

Tuesday November 27th Commences with light winds & calm and so continues through the day till 4 P.M. when we had a strong breeze from S.W. Ship N.W. by W. Nothing remarkable happened to disturb the monotony of a sea voyage. Saw Whales.

(Lat 32°35"
(Long 74°57")

Wednesday November 28th Commences with strong breezes from S.W. Ship heading N.W. by W. & going along 9 knots. Through the water. Our Carpenter has bid the keel for another Boat. to be done probably about a year from now, if nothing happens to prevent. Nothing new. All hands rather low spirited at the idea of being again on Blue Water. As for myself I have got the regular drops (alias Blues).

(Lat 30°21"
(Long 74°57")

Thursday November 29 Thanksgiving day at home Thursday Commences with strong breezes and fair at that. Ship heading N.W. by W. & going 8 knots. On the strength of our belief that this was the day for Thanksgiving at home, we had a good dinner served up, which to judge by the quantity eaten must have been considered good by all concerned, it consisted of an excellent fresh Roast and Stuffing, with the "fixins" We were thoughtful and risk it at home this day.

(Lat 27°15"
(Long 76°59")

Friday November 30th Commences with strong breezes on our quarter ship heading N.W. by W. and going finely; at the rate we have gone since we left Valparaiso I shall give her 55 days to get to San Francisco and no more. Then hurrah for the back country & the Cold Plains. When we get there I hope & pray I may get a big pile, say 100,000, should I can't get any more, 10,000 will satisfy me, still 500, would be better. I will soon. Nothing remarkable happened this day at least that I heard of or saw.

(Lat 25°42"
(Long 78°57")

Saturday December 1st 1849 first day of winter at home Saturday Commences with strong breezes from S.E. Ship heading N.W. by W. and going along finely at the rate of 7 knots. Saw Conpsies. I suppose the winds we have now are the Trades, at any rate whether they are or not, I don't care so long as they are fair. I hope we may have nothing but fair winds till we make San Francisco Bay. Nothing remarkable happened this 24 hours. Saw the first "Booby" we have seen this passage.

Mind hauled to S.E. by E. (Lat 23°35"
(Long 81°41" - Course N.W. by W. & W

Sunday December 2nd 1849 112 days out 16 weeks. Commences with strong winds from S.E. Ship heading N.W. by W. and going 7 knots. At 9 am wind lulled and she went about 4 knots till noon. Nothing remarkable happened this day. At 2 o'clock P.M. (from below) saw a large school of Black fish all around us, some of them very near. The wind continued very moderate through the day & night. Rather discouraging for Gold Lickers.

(Lat 21°57"
(Long 82°57" Course N.W. by W. & W

Monday December 3rd 1849 Commences with light winds from S.E. & E.E. Ship going 5 knots and heading N.W. by W. & W. wind fair or rather aft. Began to dreg to dreg the rigging fore & aft, preparatory to going into Port. I suppose it will have to all be tarred after it is set up. Well I for one don't care how much they do it, since I don't have to turn to every time the watch is set. Nothing new or strange going on.

D.P.

(Lat 20°22"
(Long 84°50" Course N.W. by W. & W

Tuesday December 4th Commences with light winds from S.E. Ship heading N.W. by W. & W. and going about 6 knots. Towards night the wind breezed and she went 7. I hope it will keep breezing till she goes about 12 knots & then I shall be satisfied. The passage from Valparaiso to the Line seems to be the longest part of the voyage to me. I don't know for what reason. Nothing remarkable happened this day that I heard of or saw.

Rate 6 to 7 knots (Lat about 18°30" Stone Taken
Mind S.E. Course N.W. by W. & W (Long about 86.00 Stone Taken