

Journal of Bark Matagorda
Cruising off Ascension Island
Thurs. Jan- 9th 1883

These 24 hours fresh breeze from S.E. with fine weather the Bark steering N. by E. on the first part of the day latter part steering by the wind saw the Island and saw two sails the Capt. employed in repairing the Stern Boat at sunset took in the light sails so ends

Wednesday Jan 10th

This day fresh breeze with some light passing showers of rain the Bark steering by the wind on the Port tack saw one sail and at sunset saw the Island bearing N.W. by N. so ends this day

Thursday Jan- 11th

The first part of these 24 hours strong breeze from S.E. with fine weather the Bark steering N. by E. saw the Island and one sail. Latter part fresh breeze the Bark steering by the wind on the Starboard tack

Friday Jan 12th

These 24 hours fresh breeze from S.E. the first part the Bark steering W. by N. latter part steering by the wind on the Port tack also saw the Island bearing N. by E. saw one sail during the day so ends finished repairing the Boat

Saturday Jan 13th

These 24 hours strong breeze from S.E. the latter part saw squalls with light showers of rain saw the Island, hatched the Starboard Boat and put her on the cranes. the Bark steering by the wind on the Starboard tack the most of the day so ends

Journal of New Bedford Capt. A. L. Stuckey
Cruising off Ascension Island
Sunday Jan- 14th 1883

These 24 hours fresh breeze from S.E. the Bark steering by the wind on the Port tack saw the Island and saw one sail steering Northward so ends

Monday Jan- 15th

These 24 hours strong breeze from S.E. the Bark steering by the wind on the Port tack heading about S.W. by S. saw Albatross during the day so ends

Tuesday Jan- 16th

These 24 hours fresh breeze from S.E. weather fine the Bark steering by the wind on the Starboard tack heading E. by N. so ends

Wednesday Jan 17th

These 24 hours fresh S.E. winds with fine weather the Bark steering by the wind on the Starboard tack the watch employed in making Spungum

Thursday Jan- 18th

These 24 hours light breeze with fine weather the Bark steering by the wind on the Starboard tack heading E. by N. saw a school of Porpoises

Friday Jan- 19th

These 24 hours fresh breeze from S.E. with fine weather the Bark steering by the wind on the Starboard tack until 2 P.M. then stood off West until 6 P.M. and heeled to the wind on the Port tack under short sail saw two schools of Porpoises during the day