

1879 Remarks On board Bark Matilda Line

Thursday Jan 9th Lat 38°45' S Lon 75°14' West
First port Commencement with strong Breeze
with rain from West at 3 1/2 hauled to East
heading West shortened sail at sundown
saw Blackbird middle wore ship at 2 hault-
ing E S East latter strong Breeze from
South steering E by North saw Porpoises

Friday Jan 10th Lat 38°30' S Lon 74°23' West
Commencement with strong Breeze from
S by West steering E S East at 1 1/2
sighted the Island of Mocha & bearing
E S East by Compass at 4 wore ship
& steered N N West shortened sail at
sundown & pulled to the N in heading
W by East saw Blackbird middle wearing
N S East latter fresh Breeze from S S East
heading N West wore ship at 12 heading
East then sail run

Saturday Jan 11th Lat 38°45' S Lon 75°23' West
Commencement with strong Breeze from S S East
heading East gaged with the masts
shortened sail at sundown middle wore
ship at 2 heading S West latter fresh Breeze
from South steering N N West Breeze and better
the weather in night & a marked swell

Sunday Jan 12th Lat 37°15' S Lon 75°24' West
First port strong Breeze from S S West
steering N N East pulled to the wind heading
S East not anything seen middle wore ship
at 1 heading N S West latter fresh Breeze
from South heading N S West wore ship at
12 heading E S East not anything seen

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Tuesday Jan 13th Lat 37°24' S Lon 74°53' West
Commencement with fresh Breeze from South
heading E S East wore ship at 6 heading N S
shortened sail at sundown mid
heading N S East latter fresh Breeze from S S
West heading West not anything seen

Wednesday Jan 14th Lat 37°42' S Lon 75°51' West
Commencement with fresh Breeze from S S East
tacked at 1 1/2 heading S East shortened
sail at sundown saw 1 Fairback middle
heading E S East latter strong Breeze from
South wore ship at 8 heading N S West with
close reefed fore top sail & double reefed main &
lower staysails not not anything seen

Thursday Jan 15th Lat 37°24' S Lon 75°32' West
Commencement with strong Breeze from S S East
heading S West nothing of note transpired
middle heading S West latter strong
Breeze from S S East wore ship at 7 1/2 heading
East saw Fairbacks

Friday Jan 16th Lat 37°22' S Lon 75°47' West
Commencement with strong Breeze from S S East
heading East shortened sail at sundown
not anything seen middle heading East
latter strong Breeze from South wore ship at
7 heading N S West with close reefed fore sail &
lower staysails not not anything seen

Saturday Jan 17th Lat 38°22' S Lon 75°26' West
Commencement with strong wind from South
heading N S West with close reefed fore sail & lower
staysails not getting up grate transpired
my 11th wore ship latter fresh Breeze from South
heading E S East at 10 1/2 wore ship two fore sails
going by and the South at 11 lowered three boats
chain then the windward got down the boats
still in pursuit saw 1 or 2 Porpoises