.W. one sail in sight.
Lat. by Obs. 34. 45. S
Long by Obs. 26. 15 E.

Friday Dec the 30th /53
50. Begins with light breezes and cloudy smoky weather from W.S.W. Middle part light breezes. Latter part fresh breezes from N.W. steering W.S.W. 3 sails in sight.
Lat. by Obs. 35. 15 S.
Variation 30° W. Long by Obs. 24. 15 E.

Saturday Dec the 31st /53
51. Commences with strong breezes from the N.W. steering W.S.W. Middle part strong gales heading to the S.W. Latter part strong gales and squally with shower of rain heading to the S.W. 2 sails in sight.
Lat. by Obs. 36. 18 S.
Long by Obs. 23. 40 E.

Sunday January 1st 1854
52. Commences with strong breezes from the W.S.W. heading to the N.W. Middle part moderate breezes from W.S.W. steering N.W. Latter part light breezes heading N.W. saw 2 strange sails.
Lat. by Obs. 36. 07 S.
Variation 28° W. Long by Obs. 21. 55 E.