

1878 *Stimulus* on board Bark Matilda Sears

Monday Sept 8th Lat 35° 38' Long 74° 45' W
Commences with light winds from S & S
West during C. H. Eard. Took in the light
Sails at sundown & luffed to the wind heading
S. E. and the hantles *Lucretia* fair. At
sun sight V. K. Jones & I saw 2 ships in
sight. Middle land hauld to W. S. West
Gather light breeze from W. S. West to N. W. West
Spring from East to N. East at 12 tacked
heading West with all sail set the hantles
fair. After *Lucretia* away & I saw & first
saw but pinkbacks in sight

Tuesday Sept 9th No Observations
Commences with light winds from N. W. West
in N. West steering W. S. West. At sundown
at sundown 5 pinkbacks in sight middle
land ship at 2 heading N. W. East latter Breeze
Cay fish with rain from N. West head wind shift
at 12 heading N. W. East the S. S. sails
three sail in sight

Wednesday Sept 10th No Observations
Commences with strong winds from N. West with
long heading N. W. West with close reefed topsails
& lower studding sail set and ship at 12 heading
N. East spoke the *Stamboul* the *May* & *Gabriel*
Sight in middle heading N. W. East latter fresh
Breeze from N. West with ship at 12 heading N
West with wind topsails set & sail in sight

Thursday Sept 11th Lat 35° 45' Long 75° 03' W
Commences with fresh Breeze from N. West
heading N. West with all sail set at 12 heading N. W.
East studding sail at sundown 3 pinkbacks
in sight middle heading N. W. East latter
light Breeze from N. West steering N. East
with all sail set more ship at 12 heading N. W. East
Broke out Breeze & I saw the *James Allen* *Quintus*
May & *Stamboul* in sight saw *Lucretia* &
P. Jones & *Grampus*

Cruising Off Cape

Thursday Sept 12th No Observations
Commences with light winds
light rain from N. West to N. W. West. Heading
from N. West to West shorted sail at sundown
the *May* & *James* & *Lucretia* & *Stamboul*
Lucretia in sight saw pinkbacks & *Grampus*
& *Grampus* in sight wind hauld to N. West more
ship at 12 heading N. West latter fresh Breeze from
N. West steering from N. West to N. East with all
sail set the same vessels in sight & one more windward

Friday Sept 13th Lat 35° 36' Long 74° 41' W
Commences with moderate winds & clear weather
from N. West heading N. West with all sail set
the *James* & *Stamboul* in sight so windward
saw the *James* & *Lucretia* & *Stamboul* & *Grampus*
Lucretia heading to West at sundown took in the
light sails & the *May* & *Stamboul* at two at 3 and
hauld to South latter fresh Breeze from South west
ship at 6 heading N. West sent down the main
top gallard sail to repair two sail on

Saturday Sept 14th Lat 36° 06' Long 74° 34' W
Commences with fresh Breeze from N. West steering
N. West with the main top gallard sail & set it
shorted sail at sundown & luffed to the
wind heading N. West one sail seen hauld in
hauld to N. East & more ship at 12 heading N. West
with a fresh Breeze & clear weather from N. East
steering North sent down the fore top gallard sail
& repaired it & sail on

Sunday Sept 15th Lat 35° 34' Long 75° 02' W
Commences with light winds from N. East to N. West steering
N. West gone with the *Lucretia* more ship & shorted sail
at sundown heading N. West with all sail heading N. West
latter fresh Breeze from N. West steering N. West
luffed to the wind at 12 heading N. West three sail
on