

Barge Midas of New Bedford Mass. On

Satt 31 186 Course Saturday March 12th 1859 Remarks on board
This day begins with moderate breezes from the
Northward ship under double reef topsails ft
And mainmast saw one sail bearing N.E. steering
N.E. sounded found 53 fathoms water soft muddy
Bottom middle part middle part fine latter part
Fine one sail in sight saw nothing of note
So ends this day on board barge Midas
These N.E. winds will hang on allways
By all appearances now this in Providence
Bring up in Rhode Island

Satt 32 186 Course Sunday March 13th 1859 Remarks on board
This day begins fine pleasant weather ship heading
to the Eastward under all sail saw two wright
Whale going fast to the N.E. they shifted their
Course to S. Lowered for them without success
Spoke ship G. Howland got a maintopsail
yard our being sprung in the slings middle
part light winds and fog middle part latter part
Clear and pleasant strong breezes from the N.E.
Employed in fishing maintopsail yard saw
Two sails saw gulfsport Island bearing N.E. W.
Center dist 15 miles so ends the day

Satt 33 186 Course Monday March 14th 1859 Remarks on board
This day begins clear strong breezes in company
with the G. Howland saw a merchant barge
beating to windward that is N.E. at sun set
Spoke Island bare N.E. and N.E. W. dist
10 miles ship heading to S.E. under double reef
topsails and ft. middle part thick and rainy
At 9 took ship to the northward saw 3 sails
So ends this day

C. Whaling Tugage, P. R. Tallman Master N. D. 1859

Satt 33 186 Course Tuesday March 15th 1859 Remarks on board
This day begins drk. cloudy strong breezes from
N.E. the gideon Howland in sight stood in
to gulfsport Island at 3 pm took to the S.E.
C.S.E. middle part thick and rainy latter part fine
And pleasant weather saw the group of islands
Called dist 20 miles at 9 am took ship
To the N.W. with fresh breeze from N.E. S.E.
Saw several finbacks and a plenty of birds
The ship Gideon Howland near at hand
So ends the day on board the
Barge Midas of New Bedford Mass.

Satt 33 186 Course Wednesday March 16th 1859 Remarks on board
This day begins with fine pleasant weather
in company with the Gideon Howland
took ship to the eastward under all sail
Saw nothing of note to day is the only good
day we have had in ten days. middle part
middle part fine latter part much the same
Saw gulfsport Island saw small islands in the
mouth of the straits so ends this day
On board of the Midas in company G.H.
In all appearances of the weather it looks
like roasting rain I hope it may
Come west ... disappointment

Satt 33 186 Course Thursday March 17th 1859 Remarks on board
These 24 hours begins with fine pleasant weather
Ship under all sail heading to the eastward
At 5 pm spoke the G.H. at 6 pm left ship
C.S.E. light winds and freshening up some
latter part fine clear ship C.S.E. in company
with the Gideon Howland latter part wind
Came to the N.E. at 6 am made the island
C.S.E. Kilauea lying in the middle of the straits
Of course wind freshening at 12 noon ship
To under close reef maintopsail it blowing
heavy in squalls the G.H. nearby