

Bark Matita Sigs Capt Howland bound on
Remarks Tuesday Dec 5th 1860
Fore part the wind hailed round to the S & S W
hail round the yards heading S E employed
varnishing spar spars coiling a spar line
had some lightning & thunder the weather
having the appearance of some miracle &
latter parts squally with thunder & lightning
& some rain at 40 A M had a very heavy squall
raining in torrents No Obs

Remarks Wednesday Dec 6th
Fore part rainy the wind E S E, at 3 P M slacken
up raining miracle part cleared off latter part
fine weather at 6 1/2 A raised Black Fish got
breakfast & lowered away chace till 11 1/2 A M
without success Lat by Obs 7 11 40 N
Long by Chron 19 33 W

Remarks Thursday Dec 6th
Fore part fine weather with a light breeze from
the Eastward at 2 1/2 P M raised B Fish again
lowered & chaced till 5 P M without getting fast
the Capt knew one but we did not see
him after at 7 P M the wind N E steering
S E moderate breeze miracle & latter parts
the wind very light employed stopping blocks
&c Lat by Obs 7 11 40 N
Long 18 20 W

Remarks Friday Dec 7th
Fore part about calm employed overhauling
& stopping blocks saw a shoal of porpoises steering
to the N W the wind miracle & latter parts the
wind from the N steering S by E fine weather
Lat by Obs 6 11 14 N
Long by Chron 17 52 W

a Whaling Voyage to the Pacific Ocean
Remarks Saturday Dec 8th 1860
Fore part light air from the S E steering
S by E at 9 P M saw B Fish lowered away
the W Boat struck & saved the Boat
struck & lowered took the Fish aboard took
off his back at 4 P M the wind S heading
N, S W, miracle & latter parts light
variable winds got ready & commenced
boiling saw large quantities of B Fish lower
& chaced without success Lat by Obs 6 11 04 N
Long Chron 17 15 2 W

Remarks Sunday Dec 9th
Fore part light variable air firmishell seen
plenty of Black Fish in sight miracle part
had some rain squalls at daylight took
a light breeze from S E heading S W
saw B Fish & a large Bark to leeward
Lat by Obs 5 11 47 N
Long by Chron 17 44 W

Remarks Monday Dec 10th
Fore part light air from the S Eastward heading
to the S W with very warm weather we have a very
sick man forward by the name of Smith in
off duty most for a fortnight with trill frame
in the sea at intervals miracle & latter
parts variable winds Lat by Obs 5 11 16 N

Remarks Tuesday Dec 11th
Fore part calm at 6 P M had some rain
squalls with a little wind from the S East
course S W the wind soon died away
again miracle & latter parts much
the same Lat by Obs 5 11 08 N