

Back Draco of New Bedford 1854

Thursday February 16th/54

*First part of this day moderate trades steering N.
Middle part heading to the Eastward under short sail
Latter part fresh trades steering N. by W. 3 sails in sight*

*Latt by Obs 16. 05 S.
Long by Chron 4. 07 W*

Friday February 17th/54

*Beginning fresh trades at 1 P.M. were ship to the S.W.
Middle part moderate heading to the S.W. under short
sail Latter part moderate steering N.W. & N. at 8 A.M.
Saw St. Helena bearing N.W. by N. Distance 75 Miles*

*Latt by Obs 16. 44 S.
Variation 20° W. Long by Chron 4. 41 W.*

Saturday February 18th/54

*Continuing moderate trades steering S.W. Middle
part fresh trades under short sail heading to the
Eastward. Latter part fresh trades heading N.E.
St. Helena and 2 or 3 vessels in sight*

*Latt by Obs 16. 20 S.
Long by Chron 4. 50 W*

Sunday February 19th/54

*Fresh trades the first part of this day heading to
the E.N.E. Middle part shortened sail heading to
the Eastward. Latter part fresh trades 6 A.M. tack
to the S.W. Latter part fresh trades heading to the S.W.
Several vessels and St. Helena in sight.*

*Latt by Obs 16. 00 S.
Variation 20° W. Long by Chron 4. 56 W.
The Chron is about 22 miles to the E.*

Cruising Near St. Helena

Monday February 20th/54

*First part fresh trades heading S.W. by S. Middle part
heading to the S.W. Latter part fresh breezy heading to
the Eastward St. Helena in sight*

*Latt by Obs 16. 30 S.
Variation 20° W. Long by Chron 5. 10 W.*

Tuesday Feb 21st/54

*Beginning with moderate breezy heading to the S.E.
Middle part light trades steering for the Isle of St. Helena
Bent the chain &c. Latter part light trades at 8 A.M.
Came to anchor off James Town St. Helena in 25
fathoms water and fished the sails & or 5 Whales in
port and as many English Merchantmen. So E.
Lying at anchor in St. Helena*

Wednesday Feb 22d/54

*Moderate trades the first part of this day. Middle
and Latter part much the same Lying at anchor
in St. Helena So Ends*

Thursday Feb 23d/54

*First part fine weather took on Board a few bottles
some Peaches and Peas. Middle and Latter fine weather
at 7 P.M. took the anchor at port to Sea. Steering
N.W. by N. at Meridian the Sch bore S.E. by S. Dist 25 Miles*

*Latt by Obs 15. 42 S.
Variation 18° W. Long by Chron 5. 50 W.*

Friday Feb 24th/54

*First part light trades steering N.W. by N. and
cloudy. Middle part moderate trades and rainy steering
N.W. by N. Latter part moderate and pleasant steering
N.W. by N. One vessel in sight So Ends*

*Latt by Obs 14. 38 S.
Long by Chron 7. 25 W.*