

Bark Fortune of New Bedford Capt. J. J. J.

Remarks for Thursday Dec 16th

This day commences with fresh wind and cloudy with all appearance of a storm middle strong winds from NW and cloudy with some rain last blowing a gale of wind from the north double reefed the topsails and took in the Gills running nearly before it got all snug about deck and commenced boiling but had to cool down again on account of rain which has fell in torrents with exception of short spells for the last 8 hours Jim on duty now we have all hands on duty but the work being cloudy no observation

Remarks for Friday Dec 17th

This day commences with gale of wind from northward and cloudy with heavy rain running SE under double reefed topsails middle more moderate shook out one reef from the topsails still raining fast wind freshened on again double reefed the topsails rain nearly over started the try works and commenced boiling cut the junk up and put it in casks Boat water cloudy no observation this day

Remarks for Saturday Dec 18th

This day commences with strong winds from northward and cloudy weather with slight rain showers heading ESE under double reefed topsails middle the same last wind hauled to S and clear weather shook the reefs out the topsails employed in boiling and breaking out for casks

Lat 29° 40' Long by chs 154° 33' W

Remarks for Sunday Dec 19th

This day commences with pleasant weather and wind from south steering ESE by the wind under whole topsails middle the same set the N S gallant sail last wind hauled 1 point eastward employed boiling junk & ease get through struck down all the entynes below cleared up decks and washed off appeared some of the oil got supper set the watch set the main sail to ends this day

Remarks for Monday Dec 20th

This day commences with fresh winds and pleasant weather from south SE heading to the eastward under whole topsails and main SE sail middle wind hauled to eastward set fore SE sail heading NE last the same employed in breaking out water and meat and cleaning whale teeth bailed down the try pots and cooler and cleaned them the whale we took on the 14th made us 80 bls Oil

Lat 29° 23' Long 151° 08' W

Bound to Valparaiso to refit for Oct. 21st

Remarks for Tuesday Dec 21st

This day commences with strong winds from eastward and pleasant weather heading from NE to NNE middle the same took ship to S W last wind hauled so we headed S with cloudy weather employed brading sinnet saw a sail to leeward heading northward

Lat 30° 06' S no long this day

Remarks for Wednesday Dec 22nd

This day commences with strong winds from ESE and cloudy weather steering by the wind to southward under single reef topsails with a heavy head beat sea running middle wind increased double reefed both in the Gills and spardeck fast last took in m sail and fore topsail to ease the ship so we could stow down and broke out the storage hatch and stowed down 62 bls sperm oil stowed back and cleared up decks heading NE while we were stowing more ship when we got through and headed S wind increased so we let her lay under double reef m topsail and foresail with cloudy misty weather no over this day

Remarks for Thursday Dec 23rd

This day commences with gale of wind from eastward and cloudy misty weather lay to under double reef m topsail & foresail middle the same last moderated set the foretopsail and mainsail employed in breaking out the main hatch and putting a cask of soap down and some empty cask no over this day

Remarks for Friday Dec 24th

This day commences with strong winds from eastward with cloudy misty weather hauled the Gills down and took the bonnet off heading S by N under double reef topsail middle the same last shook out a reef and wore ship headed NE by E employed setting up lee foretopmast back stays and top G and royal so and brading sinnet

No Ob this day

Remarks for Saturday Dec 25th

This day commences with strong winds and cloudy squally weather from eastward heading ESE by the wind under single reef topsails middle took ship to southward shook a reef out m topsail last pleasant wind and no squalls made all sail heading S by N watch employed in ship duty burbanke on duty again after being off 3 days with a bad bile on his instch

Lat 32° 24' S cloudy no long