

Ship's Journal

Foggy weather. Latter part of the day at daylight called all hands and made sail. Broke out the main hole and showed down oil. Nothing in sight except birds. So ends this day. Lat Long

Thursday Jan 6th 1853
This day came in with light winds from the N. E. Ship heading in to the N. W. all hands employed in stowing down oil at 4.0 o'clock got through and washed of decks. At sundown took in the fore & main top sail and top gallant sails and set the watch boats crew. Midst part of day wind from the N. ship heading S. E. at day light call all hands and made sail and wash off decks. So ends this day. Lat Long

Friday 7 1853
The day begins with strong wind from W. Ship heading by the wind. Watch employed in ship duty at 6 o'clock. Day breaks at sundown took in the fore and main top sail fore sail and got and set the fore & main. Midst part of day wind from W. N. W. ship heading N. at daylight call all hands and made sail. Watch employed in ship duty. Nothing in sight. So ends the day. Lat Long

Saturday 8 1853
This day comes in with strong wind from the N. W. ship heading by the wind. On the Southern board watch employed in breaking out water and soap at sundown took in sail and set boats crew watches. Midst part of day wind from W. at day light call all hands and made sail. Same as before. Got the boats ready but from the fog could see hardly of.

On New Year's day 1853
Various kind souther ship stowing S. E. C.
So ends this day. Lat Long

Sunday 9 1853
This day commences with moderate breeze from the N. E. ship stowing S. E. C. at sundown. Midst part strong wind and squally weather. Latter part a gale from the N. W. ship laying to under close reef main top sail for topmast staysail. So ends Lat 34.00 Long 113.00

Monday Jan 10
This day commences with a heavy gale of wind from the N. W. and continued until the latter part of the day with frequent showers of rain. Latter the wind lulled and it set in foggy haze and fine back sulphur bottom. This day the 1st mate W. B. 3rd mate had a quarrell. So ends Lat 34.00 Long 113.00

Tuesday Jan 11
Commences with calm and light wind from the N. E. Watch employed in ship duty at sundown. Took in sail and moved to the West. at day light made all sail, weather thick and foggy with showers of rain. Double reefed the top sail to under. So ends

Wednesday January 12 1853
This day the weather continued thick and foggy until sundown when it cleared up each in sail steering S. E. W. wind N. W. Nothing in sight. Midst part light wind at day light call all hands and made sail altered the course to S. W. spoke the Independent of Sydney. So ends this day. Lat Long