

Ship Hector on the western ground

Thursday May 30th 1842

Strong trades from S.E. and squalls of rain. Took in topgallant sails and luffed to the wind. Saw several pieces of squid. Doubled suffed the topsails. & halled up the courses. Latter part. Strong trades. Saw nothing. So ends. Lat 5.35 South Long 103.21 West.

Tuesday May 31st

Strong trades from S.E. and fine weather. Employed in various jobs about the rigging. 6 P.M. luffed to the wind. Suffed topsails. Middle and latter parts. Strong trades. Steading by the wind N.E. Saw nothing. So ends these 24 hours. Lat 5.59 South Long 104.10 West.

Wednesday June 1st

Strong trades from S.E. and pleasant weather. Steading by the wind S. N.E. Saw nothing. 6 P.M. Suffed the topsails. Middle and latter parts fine. Employed in securing a sail from a main to a foretop sail. Lat 4.22 South Long 103.30 West.

Thursday June 2nd

Fine trades from S.E. 2 P.M. tacked ship to S.W. Saw nothing. Middle and latter parts fine. Employed in repairing sails. Saw nothing. Ends these 24 hours. Lat 5.58 South Long 103.10 West.

Director of New Bedford

June 3rd 1842

Commenced with strong breezes from S.E. At 2 P.M. tacked to the N.E. At 6 o'clock suffed the topsails. Middle parts the same as to wind and weather. Latter saw a ship. 4 points off the Bow. giving us a good chase. But gain on us.

Latitude 5.05 South
Long 103.23 West

June 4th

Spoke the ship Harrison of New Bedford Smith master. 10 m. out 500 lbs. At 6 P.M. saw a breach off the lub beam. ran off till dark. could not ascertain what it was. Middle parts lying with the main yard to the mast. Latter part saw the before mentioned ship but no whale. Lat 4.22 South Long 103.40 West.

Sunday 5th

Commenced strong. At 12.30 P.M. tacked to the South. 6 P.M. took in topgallant sails and flying jib. Latter parts. Saw nothing. Ends these 24 hours. Lat 06.24 South Long 103.46 West.

Monday 6th

Strong trades and clear weather. 6 P.M. doubled suffed the topsails. Tacked ship to the N.E. Latter parts fine. At 9 A.M. passed the ship Harrison on tops opposite tacks. about 1/4 mile to windward. Saw another sail to windward running down. Ends these 24 hours.

Latitude 5.51 South
Long 103.57 West.