

Ship La Fayette Towards

Sunday Sept 22nd 1844

Commenced with strong breezes from E.S.E. and cloudy weather heading S.E. by the wind at 6 P.M. took in the 3rd & 4th sails. Mid past the same at 7 A.M. saw sperm whales commenced 2 boats struck 1 whale to the S. Boat got him close and first time cut the hump off the weather being thick and rainy, and very rugged lost sight of him. Latter part employed in working to the windward looking for the whale.

Lat. 37.50
Long 42.30

First
Killed
and lost



Monday Sept 23rd

Commenced with strong breezes from E.S.E. and some fog. Squalls employed in looking to windward looking for the above mentioned whale and sail in sight steering by the wind to S.E. Mid past pleasant. Latter part strong breezes and rugged took in 3rd & 4th sails. Latter part 1 sail in sight.

Lat. 38.45 W
Long 41.35 W

Tuesday Sept 24th

Strong wind and rugged weather with a high swell from E.S.E. wind from same heading S.E. under close reef 3rd & 4th sails. at 8 P.M. took in 3rd & 4th sails. Mid by Latter part strong gales from E. bying under close reef. Main 3rd sail.

Lat. 38.10 W
Long 41.20 W

Wednesday Sept 25th

Commenced with strong gales from E. and a high sea heading S.E. at 4 P.M. saw a ship steering W. at 6 P.M. was ship to E.S.E. wind moderate set the fore sail reefed at 8 P.M. took in 3rd sail. Latter part some rain squalls at 10 A.M. set the fore sail.

Lat. 36.22 W
Long 40.24 W

Cape Horn 1844

Thursday Sept 26th

Commenced with strong winds from S.E. and rugged heading S.E. at 3 P.M. set double reef top sails. Main sail 3rd & 4th sails. Mid past strong breezes. Latter part the same.

Lat. 36.42
Long 38.38

Friday Sept 27th

Commenced with strong breezes from S.E. with passing clouds heading E. by the wind 1 sail in sight steering to the E. Mid and Latter part the weather much the same.

Lat. 37.20 W
Long 38.13 W

Saturday Sept 28th

Strong breezes from S.E. with passing clouds heading E. by the wind saw nothing employed in ship's duty. Mid and Latter part strong breezes saw nothing of note.

Lat. 37.44
Long 34.25

Sunday Sept 29th

Commenced with strong breezes from S.E. with passing clouds heading E. main single reef top sails. Mid past double reef. Latter part rugged steering E. by 3rd variation compass. Sprits 4th & 5th sails.

Lat. 38.00
Long 31.40

Monday Sept 30th

Commenced with strong winds from S. and rugged weather steering E. by S. at 6 P.M. took in main sail 3rd & 4th sails. at 10 P.M. was ship to W. Mid past rainy at 3 A.M. was to E. at 6 A.M. before to the wind heading S. by W. Latter part thick and rainy.

Lat. 37.50
Long 30.30