

Barque Fortune of New Bedford Capt Heathaway

Remarks on Thursday March 6th

Begins with moderate breezes from SE and passing squalls, the ship at 12 with all sail set and comes the same sundown saw one sail watch variously employed about the ship. Sumner is getting better. Well. Continues as usual. Lat by obs 29° 5' South Long by obs 83° 25' West

Remarks on Friday March 7th

These 24 hours got SE fresh and clear weather. At 4 AM by compass watch to work cutting down topmast rigging. Painted the Boat. Go Ends. Lat by act 27° 45' South Long by act 84° 18' West

Remarks on Saturday March 8th

These 24 hours fine breezes and clear weather. At 4 AM with all sail set watch employed in starting fish. Water out of ground tier and filling with salt water. Go Ends. Lat by obs 25° 52' South Long by obs 86° 15' West

Remarks on Saturday March 9th

These 24 hours fresh trades and smoky, hazy weather. At 4 AM with all sail set first part painted. The boat went has got a four on his hand still gives some on it. Lat by obs 23° 52' South Long by obs 87° 28' West

Remarks on Monday March 10th

These 24 hours fresh trades and clear weather. At 4 AM with all sail set to work backing out. Then and coarsing it. Go Ends with all sail set to best advantage. Lat 21° 34' South Long 88° 50' West

Remarks on Tuesday March 11th

Long with fresh trades and fine weather. At 4 AM at 5 PM raised Spume Whales at 4 board their Boats for them. Whist Boat struck one and the other killed him at 9 PM got him along side got disengaged and set the watch for night. Day light called all hands row cutting gear at 8 AM hooked on and went to cutting. Go Ends. Lat by act 21° 15' South Long by act 89° 45' West

Remarks on Wednesday March 12th

Fresh trades and fine weather. All hands employed in cutting. At 9 AM got all in except the head. Later took that in and made sail. At 4 PM. Go Ends. Lat by act 20° 50' South Long by act 89° 25' West

Remarks on Thursday March 13th

These 24 hours fresh trades and light squalls. At 4 AM with top gallant sails set all hands employed in clearing away. At 5 PM started a fire went to boiling at 6 set by watches. Middle and latter boiling boats hand no better. Go Ends. Lat by obs 20° 20' South Long by obs 90° 57' West

Passage out A.D. 1851

Remarks on Friday March 14th

Throughout these 24 hours fresh trades and passing squalls. At 4 AM with top gallant sails set watch employed in boiling. Go Ends invalids no better. Lat by obs 18° 46' South Long by act 92° 5' West

Remarks on Saturday March 15th

All these 24 hours strong trades and squalls. At 4 AM with top gallant sails set watch employed in boiling at 10 PM coiled down latter cleared up and washed off decks, and set the standing sails. Go Ends. Lat by obs 16° 44' South Long by obs 94° 9' West

Remarks on Sunday March 16th

These 24 hours fresh trades and passing squalls. At 4 AM with all sail set invalids about the same. Lat by obs 14° 22' South Long by obs 96° 25' West

Remarks on Monday March 17th

Throughout these 24 hours fresh trades and fine weather. At 4 AM with all sail set latter all hands employed in stowing down oil. Go Ends. Lat by obs 12° 52' South Long by act 98° 35' West

Remarks on Tuesday March 18th

Long with fresh trades and fine weather. At 4 AM with all sail set middle and latter the same latter finished stowing down oil. Sumner some better. Go Ends. Lat by obs 11° 23' South Long by act 99° 23' West

Remarks on Wednesday March 19th

Long with strong trades and clear weather. At 4 AM with all sail set watch employed in washing off the ship in side at 5 PM raised Spume Whales board their Boats. Whist Boat struck two whales the Iron straps parted and lost their the boat went on and dashed did not fasten at dark came aboard we laid aback until 9 PM then the off with under holly top sails at daylight made all sail at 7 AM. At 4 AM with fresh trades. Go Ends. Lat by obs 10° 20' South Long by obs 100° 57' West

Remarks on Thursday March 20th

This day fresh trades and clear weather. At 4 AM with all sail out at 5 PM saw ship. At 4 AM with watch variously employed about the South hand has got well. Go Ends. Lat by obs 8° 36' South Long by obs 102° 52' West

Remarks on Friday March 21st

This day fresh trades well to Eastward. Passing squalls. At 4 AM with all sail out at 6 AM we stood West we bent away top gallant standing sail watch variously employed about the ship. Lat by act 6° 42' South Long by act 105° 12' West