

Sunday Oct: 6th 1833 Fresh breezes and fair weather with occasional squalls. At 1 P.M. reefed the topsails & tacked to the E & N. At 7 A.M. set whole topsails & set 1st & 2^d Sail and tacked to the S.W. This day completes my thirty fifth year (being according to the general average computation, one half of the time allotted to mankind on earth. It appears but a little time that I have been on the stage of existence, and much of that little, mispent & misimproved. May God strengthen my resolutions, to live the remainder of my days on earth, more to his glory and my own knowledge of rectitude. Lat Obs 4° 17' S

Longitude 87° 47' W

Monday Oct 7th Light winds and calms and pleasant weather. Blacked the Ships wales on the larboard side. Saw nothing. Lat Obs 4° 24' S. Long 88° 00' W

Tuesday Oct 8th Calms & light winds and pleasant weather. Blacked the Ships wales on the Starboard side. Lat Obs 4° 19' S. Longitude 88° 09' W

Wednesday Oct 9th Light breezes & fair weather. Steered to the E & N by the wind. Saw Blackfish & Porpoises. Caught a Porpoise. At noon spoke Ship Golconda of New Bedford Capt Corie, who had just finished cutting in a whale. Has about 400 Bbls Oil. Lat Obs 3° 54' S. Longitude 87° 30' W

Thursday Oct 10th Light breezes and cloudy weather & during the night small showers of rain. At 8 P.M. wore & steered to the S.W. by the wind. Lat Obs 4° 08' S. Long 87° 40' W

Friday Oct 11th Light breezes and cloudy weather. Steered to the S.W. by the wind. At 7 A.M. wore to the E & N. Saw Porpoises. Saw a Ship to leeward. Lat Obs 4° 09' S. Long 88° 00' W

Saturday October 12th Light winds & pleasant weather. Steering to the Eastward by the wind. At noon spoke Ship Brighton, Tucker. Man of New Bedford 23 months out 1400 Bbls Oil. Lat Obs 4° 07' S. Long 87° 40' W

Sunday October 13th 1833. Moderate breezes & pleasant weather. Steering to the S.W. by the wind. Two Ships in sight. Saw Blackfish. Lat Obs 4° 50' S. Long 87° 47' W

Monday Oct 14 Fresh breezes and a thick atmosphere. Steered to the S.W. till daylight & kept to the S.W. At noon spoke Ship Stephania, Dexter of New Bedford, 15 months out 600 Bbls Oil. Lat Obs 5° 04' S. Long 88° 28' W

Tuesday Oct 15 Fine breezes & pleasant weather. Ship Stephania in company. Sold Capt. Dexter a Mizzen topsail & flying jib & delivered them from off the Yard & Booms. At daylight bent another Mizzen topsail & flying jib. At 10 A.M. saw Sperm Whales raised by the Stephania off our Starboard Beam. At 11 A.M. lowered the three Boats in pursuit. Lat Obs 4° 45' S. Long 88° 30' W

Wednesday Oct 16 Light winds and pleasant weather. At 1 P.M. the Boats came alongside & were taken up, not having taken any thing. At 3 A.M. passed a Ship on the other tack. At 10 A.M. spoke Ship Golconda. Saw Blackfish & Porpoises. Lat Obs 4° 26' S. Long 89° 00' W

Thursday Oct 17 Light winds and the most part a cloudy atmosphere. At 4 P.M. took a Lunar Observation by measuring the distance between the Sun & Moon and the Longitude deduced therefrom was 89° 24' W. Steered to the S.W. by the wind. At 6 A.M. tacked to the E & N. Unbent the Fore Course & took about 3 feet off the head, repaired it & rebent it. Saw Blackfish. Lat 4° 47' S. Long 89° 40' W

Friday October 18th First part light breezes & cloudy weather. Steering to the E & N by the wind. Middle & Latter part fresh breezes with passing clouds. Unbent the Fore topsail & repaired it. Lat Obs 4° 16' S. Long 89° 00' W

Saturday Oct 19 Fresh breezes and cloudy weather. Steering to the S.W. by the wind. At 8 A.M. tacked to the E & N. Spoke the Golconda. Lat Obs 4° 37' S. Long 89° 35' W