

Remarks on board the Bark Maria of New Bedford

Monday, September the 12th

1862

First part very pleasant steering S.W. with all sail set saw many porpoises & finbacks small fish at 3 P.M. steered North by N. at Sunset many porpoises around the ship & took in all light. Middle & latter part very light breezes at Daylight & at shade of black fish past the ship at 9 A.M. saw a rather shoal of black fish at 11 A.M. saw a rather shoal of black fish employed on the ship about 10 miles the Day.

Sat. by alos 14 miles South
Long by Chron 10° 10' 52" West

Tuesday, October the 14th

First part very light winds few small fish around the ship steering S.W. by N. with all sail set at Sunset took in all light & sail but main top Gallant sail & steered S.W. by N. Middle part fine pleasant weather still steered S.W. by N. at Daylight light breeze. Latter part very light breezes saw nothing employed on the ship about 10 miles the Day. Sat. by alos 14 miles South
Long by Chron 11° 38' West

Wednesday, October the 15th

First part employed on the ship duty steering from N.E. by N. to N.W. by N. at 4 P.M. saw finback & porpoises at Sunset very light breeze took in the spanker sail. Middle & latter part light air at Daylight. Saw bent fore sail to rope saw nothing so employed repaired the fore sail. Sat. by alos 23 miles South
Long by Chron 12° 44' West

in the Pacific ocean looking for Sperm. Whales

Thursday, October the 16th 1862

First part employed repaired the fore sail at one P.M. finish the fore sail & bent it. Saw bent the fore sail to a point at 3 P.M. finish & bent it steering S.W. with all sail set at Sunset the weather very pleasant. Middle & latter part light air at Day, light breeze out water saw few finbacks 10 miles the Day. Sat. by alos 23 miles South
Long by Chron 13° 52' West

Friday, October the 17th

First part steering S.W. by N. with all sail set very light air at Sunset very pleasant employed on the ship duty. Middle part very light air heading S.W. by N. with all sail set at 9 A.M. commenced turn in main rigging saw several finbacks & porpoises steering S.W. by N. still the wind very light 10 miles the Day. Sat. by alos 5 miles South
Long by Chron 14° 22' West

Saturday, October the 18th

First part employed turn in main rigging sail. Many finbacks steering S.W. by N. with very light air with all sail set. Middle & latter part light breezes. Latter part very cloudy still work on the main rigging saw several finbacks & porpoises very fine weather 10 miles the Day. Sat. by alos 8 miles South
Long by Chron 15° 16' West