

Barge Midas Op. New Bedford Bound

Sat 30.50

Sunday March 6th 1859 Remarks on board Midas
This day begins fine pleasant weather & ships in
sight Middle part fine Latter part fine spots
Ship gideon Howland got some few yards from
her saw 2 wright whales laying still making
a fine chance for striking but as usual drove
them off by opposition with other boats and this
is it if I could strike you should not
End of in our general gain at night with the
following ships J. D. G. H. C. P. M. S. & end
These mainly found home on board of Midas

Long 135.50

Sat 30.52

Monday March 7th 1859 Remarks on board
This day begins fine rain storm Middle part
thick and rainy Latter part clear light breezes
From the N.W. and N.E. 4 ships in sight
At 8 am saw two wright whales lowered 4 boats
galley the whales the J. D. boat struck the same
whales part some 6 or 7 hours last this whale
So ends this day on board of the Midas
The whales here are very scattering and wild
strong breezes most of the time thick and rainy
We have spoke few ships that has been past
to whales in this sea and neither of them
has killed their whale Conclusion to day

Long 136.65

Sat

Tuesday March 8th 1859 Remarks on board
This day begins thick cloudy weather & sail in
sight saw two wright whales at 6 pm took
in sail to double reef topsails the J. D. near
By Middle part thick and rainy took ship to
the westward Latter part thick to the E.
Thick and rainy set fib and mainsail
At 12 noon took in fib and mainsail
Blowing fresh in squalls and thick and
rainy Capt. Tallman unwell with the
bowel complaint

5.50 obs.

Long

On the Whaling Voyage. D. R. Tallman Master 1859

Sat

Wednesday March 9th 1859 Remarks on board
W. H. W. This day begins thick stormy weather ship
under double reef topsails heading to the
W. H. W. at 6 pm took ship to the eastward
C. by N. Middle part strong breezes the bow boat forward
Crane broke down stow a small hole in the bow
N. W. " Op. the boat Latter part thick rainy weather
Set mainsail S. fib soon took them in again
N. H. W. " It blowing strong from N. E. and a very heavy sea
N. by W. " So ends the day on board of the Barge Midas
No observation this day of our Lord 1859

Long

Thursday March 10th 1859 Remarks on board
Sat 31.28 Courses This day begins with a moderate gale from
N. H. W. The N. E. thick and rainy and a tremendous
heavy sea on at 5 pm took in the fore topsail
At 6 pm took in the spanker close reef
N. by N. " The maintop sail is looking very windy nothing
But bad weather in this country at least
In this sea Middle part blowing strong Latter
C. by S. Part much the same set double reef topsails
Saw one sail bearing S. E. so ends this day
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Sat 31.30 Courses Friday March 11th 1859 Remarks on board
C. This day begins strong winds from the N. E.
Ship under double reef topsails heading to the
C. N. E. Eastward a very heavy sea on Middle part
fresh breezes from N. E. Ship under double reef topsails
Ship heading to the westward took ship at 13
to the eastward Latter part more moderate making
N. E. More sail saw nothing of note so ends this day
Long 136.04
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