

Bark Alfred Gibbs. Cruising off St. Maria's

Remarks Tuesday Dec 5th 1871

Begins with light breeze from W. S.W. and fine. Three whalers in sight. Latter part light air calm and fog. Saw three whaling barks. The Martha; Martha's Star & Mar. Capt. Allen of the Mar. came on board and got his letters. He had not taken a whale since Mar.

Lat 36-46 Long 73-43

Remarks Wednesday Dec 6th

Begins with strong winds from the South and S.W. at 3 P.M. Hazy in sight. Were ship off shore. Latter part strong winds from S.

at 10 A.M. St. Maria's in sight. Dist 15 miles.

Were ship off shore. Lat 36-47 Long 74-19

Remarks Thursday Dec 7th

Begins with strong winds from the S. Under double reef. Wind increasing. at 6 P.M. took in the fore sail and close reefed the fore sails.

Latter part a gale. at 1 A.M. took in the fore fore sail. at 7 set it again. Under close reef.

Lat 36-34 Long 74-33

Remarks Friday Dec 8th

Begins with a gale from the South. Under close reef. fore sails. Saw a merchant bark. Latter part more moderate. Under double reef.

Lat 36-12 Long 74-48

Remarks Saturday Dec 9th

Begins with fresh breeze from S. Under double reef. Latter part strong winds under close reef & fore sail. The Martha in sight.

Lat 36-26 Long 73-48

Remarks Sunday Dec 10th

Begins with strong winds from the S. Under close reef fore sails & fore sail. I am about half sick. a bad cold. pain all over. I think I shall lose my feet and take a sweat to night. Latter part moderate from the W. S.W. The Martha in sight.

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Remarks Monday Dec 11th 1871

Begins with moderate breeze from W. S.W. and rain. at 3 P.M. wind shifted to the S. Land in sight. Saw three barks.

Latter part moderate and a heavy S.W. swell. Saw two merchantmen.

Lat 36-19 Long 74-18

Remarks Tuesday Dec 12th

Begins with moderate breeze from the South. and a heavy swell. Latter part fresh breeze. Saw black fish, porpoises, hump backs & the bark Mar.

Lat 36-27 Long 73-51

Remarks Wednesday Dec 13th

Begins with strong winds from S.E. Under double reef. at 2 1/2 Land in sight. Were ship off shore. Latter part strong winds under double reef. Saw three whaling barks.

Lat 36-25 Long 74-44

Begins with strong winds from the S.E. Under double reef. Latter part strong winds. Saw hump backs.

Lat 36-14 Long 75-42

Remarks Friday Dec 15th

Begins with strong winds from S.E. Under double reef. Latter part strong winds from S. Under double reef.

Lat 36-10 Long 74-51

Remarks Saturday Dec 16th

Begins with strong winds from S. Under double reef. at sundown took fore sail. Latter part strong winds.

Lat 35-56 Long 74-49

Remarks Sunday Dec 17th

Begins with strong winds from S.E. Under double reef. Latter part more moderate. Saw killers

Lat 35-48 Long 74-23