

Bark Mary Frazer of New Bedford

Monday Dec 21st

11.33

Begins with strong winds from West with clear weather ship under reefed topsails heading to the South, Middle part wind hauled to South, latter part light breeze from East ship on Northern tack

Lat 34:18 Long 158:00 East

Tuesday Dec 22nd

11.34

Begins calm, at dark light breeze from S.E. with fine weather ship under all sail heading N.W. Middle & latter parts good breeze from same quarter steered off to South

Wednesday Dec 23rd

11.35

Begins with strong winds from North with fair weather, steering off to South under all drawing sail at dark came to the wind on the Western tack, under close reefed topsails. Middle & latter parts moderate gale from North

Thursday Dec 24th

11.36

Begins with moderate gale from North with thick weather ship hove to on the Eastern tack under short sail Middle & latter parts wind the same with plenty of rain

Friday Dec 25th

11.37

Begins with wind moderating and hauling to the Westward, and weather clearing at dark wind S.W. with clear weather Middle & latter parts light breeze from South Lat 33:59 Long 158:36

Saturday Dec 26th

11.38

Begins with light breeze from S.W. with fine weather ship under all sail commencing Middle part calm latter part light breeze from S.E. with hazy weather. At 12 M. saw three large sperm whales, going quick to Windward, lowered three boats in chase

John & Nye. Master. On Middle Ground 1876

Sunday Dec 27th

11.39

Begins with good breeze from S.E. with good weather ship under all sail working to Windward, three boats in chase of sperm whales chased until nearly sunset but could not come up with them.

Middle & latter parts wind the same with fair weather at daylight steered off to N.W. for Howes Island

Lat 33:20 Long 159:31

Monday Dec 28th

11.40

Begins with fine breeze from S.E. with good weather ship under all sail steering N.W. by N. Middle part same at 12 midnight hauled aback latter part strong wind from East & rugged, at daylight, Howes Island in sight

Tuesday Dec 29th

11.41

Begins with strong Easterly winds & rugged with clear weather ship under reefed top sails & courses standing in for the land at 2 P.M. came to anchor under the lee of the Island and the Capt went on shore at 4 the boat returned, stood off on the Northern tack for the night Middle & latter parts wind the same with thick rainy weather. At 7 A.M. stood in and made the Land, and wore ship off shore on Northern tack under short sail

Wednesday Dec 30th

11.42

Begins with moderate gale from S.E. with thick rainy weather at 12 M. wore ship in shore wind increasing. At 6 P.M. the Island bearing S.E. 10 miles distant, wore ship to N.E. and hove to under close reefed Main topsails & staysails Middle part fresh gale from same quarter weather thick & rainy latter part the wind rather more moderate at a close reefed fore topsail and wore ship to South