

Ship Leonidas

Wednesday March 25 1840

First part fresh gales from West
An under double reef Middle Moderate
all sail set Stead tower & aboat later
light & overcast At high sunn Course East
An hint At I sail to repair & bent another
Berrameter rises gradually during these 24 hours
at 12 merid 59 5/10 No Observation

Thursday 26

First & middle parts of these 24 hours
Small breezes from West to North & overcast
later light from NW to West & pleasant
watch employed in repairing I sail first
part saw finbacks Course East

Latitude Obs 39-03

Long at Meridian by Lunar 62-55

Berram 274 By Chronometer 63-31

Friday 27

First part of these 24 hours Small
breezes from West Middle from SW to SSW
& some squally later lively breeze from
ESE & passing Clouds I took aboard
saw nothing Course East watch employed
in sundry jobs

Latitude 38-23

Berrameter 30-2 Long at 10-30 W by Lunar 64-08

Saturday 28 By Chronometer 64-35

First part of these 24 hours fresh
breezes from ESE & fair Middle strong
from East & squally Double reef
later rainy at 4 tacked ship to SE

Berrameter 30-2 to 1st No Observation

Sunday 29

First part of these 24 hours strong breezes
from ESE to SE squally & rainy weather under
Double reef I took aboard Middle light &
bustling & Cloudy later calm clear & pleasant
saw 1 large shoal of sperm whale porpoises
at a distance

Latitude 38-01

Long at 9 AM by the mean of 4 lunars 62-45

By Chronometer at 2 P Meridian 64-45

At that we could see some whales & take them likewise
I long to make a commencement of hunting in our case
as the weather is such at times that it is no doubt
that this voyage is tedious

Towards N. Holland

Monday 30 of March 1840

First & middle parts of these 24 hours
light breezes from NW to West & fair
At 3 AM heavy rain thunder & lightning
at 5 fair set all sail again Course S E
Ends with lively breeze from South &
fair

Latitude 37-59

Long at 11 AM by Lunar 64-19

at 2 PM by Chronometer 66-18

Tuesday 31

First part lively breezes from S E
& passing Clouds Middle fresh from
SW & Cloudy later strong from
SSW Cloudy & same met under single
reef saw nothing Course S E

Berrameter 30-1st Latitude 37-47

Long at 4 PM by Chro 68-57

By yesterdays lunar 66-56

Wednesday April 1st

First part of these 24 hours strong breezes
from SSW Cloudy & light rain Middle
Moderate at 1 AM wind halled to WSW
set light sails Ends with fine breeze
fresh West & mostly Cloudy all sail
set about 11 AM to repair Course S E

Latitude 37-54

Thursday 2nd

First part of these 24 hours light
breezes from WSW Cloudy with light
rain Middle same fog at 1 wind shifted
to WSW lively breeze later fresh breezes
& passing Clouds saw several breaches
halled back but saw them no more supposed
them to be grampases kept of & set standing
again Course S E

Berrameter at Meridian By Chro Long at 4 PM 73-38