

Remarks on Board Brig Medford Nov 1851
Cruising in Mona passage

- Wednesday
Feb 19th
1851 First part good breeze from the North East
latter part moderate & calm cruising between Cape
Roxo and Stacheco island saw humpbacks and
three or four vessels
- Thursday
Feb 20th
1851 Comes in and goes with light breezes and calms cruising
in Mona Passage between Cape Roxo & the island
of Monoc at 5 PM spoke the Sloop "Loring" Province
saw, clear lowered for humpbacks but could not
strike
- Friday
Feb 21st
1851 Comes in with a light wind all around the compass
ends the same saw three sail of vessels cruising
to the windward of Cape Roxo lowered for
black fish but had the same old luck
- Saturday
Feb 22nd
1851 Comes in with the wind all around the compass
laying to the windward of Cape Roxo saw
humpbacks and several sail of vessels with
a light breeze from the N. East
- Sunday
Feb 23rd
1851 Comes in with a light breeze from the N. West
at 4 PM saw a large school of black fish lowered
two boats and got 7 cut them in this morning
went to work cleaning the carcasses and turning
the blubber. saw 8 trail of vessels ends light
breezes & calms
- Monday
Feb 24th
1851 This day comes in with a light breeze from
the N. East and fine weather ends
with the wind from the N. West pleasant
saw five or six vessels commenced trying
out our fish
- Tuesday
Feb 25th
1851 Comes in with a light breeze from the N. West
at 4 PM the wind hauled around N. East lowered
for black fish but did not catch any this morning
a light breeze from the northward lowered for
humpbacks but did not get past the Loria still
in company with us. saw sail of vessels
- Wednesday
Feb 26th
1851 Comes in with a light breeze from the N. East
this morning quite a fresh wind and squally
saw black fish lowered and caught one
saw 10 sail of vessels cruising of Cape Roxo
- Thursday
Feb 27th
1851 Comes in with a strong breeze from the N. East
cruising off Cape Roxo in company with the Loria
this morning quite a strong breeze set reefed topsail
at 10 o'clock took in mainsail and set the
trysail

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- Friday
Feb 28th
1851 Comes in with a strong breeze from the
north east laying off and on Cape Roxo the day
ends with light winds and variables. one man
sick saw several sail of vessels among which
was the Loria
- Saturday
March 1st
1851 Comes in with a strong breeze from the N. East
cruising to the leeward of Cape Roxo in company
with the Loria. we lowered for humpbacks but
we could not come it over them. saw several
sail of vessels. our sick man no better.
- Sunday
March 2nd
1851 Comes in with a light breeze from the N. East
which gradually increased till this morning when it
blew a strong breeze and was enough here to abate
nove to all day saw the Loria to the leeward of us.
the sick man appears better. saw humpbacks.
- Monday
March 3rd
1851 Comes in a strong breeze from the North East. first
part here to make sail this morning steering N. N. W.
run down in sight of Mona and Stacheco. saw
two or three sail of vessels among which was the Loria
at 8 PM lowered the larboard boat and went ashore
to trade for fruit but could not find anybody at home
we went ashore at Cape Roxo
- Tuesday
March 4th
1851 Comes in calm and light variable winds. took in
sail at sunset this morning quite a fresh breeze
from the northward and eastward steering back and
took between Porto Rico & Stacheco saw humpback
and three sail of vessels
- Wednesday
March 5th
1851 Comes in with a strong breeze from the N. E.
at 4 PM took in mainsail and reefed topsail hauled
down the gib set the trysail laying to the north
ward saw a barque & schooner this morning
run off for Mona at 12 PM was close in with
Monoc.
- Thursday
March 6th
1851 Comes in with strong breeze from the north east
at 1/2 past 2 o'clock came to our anchor on the south
side of Mona island in 7 fathoms of water
all hands employed setting the rigging for 8 AM
ends blowing strong with squalls of hail
- Friday
March 7th
1851 Comes in moderate and fine weather laying
at anchor on the south side of Mona. at 7
o'clock PM got underway and stood out to the
S. E. kept off this morning N. N. W. at 10
saw the isle of Laona it still blowing fresh
running under topsail & trysail saw humpbacks
and three sail of vessels