

Remarks on Board the Bark Ocean Steer  
Russell Master

Friday February the 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day commenced with very light weather we employed on ship duty at sunset took in the light sail, & hauled up main sail the ship heading North by the wind Middle & latter part very light weather saw nothing so ended this day

Lat 12.01 - Long 37.32

Saturday February the 25<sup>th</sup> 1871

First part of this day tacked ship to the S.E. at sunset hauled up main sail & took in main top gallant sail & gaff top sail the weather still very light the ship still heading S.E. Middle part the weather a bit the same at day light set main top gallant sail & gaff top sail & main sail saw nothing so ended this day

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Sunday February the 26<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day commenced with very light weather the ship heading N.W. we still employed on ship duty fore nothing at sunset took in light sail & hauled up main sail Middle part the weather a bit the same the ship heading S.E. at 10 pm tacked ship to the North saw nothing so ended this day

Lat 12.05 - Long 37.35

Monday February the 27<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day commenced with fine breeze at 2 am tacked ship to the S.E. at sunset took in the stay sail, & hauled up main sail & fore sail Middle part fresh wind at day light kept off N.W. at 8.30 saw black fish latter part fresh wind the ship still steering N.W. so ended this day

Lat 11.45

Long 37.56

in the North Atlantic ocean looking fore sperm whales

Tuesday February the 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

First part of this day strong wind from S.W. & the ship steering N.W. under 2 low top sail, jib main top mast stay sail & mizen stay sail at sunset saw a spout to the South we luffed to too the wind on put tacked by the wind Middle part fresh wind & very rugged at 6 pm breakfast took off bread & kept off N.W. in latter part the weather a bit the same saw nothing so ended this day

Lat 11.27 - Long 38.26

Wednesday March the 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

This day commenced with strong wind & very rugged the ship still steering N.W. under 2 low top sail & fore sail at sunset hauled up fore sail & luffed to too the wind on & tacked Middle part the weather a bit the same at day light kept off N.W. & hauled up spanker & set fore sail saw nothing so ended this day

Lat 11.45 - Long 39.37

Thursday March the 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

This day commenced with fine weather the ship still steering N.W. at 3 am luffed to too the wind on & tacked at sunset the weather the same Middle part fresh breeze at day light wave ship & steered N.W. & on went the up main top sail to repair it saw nothing so ended this day

Lat 11.47 - Long 39.52

Lat 12.08 - Long 40.47

Friday March the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1871

This day commenced with very pleasant weather the ship heading N.W. by the wind at sundown hauled up main sail still heading N.W. by the wind Middle part the same at day light set the stay sails fore top sail & main & on went the up main top sail to repair it saw nothing so ended this day