

Ship George of New Bedford Whaling

Wednesday Oct 26

Commences with fine breezes from NNE with fine weather middle parts thick & raining at 12 pm winds W.S.W. brace yards, took studding sails &c. at 15.30. 1400 yards set studding sails, so ends this day with fine breezes from N.N.W. saw fin backs &c. Course S by W
Lat by Obs Lon 140

Thursday Oct 27

Commences with fine weather and winds from N.N.W. at 4 P.M. reefed the mainsail, double reefed the mizen topsail, middle parts hazy with fine breezes from N.N.W. at 4 am brace the yards took in fore topmast studding sail steering S.S.W. broke out main hatchway for water &c. latter part same so ends this day Course S.S.W. Lat by Obs 51° 18' Lon 141

Friday Oct 28

Commences with fine breezes from N.N.W. at 1 P.M. took in fore topmast studding sail, fore & main top gallant sail double reefed the topsails, sent down fore top gallant yards, at 8 P.M. close reefed the topsails, reefed & furled the mainsail took in fore & spanker, blowing like the day before at 12 M. took in fore topsail let her mull, at 10 set the mizen topsail so ends this day pleasant & breezy
Lat by Obs 52° 18' Lon by 142

Saturday Oct 29

Commences with light winds &c. set fore & main sail middle parts light & calm made sail heading S by E at day light calm, sent down fore top gallant masts so ends this day fine weather Course S.W. by S. 143
Lat by Obs 53° South Lon

Sunday Oct 30

Commences with fine weather & light breezes from N.W. saw land, one of the Falkland islands middle parts light winds, & raining latter parts fine & clear, so ends this day moderate Course S.W. by S. 144 days out
Lat by Obs 53° 41' Lon

Monday Oct 31

Commences with fine pleasant weather & winds from W.N.W. middle parts fine & calm, at day light winds from N.E. set fore topmast studding sail both sides

Towards Pacific Ocean November 1836

Latter parts fine breezes from East, so ends this day, Course S.S.W. Lat by Obs 54° 40' Lon 58° 00', 145 days out

Tuesday November 1st

Commences with fine breezes from N.E. watch employed stripping scrub bark, fine pleasant weather for Cape Horn middle parts fine with squalls of rain at 7 o'clock -- the watch below, at 10 am give her the lower studding sail, so ends this day, Course S.S.W. Lat by Obs 55° 37' Lon 146 days out

Wednesday Nov 2nd

Commences with fine breezes from N.E. pleasant weather &c. the watch employed &c. middle parts fine with light squalls of rain at 7 and give her the topmast studding sails on both sides steering S.W. by S. at 11 spoke the Ship Nile of New Bedford 14 months out 2400 whale 250 sperm bound home, so ends this day &c. Course S.W. Lat by Obs 56° 51' Lon by obs 65° 30' 147

Thursday Nov 3rd

Commences with light breezes and squalls of rain from N.N.W. at 2 saw two islands of ice bearing W.N.W. at 8 P.M. double reefed the topsails at 10 shook out the reefs from main topsail set the top gallant sail, at 1 am shook out the reefs from fore & mizen topsails, heading South middle parts light breezes from W.N.W. at 9 am give her the studding sails wind N.W. so ends this day strong breezes from N.W. Course W.S.W. Lat by Obs 58° 20' 148 days

Friday Nov 4th

Commences with from N.W. took in lower studding sail at 4 P.M. clewed down & double reefed the topsails middle parts light winds and variable give her the topmast studding sail shook out reefs &c. at 8 am give her the lower studding sail, at 7 calm, latter parts strong breezes from S.W. so ends this day Course W.N.W. day 24 Lat by Obs 58° 39' Lon by obs 149 days

Saturday Nov 5th

Commences with strong breezes from S.W. at 7 P.M. tacked ship to S.S.E. middle parts light breezes &c. at 7 am the watch employed making scrub brooms so ends this day Course S by W 150 days out
Lat by Obs 57° 42' Lon by obs

Blowing 15 knots Ship George 15 days out off Diego