

December 27th 1858
ropes, and main top gallant foot ropes. cooper setting up casks. the third mate Stewart and Duff. is sick yet. Lat. 6° 8' N. Long 74° 12' W.

28th Fine weather light breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. cooper a setting up casks. carpenter and the old man is repairing the boat that got stove in the straits by a whale. on the 17th they made new fly jib guys and sent them out. made new main top gallant lifts. broke out for butter. Lat 5° 10' N. Long 74° 8' W.

29th Fine weather light breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. cooper setting up casks. carpenter and the old man to work in the stowen boat. repaired the main top lifts and foot ropes. making a punyarn for bone. caught 30 ship jacks. Lat 2° 8' N.

30th Fine weather light breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. made new bowsprit shrouds and sent them out. cooper setting up casks. carpenter to work on the stowen boat. repaired the main top gallant sail and fly jib caught 20 ship jacks to day saw a school of whales just at dusk but could not tell what they were. supposed them to be sperm whales. Lat 2° 22' N.

31st Fine weather light breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. cooper is setting up casks. carpenter and the old man to work repairing the stowen boat. the mate lost part of his spy glass over board from mast head to stern. put new caps on the fore rigging and back stays broke out for water. saw hump back whales. Lat 0° 38' N.

Crossed the Equator.

January 1st 1859
Fine weather moderate breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. carpenter finished repairing the Boat. this afternoon broke out a barrel of pork. made new fly jib foot ropes. we crossed the Equator last night saw porpoises and hump back whales. Lat 1° 35' N. Long 74° 12' W.

2nd Fine weather strong breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. the third mate Stewart and Duff are sick yet saw some porpoises and grampuses. Lat 3° 25' N.

3rd Fine weather light breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. cooper setting up casks carpenter to work on the boat. broke out the fore hold for shucks and water the fore top gallant sheet parted to day. broke out the rum for cheese. saw nothing. Lat 2° 45' N.

4th Pleasant weather moderate breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. cooper to work setting up casks. carpenter to work making a new fore top mast cross tree. broke out the after hold for shuck heads. and maulasses. saw porpoises. Lat 5° 12' N.

5th Fine weather light breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. cooper setting up casks. Duff is to work with the cooper to work in the hold making new stowage. saw nothing. Lat 7° 25' N.

6th Fine weather light breeze from the S. E. steering on the wind heading S. E. cooper setting up casks sent up a new fore top mast cross tree set up the fore top mast stays fly jib stay and jib stay. some of the fore mast hanks got swept. Lat 8° 20' N.