

Journal of Bark Mattapoisett

Cruising off the West Coast of Africa

Friday March 3rd 1882

Lat. S. These 24 hours moderate gale
15.44 from about South and cloudy
Long. E. weather the Bark steering by the
6.19 wind on the Starboard tack at sunset
have to under close reefed topsails

Saturday March 4th

Lat. S. These 24 hours very strong breeze
15.17 from about South and cloudy
Long. E. weather saw Pompanos and Sperm whales
7.12 The Bark steering by the wind on
the Starboard tack at sunset took
in sail and hove to for the night

Sunday March 5th

Lat. S. First part strong breeze from about
15.05 South middle part light breeze latter
Long. E. part fresh breeze saw Pompanos the Bark
8.07 steering by the wind on the Starboard
tack at sunset shortened sail
and hove to for the night

Monday March 6th

Lat. S. These 24 hours light breeze from about
S.W. S. Weather cloudy saw Killers
Long. E. the Bark steering by the wind on
the Starboard tack at sunset have to
under single reefed topsails

Tuesday March 7th

Lat. S. These 24 hours light breeze from about
15.00 South and fine weather the Bark
Long. E. steering by the wind on the Starboard
9.56 tack at sunset have to under
single reefed topsails

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Wednesday March 8th 1882

These 24 hours light breeze from
about S.W. S. and cloudy weather
the Bark steering by the wind on the
Port tack under all sail saw Pompanos
and Porpoises at sunset have to
under single reefed topsails

Thursday March 9th

Lat. S. First part light breeze from S.W. with
5.06 thick clouds weather and some fog
Long. E. middle part light air and cloudy latter
7.19 part light breeze the Bark steering by the
wind all day at sunset have to for
the night under close reefed topsails

Friday March 10th

Lat. S. First part light air and light
5.01 rain and fog middle and latter
Long. E. part light breeze and fine weather Wind
7.31 from about S.W. at sunset have
to under single reefed topsails for
the night and the Port tack

Saturday March 11th Antone Gonsalves off Duty

Lat. S. These 24 hours light air from S.W.
5.00 The Bark steering by the wind on the
Long. E. Port tack at sunset have to under
7.32 single reefed topsails Antone Gonsalves
off duty with a sore leg

Sunday March 12th

Lat. S. These 24 hours light air from
5.07 about South the Bark steering by the
Long. E. wind on the Port tack at sunset
7.19 have to under single reefed topsails
Antone Gonsalves still off duty