

Bark Fortune of New Bedford William Davis
Remarks for Wednesday Jan 5th AD 1853

This day commences with fresh breezes from westward and clear weather steering E nearly before the wind all sail set middle wind hauled to S.W. and blew on strong top in fly gile and gaff topsail last more moderate and hauled S.W. set all sail again and steered E by N employed mending a spare topsail finished it at 5th O'clock P.M. made it up and stowed it in sail room again Lat 40° 49"

Remarks for Thursday Jan 6th
This day commences with strong winds from S by W and pleasant weather steering E by N all sail set middle wind more west and moderate to nearly calm last hauled to west and freshened on again with a heavy S.W. swell running employed in picking oarum capping rigging repairing blocks and other jobs to numerous to mention Lat 40° 40" Long 131° 23" W

Remarks for Friday Jan 7th
This day commences with strong winds from W and clear weather steering E by N all sail set middle and last the same with cloudy weather and some drizzling rain employed in some small jobs being cloudy no sail to be set

Remarks for Saturday Jan 8th
This day commences with strong winds from S.W. with cloudy weather steering E by N all sail set, wind hauled gradually till 1 O'clock P.M. came out S by E braced up sharp and took in fore topmast standing sail still going our course middle and last light winds from southward heading E by N by the wind employed in taking about 40 bl. oil out the tank and put it in cask and stowed it down the blubber room on account of the tank springing a leak broke out the fore hatch for bread Lat 39° 56" Long 124° 25" W

Remarks for Sunday Jan 9th
all this 24 hours winds from S.S.E. to S.W. light and pleasant weather steering to eastward close at haul all sail out being Sunday no employment Lat 40° 08" Long 123° 33" W

Remarks for Monday Jan 10th
The first part this 24 hours light winds varying from S.W. to south west steering our course E by S with wind free of topmast standing sail set middle wind hauled to west last and looked very stormy last hauled back to S.W. with rain Lat 40° 36" Long 121° 49"

Commander bound to Valparaiso to fit for Oct sea
Remarks for Tuesday Jan 11th 1853

first part this 24 hours light winds and baffin from S.W. to S and drizzling rain at intervals steering our course E all sail out middle and last baffin winds from S.W. to W and calm no rain employed in small jobs of different kind

Remarks for Wednesday Jan 12th
first part these 24 hours light baffin air from W and fine warm weather some cloudy steer E middle and last the same employed in repairing foretopmast runner fitting 2 main buntline blocks and some other small jobs

Remarks for Thursday Jan 13th
first part these 24 hours light winds from W by N and pleasant weather steering E all sail set middle wind freshened and hauled more north last strong winds from N.W. by E and cloudy foggy rainy weather Lat 41° 22" Long 120° 54" W

Remarks for Friday Jan 14th
This 24 hours commences with strong winds from northward with foggy rainy weather took in foretopmast and fly gile fore topmast standing sail and shankar top One reef in foretopmast steer E by S middle wind increase to quite a gale and blew in squalls and rain double reefed the topsails last more moderate took the reef out the topsails with foggy rainy weather being bad weather nothing of consequence being but standing by for squalls struck a perfect but did not come in Lat 42° 11" Long 119° 54" W

Remarks for Saturday Jan 15th
This day commences with strong winds from N.W. with foggy rainy weather set the fore and main topgallant sails steering E 2 or 3 points free middle and last foggy with light winds set fore topmast standing sail being foggy no sail as long as a perfect

Remarks for Sunday Jan 16th
This day commences with light winds from N.W. and foggy weather clearing up by shells and shutting in again steering E all sail set middle and last calm and foggy most the time being Sunday nothing doing no over this day