

Ship Hector. Cruising on Off Shore ground

Saturday June 25th 1842

Commenced with strong trades and squally weather. Saw a ship off the weather bow. 6 a.m. set two watches for the night. At 11 a.m. passed the above mentioned ship within 1/2 mile. Latter strong. Saw 2 ships, so was these 24 hours. Lat 4.38 S. Long 106.53 W.

Sunday June 26th

Strong trades from S.E. steering by the wind N.E. middle parts strong. At 12 Lacked to the south. At daylight Lacked again. Latter part fine. Saw nothing worthy of note. So was. Lat 4.15 South. Long 106.15 West.

Monday June 27th

Fine trades from S.E. and clear weather. Steering by the wind N.E. Saw nothing. Middle and latter parts fine. So was. Lat 3.27 South. Long 104.59 West.

Tuesday June 28th

Strong trades and squally weather. Employed in weaving grips for the boats. Saw Blackfish and porpoises. Middle and latter parts strong. So was. Lat 2.38 South. Long 103.56 West.

Wednesday June 29th

Fine trades from S.E. Busy in fitting grips for the boats. Saw Blackfish &c. Middle and latter parts, squally weather. Saw nothing. Lat 01.40 South. Long 102.32 West.

Ship Hector of New Bedford. At Sea

Remarks on board June 30th 1842

Fine trades and clear weather. Saw Blackfish and porpoises. Middle and latter parts. Sailing weather. Saw nothing this day. Latitude 00.40 South. Long 101.18 West.

Remarks on board July 1st

Strong trades and squally weather. At 4 p.m. Lacked to the south. Middle and latter parts strong. Saw finbacks. Lat 2.00 South. Long 101.14 West.

Remarks on board July 2nd

Fine trades from S.E. and clear weather. At 3.30 P.M. saw branches ahead, resembling sperm whales, stood along till dark. but saw nothing more. Latter part the same. Saw porpoises. Lat 3.45 South. Long 101.34 West.

Remarks on board July 3rd

Strong trades and squally weather. Middle and latter parts fine. Saw blackfish & porpoises. Was there 24 hours. Lat 5.02 South. Long 102.00 West.

Remarks on board July 4th

Fine trades from S.E. and clear weather. 6 p.m. took in sail and set the watches for the night. Latter parts. Employed in mending the main topsail. At 9.30 a.m. saw branches off the weather beam. bent the main topsail as soon as possible. 12 m. whales about 7 miles distant. Lat 6.09 South. Long 102.32 West.