

Barth George Washington. Capt. Master

Remarks on board Sunday Oct 6th 1837

First part a strong gale at S by E and thick weather. Steered S by E at 10 AM took in the fore top sail and close reefed the main at 11 AM took in the waist but at 12 AM took in the fore sail & sails in sight. Middle part a strong gale thick and rainy with a heavy sea. Steered S by E at 1 PM took in the fore top mast stay sail. Latter part a moderate breeze at S by E thick and squally with a heavy swell. Lie to headed S by W one sail in sight. Lat by Obs 35° 18' South

Remarks on board Monday Oct 7th 1837

First part light air and pleasant with a heavy swell steered from S by E to S by W wind from S by W at 1 PM took in the fore top mast stay sail at 2 PM took in the fore sail double reefed fore top sail jib and spanker one sail in sight at 3 PM took in the fore top sail and jib. Middle part a light breeze at S by E squally headed S by E at 4 PM took in the spanker. Latter part a light breeze at S by W in pleasant at 5 PM took in the waist but the vessel boat on the cranes were all sail and steered S by E & sails in sight broke out for molasses and headed at 11 AM saw right whales but did not strike. Lat by Obs 34° 55' South

Remarks on board Tuesday Oct 8th 1837

This day commenced with a light breeze at S by W and cloudy tacked about for the above mentioned whales at 1 PM took in the boats and heaved away again at 2 PM came on board again at 3 PM lowered again and closed but did not strike at 4 PM took in the boats again about shortened sail & sails in sight. Middle part a light breeze at S by E headed S by E at 5 PM wore ship and headed S by W. Latter part a light breeze at S by E thick and rainy head S by W under short sail killed a hog. Lat by Obs 34° 48' South

Remarks on board Wednesday Oct 9th 1837

First part a light breeze from S by E to S by W thick and rainy headed from S by E to E under short sail. at 1 PM light a light breeze at S by E and pleasant wore all sail and steered S by W at 2 PM saw right whales going quick to the S by W. Latter part a fresh gale from S by E to E and squally headed from S by E to E at 3 PM spoke the bark gerson of Cape London with one sperm and two right whales took in the top gallant sails and reefed the top sails & sails in sight at 4 PM saw a fin back. Lat by Obs 34° 48' South

Remarks on board Thursday Oct 10th 1837

These 24 hours commenced with strong breezes from S by E to S by W and squally with a heavy swell steered S by E saw fin backs at 1 PM wore ship and steered from S by W to W at 4 PM took in the fore top sail jib and spanker at 5 PM saw a right whale took in the fore sail close reefed the main top sail and took in the waist boat. Middle part a hard gale squally and rugged lie to headed from W to S by W wind from S by W to S by W at 7 PM took in the fore top mast stay sail at 8 PM took in the main top sail. Latter part a fresh gale at S by W cloudy and rugged headed W at 8 PM set a close reefed main top sail one sail in sight. Lat by Obs 34° 48' South

Remarks on board Friday Oct 11th 1837

First part a strong gale at S by W and rugged headed W broke out for water one sail in sight at 3 PM set the fore top mast stay sail at 4 PM wore ship and headed S by E. Middle part a moderate breeze from S by W to S by E headed from S by E to S by W at 5 PM took in the fore sail at 6 PM took in the spanker. Latter part a fresh gale and cloudy at 8 PM set a double reefed fore top sail and let one reef out of the main top sail at 9 PM let one reef out of the fore top sail and set the main top gallant sail and steered S by E saw fin backs at 10 PM let the reef out of the main top sail spoke the ship Atlantic of London no oil & sails in sight. Lat by Obs 34° 48' South

Cruising for right whales

Remarks on board Thursday Oct 12th 1837

First part a strong gale from S by W and cloudy steered S by E at 1 PM steered S by E saw fin backs took in the main top gallant sail at 2 PM took in the waist reefed the main top sail at 3 PM steered S by E and headed S by E at 4 PM took in the fore top sail at 5 PM took in the fore top mast stay sail. Middle part a strong gale in rugged at midnight took in the fore sail at 1 PM took in the fore top mast stay sail. Latter part a hard gale at S by E and squally with a heavy sea lie to headed S by E at 11 PM took in the waist boat. Lat by Obs 34° 48' South

Remarks on board Friday Oct 13th 1837

This day commenced with a hard gale at S by E and squally with a heavy sea running lie to headed S by E at 1 PM took in the main top sail and lie under the fore spanker and under short stay sail. Middle part a hard gale at S by E and squally with a heavy sea. Latter part more moderate at 5 PM set a close reefed main top sail and fore sail at 6 PM took in the fore sail. Lat by Obs 34° 48' South

Remarks on board Saturday Oct 14th 1837

First part a fresh gale from S by W to S by E and rugged headed from S by W to S by E at 1 PM set the fore top mast stay sail at 2 PM set the fore sail. Middle part a fresh gale from S by W to S by E and rugged headed from S by W to S by E at 3 PM took in the fore top sail jib and spanker and let one reef out of the main top sail and put the waist boat on the cranes at 4 PM wore ship set the main top gallant sail and steered S by W at 5 PM broke out for provisions at 6 PM took in the main top sail at 7 PM let one reef out of the fore top sail and tumbled the main top gallant sail to windward saw fin backs. Lat by Obs 33° 48' South

Remarks on board Sunday Oct 15th 1837

First part a fresh gale from S by W to S by E and pleasant with a heavy swell steered from S by E to S by W at 1 PM finished mending the top gallant sail and bent it to the waist boat at 2 PM shortened sail. Middle part a fresh gale and squally. Latter part a strong gale at S by E squally and rugged headed S by E at 4 PM set a double reefed fore top sail at 5 PM took in the fore top sail and close reefed the main top sail. Lat by Obs 34° 48' South

Remarks on board Monday Oct 16th 1837

These 24 hours commenced with a strong gale at S by E and rugged steered S by W under short sail at 1 PM took in the fore top sail at 2 PM wore ship and headed S by E. Middle part a strong gale at S by E squally and rugged at 4 PM wore ship set a double reefed fore top sail and steered S by W at 5 PM took in the fore top sail. Lat by Obs 34° 48' South

Remarks on board Tuesday Oct 17th 1837

First part a strong gale at S by E and rugged headed S by E spoke the bark Cleopatra. Middle part a strong gale from S by E to S by W and rugged headed from S by E to S by W. Latter part a strong gale at S by E and thick weather with some rain and a heavy sea headed S by E at 11 PM set a double reefed fore top sail at 12 PM took in the fore top sail. Lat by Obs 35° 20' South