

Bark Alfred Gibbs, Cruising off River La Platte.

Remarks Thursday Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1870  
Begins with a heavy Gale from the S.W. and a heavy sea. being on Landings, about 60 fathoms makes hoare reefed, all hands employed securing the Oil, and making the Bark as safe as possible. at 2 P.M. were ship to the west so she would head the sea more. A Bark in sight. Barometer at 7 1/2 P.M. 29.95/100 North and latter part blowing heavy. at 7 1/2 A.M. were ship to the S.E. two sails in sight. Barometer 29.85/100 Lat 34-53 Long 52-19 Thermometer 48

Remarks Friday Nov 11<sup>th</sup>  
Begins with a Gale from S.W. Bark lying too under close reefed main top sail and bare stay sail. A very heavy sea running. Barometer 29.85/100 Middle part moderated same. at 11 P.M. started the fires again. at 6 A.M. the wind hauled to the N.W. and blew on again called all hands, cooled down, and commenced staving down. weather looking bad. Lat 35-20 Long 52-26

Remarks Saturday Nov 12<sup>th</sup>  
Begins with a Gale from the N.W. and hauling slowly to the Southward. Employed staving Oil. at 5 1/2 P.M. finished, stowed 11 bbls. Wind S.W. were ship to the westward. Lying too under close reefed main top sail and bare stay sail. Barometer 29.85/100 Latter part a little more moderate. Wind N.W. a heavy sea from the S. at 6 A.M. started the fires again, and made out to finish the whale. Barometer 29.85/100 Lat 35-42 Long 52-21

Remarks Sunday Nov 13<sup>th</sup>  
Begins with strong winds from N.W. heading to S.W. at 1 1/2 P.M. the wind hauled suddenly to the S.W. and blew heavy. have too under close reefed main top sail and stay sail. Barometer 29.85/100 at 1 P.M. were ship to the N.W. Latter part a heavy Gale, and a very bad sea. at 9 A.M. were ship to the Southward wind S.W. by W. Barometer 30 Lat 35-52

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Remarks Monday Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 1870  
Begins with a heavy Gale from S.W. by W. and as bad a sea as I ever saw. there must be a strong southerly current here, for the vessel has made 10 miles. If there was no current, she ought to have made 20 miles farther. At 1 1/2 P.M. took in the main top sail and bare top mast stay sail. The bark hoare too under a main Spencer. at 7 P.M. still blowing heavy. Barometer 30 Middle part blowing very hard in the squalls. at 2 1/2 P.M. began to rain in the squalls, and lulls a little between squalls. set the main top sail loose winged, and bare top mast stay sail. at 6 1/2 set the main top sail whole close reefed. The latter part moderate a little. Barometer 30 5/100 Lat 36-06 Long 51-15

Remarks Tuesday Nov 15<sup>th</sup>  
Begins with a Gale from the S.W. by W. The bark hoare too, head to the South. under close reefed main top sail and stay sails. Barometer 30 5/100 Thermometer 57 Latter part strong wind still. Lat 35-41 Long 50-28

Remarks Wednesday Nov 16<sup>th</sup>  
Begins with strong winds and squalls from S.W. heading to the S.E. under close reefed. Employed scraping Bone, saw one sail. Latter part light air and calm. sent down the royal yards. Barometer 30 2/100 Lat 35-06 Long 49-52

Remarks Thursday Nov 17<sup>th</sup>  
Begins with moderate breezes from W.S.W. heading by the wind to the Southward. at 7 P.M. calm. Barometer 30 2/100 Latter part fresh breezes from N.W. heading by the W.S.W. at 9 A.M. took in 1 top sail and I ably reefed the top sails. saw plenty of Pin Barks. Barometer 30 1/100 Lat 35-37 Long 50-26