

Journal on board

S.P.O. 11 February 1873

Saturday Feb. 15th
Lat. 24° 32' min Lon 76° 22' min
Sunday Feb. 16th

A strong breeze this morning but it soon moderated so we set all sail. and at night took it in.

Monday Feb. 17th
Made sail this morning notwithstanding several jaw squalls. - and this afternoon a whaler hove in sight. so we will soon hear the news.

Tuesday Feb. 18th
Squally during the day. but not bad weather. this afternoon land was raised off the lee beam.

Juan Fernandez very likely

Wednesday Feb. 19th
A good breeze from the South. was under double reefed topsails. in the afternoon captured the 'Coursier' had taken 600. bbls. since May. 72 lost one man boats &c. etc

Thursday Feb. 20th
The Coursier, finbacks, humpbacks and porpoises was the only thing seen. and for the work we did it would take but few words to tell.

Friday Feb. 21st
Calm

Saturday Feb. 22nd
A holiday. in some places. but here they are all holidays alike. nothing to see
Lat. 34° 58' min S. Lon 74° 40' min W.

Bark Alfred Gibbs

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Sunday Feb. 23rd
Nice weather for whaling but it has been found the hardest part on the part most difficult to see them. we found it so today

Monday Feb. 24th
Good weather. was under single reefed topsails. nothing in sight not even a finback and they have been very numerous of late

Tuesday Feb. 25th
A strong South wind. was on the Port tack heading W by S.
Wednesday Feb. 26th
Calm.

Thursday Feb. 27th
A good breeze from the South. I was on the Port tack under main top gallantail nothing in sight when I commenced writing in this book I think I said something about doing it to improve my writing perhaps it has a very little. but I have not seen anything written here really worth publishing

Friday Feb. 28th
Fine weather. with a light breeze from the S.W. was on the Star board tack heading S.S.E. saw humpbacks breaching. finning and spouting. but work then was none.
Lat. 35° 25' min Lon. 76° 1' min