

Journal of Bark *Matapousette*
Cruising off the West Coast of Africa
Tuesday Feb. 21st 1882

Lat. S. These 24 hours light breeze and pleasant
19.40 Wind S.S.W. the Bark steering by the
Long. E. wind on the Port tack until sunset
16.01 then wore ship and took in light sails
Courses and single reefed the Topsails

Lat. S. Wednesday Feb. 22nd
20.10 These 24 hours fresh breeze from about S.
Long. E. the Bark steering W. until sunset then
8.58 took in sail and luffed to the wind on
the Port tack

Thursday Feb. 23rd
Lat. S. First part fresh breeze from about S.
19.30 The Bark steering N.E. until sunset then
Long. E. breeze latter part the same the Bark steering
8.35 N.E. by N. at sunset hauled up the Courses
and single reefed topsails and furlled the
Jib so ends

Friday Feb. 24th
Lat. S. These 24 hours strong breeze the
17.00 Bark steering N.W.E. under reefed
Long. E. Topsails and Courses saw a Sampson
8.32 Sprit from S. to S.S.W. at sunset
luffed to the wind on the Starboard
tack so ends

Saturday Feb. 25th
These 24 hours moderate gale from South
the Bark steering by the wind on the
Starboard tack under reefed Topsails
Courses jib and Spunkies hoisting. Lat.
at sunset bore to under these reefed
foresails and single reefed at the
main so ends

of New Bedford Capt. Stockman
Cruising off the West Coast of Africa
Monday Feb. 26th 1882

Lat. S. These 24 hours a very strong breeze
16.20 from about S. the Bark steering by the
Long. E. wind on the Port tack under reefed
8.27 Topsails and courses at sunset took
in the courses and jib so ends

Tuesday Feb. 27th
Lat. S. First part strong breeze from S.E.
16.08 the Bark steering S. until sunset then
Long. E. breeze latter part light breeze and fine
8.21 the Bark steering E.N.E. at sunset shortened
sail and luffed to the wind on the Starboard
tack saw a finback during the day

Wednesday Feb. 28th
Lat. S. These 24 hours light breeze from S.W.
and fine weather the Bark steering S.W.
Long. E. the wind on the Port tack abated
all sail at sunset took in sail
and hove to for the night

Thursday March 1st
Lat. S. First part strong breeze and fine
16.40 weather until sunset fresh breeze the
Long. E. Bark steering N.W.W. latter part strong
8.57 breeze at sunset shortened sail and
luffed to the wind on the Port tack
Wind about South saw Blackfish

Friday March 2nd
These 24 hours strong breeze and fine
weather wind from S.S.E. the Bark
steering N.W.W. until sunset
then I reefed the Topsails and
luffed to the wind on the Port
tack saw Sampanes during
the day