

Ship Martha's Log Book On A Whaling Voyage

Remarks on Tuesday 24th Jan^r 1837.
 Commenced with fresh breeze from the South by the wind
 to the NW at 10 AM. saw ships at the South.
 at 11 AM. saw two white whales going South to the
 Westward. Hauled a black but it came on a snow
 squall did not draw so early with fresh breeze from
 the SW. (to be made in the 8th). 47.20 S 70.20 E

Wednesday 25th Jan^r 1837.
 Fresh breeze from the SW by the wind to the NW
 at 10 AM. the wind hauled to the NW. more ships. at 11 AM.
 latter part thick fog at 12 AM. were ships to the NE. so
 ended with fresh winds from the NW. and very thick
 fog. (to be made in the 8th). 47.40 S 70.30 E

Remarks on board Thursday 26th Jan^r 1837.

Moderate breezes from the NW and thick fog
 reading to the NE under short sail. at 1 AM. were ship
 to the South. Wind N by E at daylight. at 10 AM. were ship
 to the NE. at 11 AM. made the North part of the Island of
 Isolation being 1/2 by compass. stood in for
 the land. so early with strong wind and fog squall
 at 12 AM. under the N. end of the Is. were two
 ships. 20 miles off Isolation. 48.50 S 70.50 E

Remarks on Friday 27th Jan^r 1837.

Fresh winds from the NW at 10 AM. found that we
 could not fetch the Loran station off NE. at 11 AM.
 hauled a whale to haul for a mizen top sail
 at 12 AM. saw a ship to the NW. with no breeze.
 Middle part moderate at 12 AM. were ship to the South
 at daylight. at 1 AM. double reefed top sails. at 8 AM. stood
 NW. E. latter part fine breeze from NW. 49.45 S 71.10 E

Remarks on Saturday 28th Jan^r 1837.

Fine breeze from the NW at sundown saw two whales
 took in sail head to the North. at daylight. Middle
 sail by the wind to the NE. so early with fine breeze
 from the North and slowly. 50.40 S 71.40 E

Remarks on Sunday 29th Jan^r 1837.

Fresh breeze from the North and thick
 by the wind to the East. at 10 AM. the wind
 hauled to the Westward. at daylight. at 1 AM. double reefed top
 sail. stood NE. E. N. so early with fine breeze from
 the North. 51.40 S 72.00 E

See Indian Ocean Charles Fisher North 1837. Remarks On board Monday 30th Jan^r 1837.

Commenced with fine breeze from the West steering
 N by W under double reefed top sails.
 at 11 AM. the wind hauled to the Northward. at daylight
 at 1 AM. double reefed top sails latter part strong wind from NW
 employed repairing sails. 50.40 S 72.00 E

Remarks on Tuesday 31st Jan^r 1837.

Strong gale from the NW of 3 PM. hauled four mizen
 top sails. at 5 PM. hauled mizen at 6 PM. hauled fore sail.
 Middle part the same. at 8 PM. hauled mizen and thick
 fog. latter part the same. 49.20 S 73.20 E

Wednesday 1st February 1837.

Light air from the North and fair weather.
 Middle and latter part the same light air & thick
 fog. hauled to the Eastward by the wind. 49.50 S 74.10 E

Thursday 2nd February 1837.

Commenced with moderate breeze from the North and thick fog
 saw a number of whales past the same at 8 AM. saw a whale but it was too rough
 and thick to lower at 10 AM. were ship to the Westward. saw a
 number of whales so early with strong breeze and thick
 fog. 50.40 S 75.00 E

Friday 3rd February 1837.

at 1 PM. were ship to the Eastward. at 1 AM. hauled four mizen top sails
 double reefed at 3 PM. hauled mizen & put on a whale past the
 line and he went off with two grans.
 at 11 AM. the wind hauled to the South were
 ship to the NW. latter part heavy gale from the South & squally
 lying too head to the West. 51.30 S 75.40 E

Saturday 4th February 1837.

Strong gale from the South by NW and heavy squally
 at 1 PM. were ship to the South. Middle part squally at 4 PM.
 Made sail to the South at 7 PM. saw a ship steering NE. ran off for
 her at 9 PM. hauled to the wind to the NE. at 10 PM. with fresh
 breezes from the Westward & squally. 52.40 S 75.10 E

Sunday 5th February 1837.

Fresh winds from the West by the wind to the North at 2 PM.
 were ship to the NW. at 4 PM. double reefed top sails.
 Middle part fresh breezes from the Westward and
 thick with a rough sea at 11 AM. ran off to the East
 at 12 AM. hauled mizen & whales. 53.40 S 75.10 E