

Ship Essex of Bristol R. L. Cruising on

Saturday
Dec 29
Comm with strong breeze from S. E. & B. S.
Rainy light airs through the night at daylight
made all sail latter part calm

Latt B. Ob. 39:08

Sunday
Dec 30
Comm with light airs from S. E. steering
W. S. W. at 4 P. M. saw Blackfish lowered and
caught one he hoisted him in at sunset took in the
top gallantsails jib spanker M. sail & steered W. S. W.
H. S. E. & S. E. whole part light breeze at daylight made
all sail steered West saw several finbacks
so ends light breeze Latt B. Ob. 39:24

Monday
Dec 31
Comm with light breeze from the North steering
West at 2 P. M. saw Whales lowered and raised
to no purpose he returned on board and left off
course at 4 P. M. took in the fore and main topgalla
ntsails light breeze through the night at daylight
made all sails at 6 A. M. saw Whales lowered going
to fast so ends Latt B. Ob. 39:25

Tuesday
Dec 1
Comm with strong breeze from W. S. W. standing
to the S. W. at 3 P. M. saw a sail at sunset took
in the topsails the fore sail & lay by whole part
Rainy at daylight made sail at 8 A. M. saw Whales
lowered got fast at 11 turned up employed in
towing the whale down he working the ship up
with a light breeze Latt B. Ob. 39:39

Wednesday
Dec 2
Comm with light breeze from the W. S. W.
at 1 P. M. took him alongside at 2 commenced
cutting at 9 finished he took in sail & Rainy at 3 P. M.
took in the maintopsail strong gales and Rainy
from the S. W. latter part light breeze & Rainy
W. S. W.

Thursday
Dec 3
Comm with light breeze from the W. S. W. & S. W. however
employed in clearing the head at 4 cleared up set the
maintopsail the ship he commenced hoisting whole
part calm & foggy latter part so so ends
Latt B. Ob. 39:42

the Halse Bank William Mather Master 1828

Friday
Dec 4
Comm with light breeze from the S. E. & S. W.
employed in hoisting at 1 P. M. set the jib & spanker
at 6 A. M. saw Whales lowered going to fast returned on
board at 1 took in the jib and spanker he rose
ship whole part strong breeze and Rainy at 1 P. M.
lowered down the masts at 5 cleared up and
commenced hoisting at 8 A. M. made sail latter part
light breeze employed in breaking out the after
hold at 11 A. M. finished hoisting

Latt B. Ob. 39:44

Saturday
Dec 5
Comm with strong breeze and squally
employed in stowing down at 2 P. M. took in the
topsails jib and spanker whole part strong gales
at 5 P. M. set the topsails close reefed employed in
stowing of the hold so ends with strong
gales Latt B. Ob. 39:06

Sunday
Dec 6
Comm with strong gales and squally Wind West
at 1 P. M. took in the fore and main topsail and
close reefed the main strong gales through the
night latter part so at midnight took in the
fore sail and topmast staysail

Latt B. Ob. 38:22

Monday
Dec 7
Comm with strong gales from the W. S. W.
at 6 P. M. wore ship he stood to the S. E. and set the
fore sail & staysail whole part more moderate at 5 P. M.
set the fore and main topsails close reefed at 10
took in the fore and main topsails so ends
with strong gales Latt B. Ob. 38:54

Tuesday
Dec 8
Comm with strong gales from the S. E. & S. W.
at 1 P. M. took in the fore sail & staysail at 3 P. M.
turned up the Le Boats he a heavy gale from
the North attended with Rain midnight moderate
at 5 set the fore sail staysail fore and main topsails
at 11 A. M. took in the fore and main topsails so
ends with strong gales Latt B. Ob. 39:40