

Bark Matilda Seas of Dartmouth Capt Howland

Remarks Tuna Feb 14th 1864

Fore part the breeze increasing at 1 P.M. the Greek tuffe too with the main yard aback shortly after we saw a large school of Spum Whales on the weather beam 2 1/2 miles off we were steering N by E when we saw the whales the wind from the E shortly after we saw three or 4 whales within 1/2 a mile of the ship going quick to windward did not lower shortly after kept off to the N again at 2 1/2 P.M. came in thick at 6 P.M. the Capt came on board from the Greek Perry double reefed the Top Sails filled the jib & I Parker heading E, S, E, made fast buzing on latter part a Gale from the S

Remarks Maud Feb 15th

Fore part a Gale from the South heading to the E, S, E, at 4 P.M. fore ship (Maud) fast manoeuvring latter part thick mace all sail heading to the N by S

Remarks Tuna Feb 16th

Fore part light air from the N, N, E heading to the N, W with some fog but Maud & Maud & latter parts foggy in in squalls saw two Sails employee at ship's entry

Remarks Maud Feb 17th

Fore part light breeze from the Southward steering W at 3 P.M. set in foggy at 6 P.M. took in the light Sails Maud & latter parts strong breeze employee repairing a Boat
Lat 34° 29' S

Remarks Tuna Feb 18th

Fore part fresh breeze from the E steering W saw plenty of Hump Backs & Porpoises Maud part fine saw Juan at 3 A.M. at daylight run down along the Tuna 3 Ships in sight

Cruising round Juan
Fore part light air from the S, W heading to the W Juan bearing S by W dist 13 miles saw plenty of Hump Backs employee at ship's entry Maud & latter parts Maud
Lat 33° 01' S

Remarks Tuna Feb 20th

Fore part fine breeze from S, W heading to the S, E employee overhauling the rigging to the Fore part Maud & Maud & latter parts strong breeze saw Maud & one Bark

Remarks Tuna Feb 21st

Fore part a fresh breeze from the S, E at sundown spoke the De Franklin of New Bedford Capt Manchester 2 years out 500 miles & latter parts cloudy weather two ships in sight

Remarks Maud Feb 22nd

Fore part fresh breeze from the S, E heading to the S, W the Maud in sight Maud & latter parts heading to the Eastward had some rain
Lat 34° 07' S

Remarks Tuna Feb 23rd

Fore part strong breeze from S, E heading to the E Maud in sight & two ships at sundown double reefed steering N, E Maud & latter parts heading to the E

Remarks Maud Feb 24th

Fore part fresh breeze from the S, W heading to the Eastward Maud part the same at daylight Juan in sight ahead at 9 A.M. one boat went in fishing the Capt went ashore got a Cove of Wood spoke the Rose Capt Mocombe 100 Whales & 40 Spum this year