

Bark Matilda Sears

Thursday Dec 17th

First part light air from South
with fine weather ship steering west by north
middle and latter part moderate breeze
at 6 A.M. passed to the north of the Island
of Marafuca dist 10 miles said four sails
Lat. 33° 35' S.
Long 81° 17' W

Friday Dec 18th

First part fresh breeze from S.S.E.
with fine weather ship by the wind heading
to the S.W. at dark was ship to the Eastward
and took in the light sails middle and latter
part the same at 10 A.M. was ship to the
S.W. Marafuca in sight Lat 33° 40' S.
Long 81° 34' W

Saturday Dec 19th

First part moderate breeze from
S.S.E. with fine weather ship by the wind
heading to the S.W. middle and latter part
weather the same at midnight was ship
to the Eastward spoke the Bark Anna
Rosa of Valparaiso at meridian
Marafuca to the N.E. 45 miles dist

Cruising for Spinn Whales. 1858

Sunday Dec 20th

First part fresh breeze from South
ship by the wind heading to the Eastward
middle and latter part light breeze with
fine weather Lat 35° 06' S.
Long 81° 08' W

Monday Dec 21st

Commences with light breeze
from W.S.W. with fine weather ship steering
S.S.E. middle part fresh breeze with
foggy weather latter part moderate gale
with rainy weather no Ob.

Tuesday Dec 22nd

Commences with moderate
gale from west with rain at 2 P.M.
took in the main gallant sail and
flying jib ship steering S. by E. at 5 do
down the reefed the Topsails and turned
up the lee boats middle and latter
part strong winds with squally weather
at midnight the wind hauled
to the Southward set the Topsails whole
said at 11 Lat 39° 59' S. Long 80° 00' W