

Barge Fortune of New Bedford Capt Davis

Remarks for Thursday July 7th

Commenced with light breeze from North and East, cruising
Heavy rainy weather employed hailing 8 pm saw whales
Saw 2 boats without success Middle part heavy rain
And squally, could reef the top sails Latter part calm
And foggy ship surrounded with heavy ice 10 am light
Breeze from East West and clear made sail and got out
Of the ice employed hailing cock much the same

Remarks for Friday July 8th

Commenced with light breeze from South and West, cruising
Weather employed hailing and scraping some 9 pm saw
Whales Sounded 3 boats without success wind hauled to West
Middle part much the same Latter part wind down to West
For broad wind North and West steering by the wind & ship in sight
At 9 am saw whales Sounded 3 boats without success 11 AM spoke

Ship Mercury of New Bedford Capt came aboard. Clear weather
Cooks finger getting better

Remarks for Saturday July 9th

Commenced with light breeze from North and East steering by
The wind on and off to the ice in company with the Mercury
At 8 pm saw whales Sounded 2 boats without success Middle
Part much the same Latter part calm and clear Employed
Steering down in fore hold saw 2 or 3 scattering whales in the ice
Did not lower each mark the same Adams of duty sick

Remarks for Sunday July 10th

Commenced with light breeze from North and East steering by
The wind saw one whale Sounded 2 boats without success
Finished stowing clear and started some oil into the tank
Cleaned up decks 7 pm strong breeze from N.E. and thick
Fog and rain took in light sails and reefed the top sails
Middle part much the same Latter part wind N.E.
Heading S.W. and N.W. thick fog and strong breeze
Invalids much the same

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Remarks for Monday July 11th

Commenced with strong breeze from N.E. with thick
Fog and rain heading S.W. 9 pm took a ship heading
N.W. by N. on and off 4 papers took a Middle part much the
same. Latter part wind North and East heading S.W. 8 pm
At 10 AM. cleared up some saw the land ahead distance 10
Miles more ship heading N.W. 11 am thick fog again
Invalids getting better George White of duty sick.

Remarks for Tuesday July 12th

Commenced with strong breeze from North and West steering
By the wind with thick fog and rain 2 pm more ship heading
S.W. 8 pm wind N.W. heading N.E. with thick fog
Middle part much the same Latter part wind South and West
Heading N.W. thick fog 9 am cleared up saw the land and
One ship at anchor 11 am foggy again White of duty

With a bruising sore on his finger cook on duty
Adams much the same George White on duty

Remarks for Wednesday July 13th

Commenced with light breeze from N.W. cruising 8 pm
Saw whales Sounded 3 boats without success 9 pm calm
One ship in sight Middle part much the same
Latter part calm and thick fog 8 AM when fire is landed
Light bearing N.W. distance 6 miles 3 ship in sight
Invalids much the same Adams on duty

Remarks for Thursday July 14th

Commenced with light air from E. steering W. up the
Bay 8 pm saw one whale Sounded 3 boats 5 pm came too
And let go. Started anchor. Heaved up Day Hunter
Island distance 3 miles in 28 fathoms water 9 pm took
Some ahead saw several whales in shore strong breeze
From North Middle part much the same Latter part strong
Breeze Sounded 3 boats and went in shore to look for
Whale saw some very wild deer Much much the same