

Remarks On Board Ship Janus of New Bedford, Mass.

Remarks Monday December 14th.

Balm weather heading E.N.E. at 4 P.M. saw a Right Whale lowered and missed him, had a light breeze from the S.W. at about 6 P.M. lowered again and galled the second mate says, that I galled him out of the chance of striking this whale, and also a sperm whale, on the 26th of December 1862, and I deny the assertion, he being my boatswain in as a witness against me, on the sperm whale, & he says, he thinks I did.

Middle part light baffling breeze from S.W. the ship on both tacks during the night. Latter part strong wind with squalls from the S.W. heading Southward, at 12 Am. & gale, close reefed the main topsail, were round and headed to the N.W.W.

Lat 43.30 S.

Long 77.53 W.

Remarks Tuesday December 15th.

A gale from the S.W. heading N.W.W. moderating at 6 P.M. set close reefed fore topsail.

Middle part the wind veered to N.W.W. heading from S.S.E. to West, had some rain.

Latter part strong wind from the N.W.W. heading to the S.W. squally and thick weather in the evening at 7.30 P.M. were round and headed to the North under short sail, saw a finback.

Lat 43.28 S.

Long 77.44 W.

Remarks Wednesday December 16th.

Strong breeze from the N.W.W. steering E.S.E. saw a finback, at 5.30 P.M. steering N.E. smoky and haze.

Middle part strong wind from the N.W.W. steering N.E. at 11 P.M. laid to the wind and headed North, the wind baffling to S.W. had some rain close reefed the topsails, galled foremast.

Latter part a heavy gale from the S.W. with squalls of wind, and a heavy sea. The ship heading to the N.W. under close reefed main topsail, Spencer's and Staysails.

Lat 44.55 S.

Long 76.33 W.

Remarks Thursday December 17th.

A heavy gale from the S.W. with squalls of wind, and a heavy sea the ship heading N.W. and N.W.W. split the main topsail, goose winged it, and reefed the courses, in case we should want to use them, at 4 P.M. the gale moderating.

Middle part the gale moderated, heading to the N.W.

Latter part strong breeze from the Westward, steering N.E. sent down the main topsails for repair.

Lat 44.12 S.

Long 76.21 W.

Remarks Friday December 18th.

Strong breeze from the N.W.W. steering N.E. had some rain, finished the main topsail and bent it, the wind baffling to the S.W. at 6.30 P.M. spoke the Bark Islander of Nantucket Capt. back nothing since seeing him last.

Middle part fresh breeze from the Westward heading to the S.W. with the main topsail aback.

Captain Joseph H. Cornell, A.S. 1863.

Latter part fresh breeze from the Westward, baffling with squalls the ship steering different courses towards the Island Huego bearing to the N.E. about 15 miles off, saw finback & humpback, broke out a keg of butter, & filled up the Butth.

Lat 43.40 S.

Long 74.59 W.

Remarks Saturday December 19th.

Fresh breeze from the Westward, baffling to the S.W. steering different courses at 6 P.M. heading S.W. squally, parted the main topsail that at 4.30 P.M. was round and headed to the N.W.W.

Middle part squally with fresh breeze from the Westward baffling the ship heading to the N.W. had a few hail squalls.

Latter part fresh breeze from the S.W. baffling steering different courses from N.E. to N.W. the land in sight, sent down the fore topsail for repair, saw finback & humpback.

Remarks Sunday December 20th.

Fresh breeze from the S.W. baffling heading to the N.W. saw one sail, at 4 P.M. tacked to the South, finished the fore topsail, and bent it, at 6 P.M. spoke the Bark Fleck of New Bedford Captain Sauer, nearly 4 months out clean.

Middle part fresh breeze baffling from South to S.W. standing off and on, at Huego.

Latter part fresh breeze with squalls, the wind baffling from South to S.W. the ship standing off and on, at the Island Huego, saw Killis and humpback, the Bark Fleck in sight to leeward.

Remarks Monday December 21st.

Light breeze from the South, the ship standing off and on, at the Island Huego, saw humpback, and a Bark to windward.

Middle part light breeze from the South, the ship working to windward.

Latter part the same, saw a finback, two sails in sight, and the Island Huego.

Remarks Tuesday December 22nd.

Light breeze from the South, steering different courses, cruising at 6.30 P.M. gaming with Bark Glaunder of Nantucket, and Fleck of New Bedford, saw humpback.

Middle part strong breeze from the South, standing off and on, at the Island Huego, at 7.30 P.M. saw blackfish going to windward.

Latter part wind the same, cruising, two sails in sight and some finback's, & Huego, the Islander has seen sperm whale once, at sunset, since we spoke her last, but did not get any, they was close to the ship & going quick Southward.

Remarks Wednesday December 23rd.

Strong breeze from the South, cruising off Huego, under double reefed topsails.