

Remarks on board Ship Hibernia of New Bedford

Friday August 16th Commenced with a fine breeze from the Nth East steering to the Southward watches engaged in setting up rigging a 3 A M. Sighted a large Sperm Whale going to the Northward we luffed to the wind and took in the studding sails then tackled and stood towards the whale at 4 to 5 A M. lowered three boats and chased till dark but without success then came aboard and took in sail and set the watch for the night boats crew middle and latter part pleasant at 5 P M. called all hands made sail and wore ship and headed to the Northward nothing seen watches engaged in setting up rigging

Saturday August 21th Pleasant with a fine breeze from the Nth East ship heading Nth West on the wind at 4 A M. wore ship and headed to the Southward at sunset took in the fore and main topsails and mainsail and jib and double reefed the maintop sail then set the watch for the night latter part pleasant with a fine trade wind ship heading Nth by Nth watches engaged in various duties Lat 18 40 N Long 23 09 W

Sunday August 28th Pleasant with a fine breeze from the Nth East steering Sth at sunset took in the fore and main topsails and double reefed the main fore the main sail and jib then set the watch latter part pleasant with trade at daylight made sail and kept her Sth by W at 11 P M. raised Salt Island bearing Sth W by West 20 miles distant

Annexed Master of the Island of St. Jago 1858

Monday August 29th Commenced with a fine breeze and fine weather steering for the Island of Salt at 4 o'clock the Capt went in to one place and then told they were not allowed to trade he then came on board we then kept the ship off for the lee end of the Island at 5 A M. off the town there was one Barge and one schooner laying to an anchor at sunset double reefed the topsails and set the watch for the night boats crew middle and latter part pleasant stood in for the Island of Salt at 9 P M. the Capt went ashore at 12 and the Boat off and word for me to bend the cables on both anchors and come to an anchor we hoisted the boat up then got our dinner

Tuesday August 30th Pleasant with a strong breeze at 1 o'clock got the cables up and bent them on the anchors then stood in and came to an anchor at 3 A M. and furlled the sails and washed off the decks at 5 A M. the Capt came off and we gave the ship some more chain with made forty five fathoms latter pleasant at 8 P M. sent the watch ashore on liberty the Capt also went on shore at 10 P M. the watch came off and we hove up the anchor and got under way and stood for St. Jago

Wednesday August 31st Pleasant with light airs and calms at 1 A M. lowered the fore boat and towed the ship till 2 P M. then called them alongside saw Blackfish at six set the studding sails Salt Island 12 miles distant bearing N. N. E. latter part pleasant with light breezes from the Nth steering S. W. for St. Jago at 9 P M. saw the Island of Chago and St. Jago broke out for Bread and Water watches engaged in various duties sail provisions