

Barque Fortune of New Bedford Capt Kethaway

Remarks on Friday May 9th

Comm. with moderate breeze from N.W. and clear weather
at 5 AM wind shifted into N.E. then W.S.W. and set studding sails watch employed in
making Spinnaker So Ends

Lat by Obs 33:20 North
Long by Obs 175:45 West

Remarks on Saturday May 10th

Begins with fine breeze from N.W. and clear weather
at 5 AM wind shifted to S.W. and
breed up fresh took in the light sails at 8 AM wore ship
to S.W. wind came to west So Ends with heavy swell from N.W.

Lat by act 33:54 Long by act 176:20 West

Remarks on Sunday May 11th

Comm. with fresh winds from West and cloudy weather
at 8 AM set top gallant sails and top jib middle part cabins daylight sprung
up light breeze from North we set West set studding sails latter

the same So Ends Lat 35:31 Long by Obs 177:25 West

Remarks on Monday May 12th

First part light winds from North and fine weather
at 1 PM wind shifted to S.W. we took in studding sail middle
and latter huffing winds from N.W. took several fine birds and
some porpoises and caught one So Ends

Lat by Obs 35:40 North
Long by Obs 179:41 West

Remarks on Tuesday May 13th

Begins with rather moderate breeze from S.E. and smoky weather
at 1 PM middle part fresh breeze and cloudy took in the studding
sail latter fresh gales and drizzling rain at 4 AM then at 10

Lat by act 36:38 Long by act 178:25 E

Remarks on Wednesday May 14th

Comm. with strong gales from South and drizzling rain
at 5 PM had smart squall took in main & jib
double reefed top sails & headed jib & main sail set the Boats on the upper
cranes there is bad sea running at 10 PM gale abated wind came to
to S.W. latter fresh breeze and thick weather set jib & main sail
Steeper below with soon bar So Ends

Lat 38:40 Long by Obs 173:10 East

Remarks on Thursday May 15th

Begins with strong gales from S.W. and rough sea steering
at 2 PM turned reefed out of top sails set the S. j. sail & top jib
at 5 gales freshened took in the S. j. sail & top jib
at 8 AM took in jib main sails fore top sail & double reefed main hoist to So Ends
heavy gales and lying to

Lat by Obs 40:3 Long by Obs 177:40

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Remarks on Friday May 16th

Thru 24 hours hard gales from West and equally heavy weather
lying under double reefed main top sail fore sail and spencers with barbed
tack aboard Lat by Obs 41:5 Long by act 178:20 East

Remarks on Saturday May 17th

First part strong gales from N.W. and equally weather lying to with
top sails aboard at 5 PM wore ship at 10 gale abated midnight set
double reefed top sails Day made all sail wind hauls to South at 8
AM unbutton main top sails to middle stretch finished and bent it
So Ends with calm Lat by Obs 41:40 Long by act 178:25 East

Remarks on Saturday May 18th

First part light airs from Eastward then West with all sail
set latter fresh breeze from S.E. and cloudy weather then at 10
So Ends Lat by act 42:28 Long by 177:15 East

Remarks on Monday May 19th

Comm. with fresh gales and thick weather from S.E. at 1 PM all sail out
at 1 PM took in top jib main Royal and fore top gallant sail at 2 PM
in top gallant sails and jib double reefed fore top sail gales increasing
at 4 very heavy gales took in all sail and wore ship to under fore &
main spencers on top tack at 5 PM it was blowing violently in
squalls at midnight it moderated set close reefed main top sail at
2 AM it died away calm and left us to the mercy of a very bad
sea we got double reefed top sail and fore sail on the ship the labour
very much until Day light then it sprung up a breeze from S.W.
made all sail and then West So Ends with fine weather

Lat by act 45:15 Long by Obs 176:00 East

Remarks on Tuesday May 20th

Thru 24 hours fresh gales from South and foggy weather
at 1 PM latter part took in the light sails and sent down the
Royal yard So Ends Lat by act 45:38 Lat Long by act 175:25 East

Remarks on Wednesday May 21th

Comm. with strong winds from South and thick weather
at 5 PM double reefed top sails latter it more moderate breeze reefed out
of top sail set light sails with the saw ship to seaward So Ends Lat by act 45:58 Lat
Long by act 175:20 E

Remarks on Thursday May 22th

First part moderate breeze from Westward then by the wind top sails
latter part wind came into S.W. at 4 PM spoke West
of Fairham Capt Fisher watch employed in getting out water So Ends
Lat by Obs 48:50 Long by Obs 173:00 East