

Under Double reefed I. sails and E. I. M. stayt and spencers rolling badly and shivered considerable water midships no damage. Saw a merchant man going off S. E. under two reefs. Lat. $36^{\circ}13'$ Lon. $47^{\circ}40'$.

Jan. 8.

Gale continued. Saw a sail this morning steering S. E. just before noon. Wind hailed on point to Southward. Afternoon some rain. Sea going down. Set to sail. At 5 P. M. made another sail standing towards us as it was dark before she came near could not make her out. No obs.

Jan. 9.

Last night wind came round to the S. E. and began to moderate. To day we have got sail on again. Afternoon killed two pigs one of them was the one that we intended to have some 3 ears day. Lat. $34^{\circ}37'$ Lon. $46^{\circ}57'$.

Jan. 10.

The wind has got round to S. W. again and light. Lowered for what was thought to be a whale a long way to windward so that the killers could not strike me. Had a good sea pie for dinner and a roast for supper.

Tasted good even without vegetables which we at present have no means of procuring.

Don't look much like whaling yet hope we are not always to be disappointed. Lat. $33^{\circ}28'$ Lon. $48^{\circ}11'$.

Jan. 11th 1855.

During the night the wind fell away and we have had it all day a dead calm. All hands busy in various kinds of duty. Lat. $33^{\circ}45'$ Lon. $48^{\circ}21'$.

Jan. 12.

In the night light breeze sprang up from the N. E. continuing through the day. Weather cloudy but pleasant. Taring and rattling down rigging &c. Lat. $34^{\circ}24'$ Lon. $48^{\circ}30'$.

Jan. 13.

No change. Lat. $35^{\circ}20'$ Lon. $48^{\circ}08'$.

Jan. 14 Sunday.

A good whole sail breeze from S. W. and fine weather. This morning made a sail away to leeward. Afternoon another to windward both merchantmen. During the day quite a number of loggerhead turtles been seen. Caught one. So I suppose tomorrow it will not be mock turtle but the real genuine article. Read considerable. Lat. $36^{\circ}00'$ Lon. $48^{\circ}00'$.

Jan. 15.

The weather continues the brightest and fairest - we have known for a long time. The wind even to light for good exercising. The turtle soup for dinner was splendid. Sea tranquil the sea is to day? a light