

Remarks On Board the Ship Erie of Fairhaven

Sunday April 3rd A.D. 1853

First part light air from N.E. and very pleasant weather. Steering S.E. & S. all possible sail set of the fore & main. Hernandez bearing N. 20° E. 28 miles. Middle part fine breeze at N.E. & W. and fine weather steering S.E. lost sight of the land. Latter part fresh breeze from N.E. & cloudy weather steering S.E. & S. all possible sail set. Saw 2 ram-fish. caught 2 ram-fish. The watch engaged in striking the ship. Thus ends this day. No Ob.

Monday April 4th 1853

First part fine wind from N.E. & cloudy steering S.E. & S. all sail set. Saw a fin back. The watch engaged in washing ship and 2. Middle part fresh breeze from E. & W. steering by the wind to the South all sail set. Latter part fine breeze at E. & S. and clear weather steering S.E. & S. of the wind. Saw nothing. The watch engaged in mending down the main top sail and repairing it. Thus ends this day. Spent of Chas. 37.11.0. Long of Chas. 77.34.0.

Tuesday April 5th 1853.

First part fresh wind from E. & S. and clear weather steering by the wind to the S.E. & S. all sail set. Saw nothing repaired and had the main top sail. Middle and latter part fresh breeze at East the ship on different tack saw nothing. The watch engaged in mending the fore sail. Thus ends this day. Spent of Chas. 37.13.0. Long of Chas. 76.41.0.

Wednesday April 6th 1853.

First part light breeze from E. & S. and clear steering by the wind to the S.E. & S. at 4 P.M. saw a school of blackfish. had a took 3 small ones. Middle part wind came to N.E. & light air steering S.E. & S. all sail set. Latter part wind came to S.E. & W. & fine breeze and smooth water clear weather saw a school of blackfish nothing more. The watch engaged in mending the blubber preparatory to boil. Thus ends this day. Spent of Chas. 37.16.0. Long of Chas. 75.14.0.

While on the Coast Island of Chili bound in April 1853

Thursday April 7th A.D. 1853

First part fresh breeze at N.E. & W. and clear weather steering S.E. & S. Saw nothing the watch employ in picking blackfish. 2. setting up pipes. blackfish made 3 holes. Middle part strong wind from N.E. & W. ship under short sail heading by the wind on little tack. Saw nothing. Latter part fresh breeze from N.E. & W. and strong the fog light up steering S.E. & S. the light sails in saw nothing. Thus ends this day. Spent of Chas. 36.55.0. Long of Chas. 74.14.0.

Friday April 8th A.D. 1853

First part fresh breeze from N.E. & W. and clear weather steering S.E. & S. all sail set. Saw nothing. The watch engaged in getting the anchors on the bows and at 7 A.M. hauled up to N.E. of the wind. Middle part fresh breeze from N.E. & S. and pleasant ship. began to head N.E. & W. all sail. Latter part at 4 A.M. hauled up to East all sail and by 12 A.M. made the land the Is. of St. Mary & bearing S.E. & E. Star S.E. & S. all possible sail set. Thus ends this day. Spent of Chas. 36.47.0. Long of Chas. 73.5.0. S. of St. Mary.

Saturday April 9th 1853

First part light air and thick fog ship heading N.E. & S. of the wind at 3 P.M. took to N. and the cables and got the anchor up to the bows the fog so thick that we cannot see 2 ship lengths. Middle part fresh breeze from N.E. & S. and thick fog. Ship on the Stern tack all sail set. Latter part fresh breeze from N.E. & W. and fog at 9 A.M. fog light up and were ship to N.E. ship going 6 knots the watch engaged in ship's duties. Saw gam of Humphreys brooking white water at 12. mer made the land bearing Eastward. Thus ends this day. Spent of Chas. 36.34.0. Long of Chas. 73.40.0.