

Rem. Matilda Seas, of Dartmouth the Capt. Howland
Remarks Friday Mar 22nd 1861

Fore part the wind dying away at 4 P.M. calm
employed stowing Anchors & cables cleaning up
deck. At 5 P.M. took a light breeze from the
N.W. heading to the W. land in sight to the
S.E. Middle part light wind & variable latter
part fine breeze from the S. steering N. by W. at 10 P.M.
A.M. saw any quantity of Whales to leeward. Innoon
I changed the powder to be Pump Backs. No. 10

Remarks Saturday March 23rd

Fore part the wind dying away the boats came on
board employed sorting over potatoes & stowing them
away in nets at 7 P.M. the wind very light. Middle
part much the same latter part light breeze from the
Southward employed at ship's duty. Lat by Obs 39° 48' S
Long by Chron 78° 03' W

Remarks Sunday March 24th

Fore part very light winds casting to the westward
saw a Ship ahead the land in sight on the S. beam
& quarter spoke the John Cox. Capt. Sean 9 m. out 800 lbs
middle part had some rain squally latter part storm
breeze from the S. steering in for the Island of Mocha
we were off the line at 12 o'clock distant 3 miles

Lat by Obs 21° 2' S
Long by Chron 77° 07' W

Remarks Monday March 25th

Fore part strong breeze from the S.W. steering N.W.
by W. one Sail we laced the Topso steering more
to the W. at 7 P.M. Mocha just in sight astern
middle & latter parts fine breeze saw plenty of Hump
Backs & Porpoises employed breaking out the after
hatch for Codfish found some Tongues & Livers
& got out some sugar Coffee &c. Lat by Obs 36° 08' S
Long by Chron 76° 12' W

crusing in the Pacific for Whales
Remarks Tuesday March 26th 1861

Fore part fine breeze from the S.W. steering N.W.
employed stowing off the After Hatch saw a number
of Birds standing to the Eastward at 8 P.M. the wind
blew S.W. saw a school of Black Fish going quick
to windward Middle & latter parts the wind light
Lat by Obs 34° 34' S
Long by Chron 78° 03' W

Remarks Wednesday March 27th

Fore part light wind from the S.W. heading N.W.
with fine weather the Island of Juan Fernandez in
sight ahead dist 80 miles Middle part light wind heading
for the Island of Juan Fernandez at sundown the land
dist 60 miles got breakfast when three Boats went
in fishing latter part calm

Remarks Thursday March 28th

Fore part calm the Capt went ashore got some fruit
& one Pig the other two Boats returned from fishing
at 7 P.M. Middle & latter parts light air & calm
steering to the S.W. employed cleaning & salting
fish the Topso in sight

Remarks Friday March 29th

Fore part light air from the westward heading N.W.
had a game with the Topso Middle part about calm
latter part took a light breeze from the S.W. heading
to the S.W. & Sails in sight. Lat by Obs 33° 33' S
Long by Chron 79° 19' W

Remarks Saturday March 30th

Fore part a moderate breeze from the S.W. heading
N.W. Juan Fernandez in sight on the Sea Quarter
at sundown the Island of Masafuso in sight
1 1/2 points on the leeward Middle & latter parts much
the same Masafuso bearing S.W. at 12 o'clock dist 40 miles
Lat by Obs 33° 33' S