

Ship Mary cruising on the St Helena ground July 1853
Friday July the 8th

SW SE Light air & calm fine weather bent the fore top
sail the watch Employed Repairing the main
top sail saw sulphur bottom & a diamond
fish Middle & latter parts light breeze & fine W
the watch Repairing the main top sail leak as
before saw fin backs Lat by orls
Long by chron

Saturday July the 9th

NW ESE Light breeze & fine weather seen fin backs the
Employed Repairing the main top sail
NW SE Middle & latter parts strong breeze & cloudy saw
fin backs & hump backs Repairing the main top sail
ships leak 200 S Lat by orls
Long by chron

Sunday July the 10th

SW SE Fresh trade winds & hazy bent the main top
sail saw hump backs at sundown double reefed
the top sails Middle & latter parts strong breeze &
squalls of rain saw fin backs leak the same
Lat by orls

Monday July the 11th

NW SE Strong trade winds & hazy under double reefed top
sails Middle & latter parts strong breeze & squalls
of rain started fresh at noon
ships leak 350 S Lat by orls
Long by chron

Tuesday July the 12th

SSW SE A strong breeze & hazy saw fin backs at sun
down shortened sail Middle & latter parts moderate
gale & cloudy under short sail the watch Employed
at different jobs saw fin backs leak 400 Lat by orls
Long by chron

Wednesday July the 13th

WSW SE Strong breeze & squalls of rain saw fin backs
& porpoises at sun down left to the wind
Middle & latter parts strong breeze & hazy under
close reefed fore & main top sails & fore sail
Leak as before Lat by orls
Long by chron

Ship Mary cruising the ocean for sperm Whales July 1853
Thursday July the 14th

NW SE A strong breeze & hazy under short sail
NW ESE Middle & latter parts strong breeze & squalls of rain
saw lots of young fin backs leak 350 strokes
Lat by orls
Long by chron

Friday July the 15th

NW ESE A fresh breeze & hazy under close reefed fore main
top sails & fore sail saw fin backs & fly fish
E Middle & latter parts moderate breeze & rain squalls
under close reefed top sails & fore sail saw fin backs
ships leak 250 S Lat by orls

Saturday July the 16th

NW ESE A light breeze & hazy under short sail steering NW
NW SE at daylight made all sail light breeze & hazy the
watch Employed painting the low sprit & spars
boats saw fin backs Leak 200 Lat by orls
Long by chron

Sunday July the 17th

NW SE A gentle breeze & fine weather all sail set seen fin
backs the watch Employed at small jobs
NW ESE Middle & latter parts moderate breeze & hazy saw
fin backs leak as before Lat by orls
Long by chron

Monday July the 18th

WSW SE Fresh trade winds & fine weather all sail set saw
fin backs Middle & latter parts fine breeze & pleasant
weather the watch Employed painting the water wings
and railing saw fin backs & flying fish leak 100 S
Lat by orls

Tuesday July the 19th

WSW SE A fresh breeze & light squalls of rain all sail set
the watch employed at different jobs
Middle & latter parts strong breeze & rain squalls
saw nothing Leak the same Lat by orls

Wednesday July the 20th

WSW SE Strong trade winds & cloudy all sail set
WSW ESE saw 1 fin back Middle & latter parts strong
breeze & cloudy one sail in sight steering to
the NE leak 250 S
Lat by orls
Long by chron