

Remarks on Board Brig Medford 1850

April the 18 Commences with fresh gales from N.W.
Steering S.E. Middle part the same latter part more
moderate Squally with rain No obs 34:00

April 19 First of this 24 hours light winds from
North Steering S.E. Set the main sail at 6 & all took
in the main sail at 8 & all fresh gales from North
and heavy Squalls took in and furl'd fore top sail and
fore sail hove to under main staysail Middle part
heavy gales and very Squally Ends the same

Lat 33:03

April 20 Commences with fresh gales and Squally
Set fore sail and steer'd of S.E. Middle part more
moderate Set fore top sail and main sail at 8 & all
put out the Boats all hands Employ'd fitting Boats
Ends with pleasant gales and fine weather
Steering E by S

Lat by obs 32:38

April the 21 Commences with brisk gales from West
Steering E by S all hands Employ'd on Ships Duty
Middle and latter part Ends the same
Steering East by South maul the mast heads
for a look out for Whales the first time
No obs

April 22 First and Middle part of these
24 hours Brisk gales from West North West
Squally with rain Steering E by South
at 10 AM saw a strange sail Steering S.E. Ends
Squally with rain wind backing to N.E.
Set top sail and furl'd the main sail
No obs

April the 23 Commences with brisk gales from North East
steering by the wind to the Southward and Eastward
Set quarter watches Middle more moderate at 6 & all
set the main sail Steering by the wind S.E. by S
Ends with gentle breezes from N.E. and
pleasant saw black fish saw a strange sail
Steering to the Southward and Westward

Lat 32:00

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First part of these 24 hours fresh breezes from North
Steering East all hands Employ'd on Ships Duty at 6 & all
Shortened sail heading to the North East
Middle part light winds and pleasant Ends with
fine breezes from West Steering E by North
all hands on Ships Duty

Lat by obs 31:25

April 25 Commences with fine weather Steering
East by North winds West and West N.W.
Middle and latter fresh breezes and Cloudy
weather Steering E by N all hands Employ'd
as usual on Ships Duty

Lat by obs 32:00

April 26 Commences with brisk winds at West
Steering E by N at 6 & all raised a School of sperm
whales going quick to windward leaved the Boats but
to no purpose took up Boats and Shortened sail
heading to the North Middle part strong breezes and
passing clouds saw hump backs saw an English
bark Steering the Southward Ends with fine
breezes from North East Steering by the wind
E by S

Lat by obs 32:27

Remarks on Board Saturday April 27 1850

First of these 24 hours strong breezes
from North East Steering by the wind N.E. & E
Middle and latter moderate winds and Cloudy weather
Steering by the wind to the Eastward all hands
Employ'd on Ships Duty Lashed up our cutting
pendants saw some Squail

Remarks on Board Sunday April 28

All these 24 hours strong breezes
from the Eastward Steering by the
N.E. saw fin backs saw one sail

Lat by obs 33:02

Remarks on Board Monday April 29
Commences with fresh breezes from East
Steering by the wind N.W. & E middle part the
same at 6 & all tacked ship to the Southward
and Eastward saw fin backs spoke the Schooner
J. H. Hobart of Providence R.I. 18 days from Charleston
S Carolina bound to California Capt Nathan saw several
other sail Steering to the South

Lat 33:50

Long in 45:00