

Journal of Bark Mattapoisett

Bound to the West Coast of Africa

Wednesday Jan 18th 1852

Lat. S. 34.50 First part light breeze from the Eastward
Long. W. 8.46 fine weather the Bark steering by the wind
on the Port tack Middle part fresh breeze
saw one sail latter part fresh breeze with
one or two light showers of rain damaged
the ship's hull of New Bedford Capt.
Patterson 15 months and 11 casks of sperm oil
camest until 2 P.M. so ends during
the day Brake out and covered the Board
and Breeze

Thursday Jan 19th

Lat. S. 34.53 First part fresh breeze from N.W.
Long. W. 7.50 the Bark steering E.S.E. under Topails
and courses Middle part and latter
part strong breeze the Bark steering
E.S.E.

Friday Jan 20th

Lat. S. 34.28 First part strong breeze from N.W. the Bark
Long. W. 7.10 steering E.S.E. Middle part light breeze the
Bark steering E.S.E. Latter part fresh breeze and
same sail ahead from S.W. the Bark steering
E.S.E.

Saturday Jan 21st

Lat. S. 34.00 First part strong breeze from about S.
Long. W. 6.38 the Bark steering E.S.E. Middle part fresh
breeze. Latter part light breeze from South
the Bark steering E.S.E.

Sunday Jan 22nd

Lat. S. 32.44 First strong breeze from about S.E.
Long. W. 6.51 Middle part light breeze and pleasant
the Bark steering by the wind on the Port
tack the latter part of the 24 hours

of New Bedford Capt. Stetson

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Monday Jan 23rd 1852

Lat. S. 32.55 First part light breeze from N.W.E. with
Long. E. 5.40 a light shower of rain Middle part
strong breeze and cloudy latter part
moderate gale from about N. took in
the light sails and chose reefed the topails
at 4 P.M. struck one reef out of the main topail
so ends the Bark steering E.S.E. under reefed
topails and courses

Tuesday Jan 24th

Lat. S. 32.55 First part strong breeze and some rain
Long. E. 5.40 Middle part moderate gale from about
N.W. Latter part fresh breeze the
Bark steering E.S.E. under main topail
sail Topails and courses

Wednesday Jan 25th

Lat. S. 32.28 These 24 hours light breeze and calm
Long. E. 7.27 the Bark steering E.S.E. under all sail
Wind from N to N.W.

Thursday Jan 26th

Lat. S. 31.53 These 24 hours light breeze and pleasant
Long. E. 8.05 weather Wind from E.S.E. to S. the
Bark steering by the wind on the
Starboard tack Brake out Water
during the day

Friday Jan 27th

Lat. S. 31.16 These 24 hours strong breeze from
Long. E. 9.03 about South the Bark steering by
the wind on the Starboard tack
at 4 P.M. reefed the fore topail
so ends this day