

Remarks of a whaling voyage on

Wednesday Nov 30th

1887

Begins with a heavy gale from the N.N.E. with frequent squalls of wind and rain.

Brig on the starboard tack with no other sail than the Main try sail set.

Latter part wind increases. squalls continue same as before. Pumps carefully attended to every two hours. Leaking over two hundred strokes an hour Frank McArthur and Charles Briggs still off duty sick so ends this day.

Lat 31° 06' N
Long 72° 02' W

Thursday Dec 1st 1887

Gale still continues from the N.N.E. At 9 o'clock a.m. Ship heeled a heavy sea on the Starboard quarter, carrying away the Starboard Boat, and badly damaging the Starboard lance and Swail boat and washing the third Mate overboard. The third mate was helped on board with no other injury than a bruised leg. At 9³⁰ a.m. took in the Main try sail and wore ship and steered S.W. until 5 p.m. then shifted to on the Starboard tack.

Board Brig E.H. Adams W.A. Martin
MasterDec 1st

Repeated seas striking the stern Boat. Broke the stern completely off. At 6 p.m. put the waist a drift so badly stove as to be useless unless.

Galley capsized by a sea and other damage done. Pumps carefully attended to every hour. To end this day Lat 31° 01' N
Long 70° 00' W

Dec 2nd

Gale still continues from N.N.E. At 7.30 a.m. kept off West set the fore top mast stay sail main stay sail and fore sail. Wind somewhat more moderate towards the latter part, same three men off duty sick. Pumps attended to. To end this day
Lat 30° 48' N
Long 73° 58' W

Dec 3rd

Moderate breeze from N.N.E. Course W.N.W. At 6.30 a.m. set the fore topsail gill flying jib fore top tant sail. Watch employed at breaking out the main hold for water, wort, beef, Pork Sugar, Molasses. To end this day
Lat 29° 55' N Long 76° 40' W.