

Ship Ariel J. N. Bowman Master

Sunday Feb 21 8.47
First part light air from West and fine weather ships being
E & E with all sail set ship in sight at 2 P.M. saw light when
sailed 3 parts but they had been chased by the outer ships and
were wild we edged ship at 4 P.M. struck the head and
the part fresh breeze latter part strong wind from NW
Course E & E under double reef topsails going large round
Lat obs 44° 58' South
Long by Chron 44° 58' West

Monday Feb 22
All these 24 hours strong wind from NW and at times
squally at 3 P.M. spoke ship Alcege of Sag Harbor Capt. Selby
Head sunk & whale a few hours previously so wind with rain and
Course E by N with all present sail Lat obs 44° 29' South
Long by Chron 41° 22' West

Tuesday Feb 23
First and middle parts strong wind from North and rain
Course E by N with single reefed topsails at 8 P.M. wind hauling
Sunderly to the Southward at 9 gail increasing took in sail as
required at Meridian strong gail ship going large under double
N reefed fore and maintop sail Course NE Lat obs 44° 12' South
Long at 3 P.M. 37° 08' West

Wednesday Feb 24th
First part strong gail from South Course NE under double
Reefed maintop sail at 6 gail decreasing set the foretop sail
middle part gentle breeze made all sail latter part same
ships head E & E going large so wind Lat obs 43° 28'
Long per Chron 33° 52'

Thursday Feb 25th All these 24 hours moderate variable
Winds and frequent squalls of light rain First 6 hours Course
E & E with all sail set latter part shifted NE and at
Barque standing to the Northward so wind Lat obs 42° 06' S
Long Chron 31° 47' W

Friday Feb 26th
Commenced with light breezy from NW and overcast Course NE
Carrying all sails watch employed in various jobs and not
Everything in sight but sea and sky latter part wind E & E saw
Plenty birds so wind 2 men sick of duty Lat obs 40° 28' S
Longitude 29° 47' W

Saturday Feb 27 All these 24 hours
gentle breezy from the Southward and fine weather Course
E & E with all sail set watch employed in ships
duty Nothing like whales yet No boat sick
So wind

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Lat obs 38° 35' S
Long per Chron 26° 56' W

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Sunday Feb 28th First 8 middle parts light breezy
from SSE and pleasant weather we steered by the wind to the Eastward
with all sail set at 4 P.M. unbent and bent A maintop sail
latter part gentle breeze from West Course East so wind
Lat obs 38° 44' South
Long per Chron 25° 36' West

Monday March the 1. 18.47.
All these 24 hours light breezy from the SW and fine
weather we steered E by S with all sail set watch employed
Repairing maintop sail so wind Lat obs 38° 03' South
Long Chron 22° 50' West

Tuesday March 2nd
First part light air from SSE and pleasant weather we steered
A Course E by S latter part light breezy from NW and overcast
Course E & E carrying all sail & employed setting up foretopmast
Stays so wind not anything like whale Lat obs 37° 56' South
Long per Chron 21° 00' West

Wednesday March 3rd
Commenced with increasing breezy from NW and rain
Rain Course E & E with all sail on we employed setting up
Foretopmast rigger middle part strong breezy from NW North
Vail as required at 6 A.M. strong gail from NW & N
took in maintop sail we steering East at 10 A.M. took in
Foretop sail and foresail and came to the wind head to the
NE set the maintop sail to keep head head to the wind
Gail still increasing with plenty rain so wind Lat obs 37° 45' South
Long by Chron 17° 45' West

Thursday March 4th 18.47
Commenced with strong gail from NW & N and thick
Rainy weather ships lying too under double reefed
maintop sail head up E & E off E & E at 1 P.M. set
the foretop sail middle part more moderate made
Sail and shifted of East latter part gail increased again
Double reefed the topsails so wind employed repairing the jib
Lat obs 37° 04' South
Long Chron 15° 45' West

Friday the 5th Commenced with
strong gail from NW and overcast Course E by S under double
Reefed topsails at 12.30 A strong squall from West accompanied
with rain took in the fore and main topsails at 1.30 P.M.
Close reefed the maintop sail and hauled the foresail and came
to the wind head to the NW by W. Boremate at 12.30 of thermometer
standing at 64° middle part more moderate set the main top
sail at 5 A.M. set the maintop sail and kept of E & E at 8
A.M. hauled all sail with Staved E & E at 10 A.M. strong
squall with the topsails on the Cape markhead then
Again when the squall was over so wind squally and very
Rain Lat obs 36° 44' South
Long per Chron 14° 18' West