

Remarks on board Ship Wilbernia of New Bedford
 Wednesday June 29th This day begins with pleasant weather
 and baffling winds watches engaged in
 various duties we are all trying to do all
 we have in our power for the sick-folks
 but they are discouraged I have had a talk
 with the man forward and the Capt to
 I was in his room from 1/2 past 4 A.M.
 till 1/2 past 6 A.M. we have a man a
 watching him all the time he has not
 eat anything for ten days but a little
 ice water and a very little gruel I
 have considerable care on my mind at
 present the Ship and the Capt and
 a man before the mast but I don't
 mind that if I can find help for
 them that is all I care for at present
 latter part pleasant weather and light airs
 from the Eastward ship heading Nth on the
 wind At three P.M. the Capt called me
 to his Stateroom and told me to put
 the Ship towards home I told him that
 I thought that we had better go to the
 Islands as we were so near but he snuffed
 me up pretty short and insisted on going
 home I then told Mr. Fields to keep the
 Ship West and he did so at 5 P.M. we
 got up the Studding sails and began to bind
 them after breakfast I kept all hands on
 deck to finish binding Studding sails and to
 set them at 8 P.M. the Capt went
 up for me I then went below and the
 Capt told me that he was almost sorry
 that he had not let the Ship go on
 when she was heading for the Islands and
 if I would put her for the Islands again
 he would be much obliged to me I told
 him to make up his mind which way
 he wanted to go if to the Islands to say so
 if home to say so which ever way he said
 I would go for this way we would get no
 where so he said go to the Islands
 so we hoisted the yards and stood on the
 wind Lat by Obs 34° 15' Long by Obs 41° 45' West

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 Hummel Master bound to the Western Islands with the Captain
 Thursday June 30th Pleasant with light airs from the E.S.E.
 Ship heading Nth on the wind watches engaged
 in various duties saw some porpoises the Capt
 fobs about the same he has some horrible dream
 about these times he now has a man a reading the
 Bible to him he don't eat anything worth speaking
 about we have a man a setting up with him all
 the time he has to have hot tea in the night so
 we keep a fire in the Gally all night latter part
 pleasant with a fine breeze from the S.W. by
 course East by Nth watches engaged in various
 duties saw plenty of Porpoises and a sail
 steering to the N.E. Capt Hummel has
 slept all night and nearly all day this is
 the first rest that he has had since being
 sick the man forward is about the same
 we have also another man pretty bad they
 don't any of them eat anything that I know
 of but the Capt drinks considerable tea and
 ice water Lat by Obs 35° 49' Long by Obs 38° 28' West

Friday July 1st

Pleasant weather and a fine breeze from the N.W. by
 course East by Nth with studding sails out watches
 engaged in ships duty saw breacher off the Starboard
 beam about 3 miles off they proved to be finbacks
 also saw Porpoises the Capt fobs quite easy
 at present but the men forward are about
 the same, same the same wind the same
 latter part strong breeze from the S.W. by
 course East by Nth watches engaged in
 various duties saw finbacks Capt Hummel
 is very much discouraged and the man forward
 is rather worse than he has been the Ship is
 going all over the coast green hands at the
 wheel I hope we will get to the Islands
 before long for I am tired of having this
 trouble on my mind and can't do anything
 for them Lat 37° 36' Long by Obs 36° 17' West