

Barque Midas of New Bedford Mass. Bound On a Whaling Voyage. J. R. Tallman Master. A.D. 1859

April

Sat 13.54 Courses.. Saturday 16th 1859 Remarks on board Midas
H.C. These 25 hours comes in fine saw nothing of
by compass. Note capt Halsey from the Milton came on board
Capt Tallman very unwell. Middle part
Moderate breeze from the N.W. Latter part much the
The same ship Milton in sight employed in ship
Duties pickled down turnips put up store in
The cabin saw a plenty of birds so ends the day

Song 15.53.

Sat Courses.. Sunday April 17th 1859 Remarks on board
H.C. This day comes in fine and pleasant light wind
From N.W. steer N.E. by compass ship Milton
Sight Middle part light winds latter part
H.C. Strong breeze from the eastward one sail in sight
Supposed to be the Milton heading the N

Song

Sat Courses Monday April 18th 1859 Remarks on board Midas
This day comes in a snow storm from the
N. ship under double reef topsails at sun set too
In fit and mainsail Middle part a gale
Latter part much the same so ends

Song

Tuesday Monday April 19th 1859 Remarks on board
This day comes in a gale from
N.E. at 3. pm wind dies out some
sits in very heavy rain and a crops
heavy sea on Mid part plenty of
Snow latter part much the same
Only more of it say 4 inches deep in sea
Rather blue looking times pretty cold at
Allerents Mittens hosts big jacket and a plenty
Of flannel comes in good play about this time
So ends the day on board the Midas

Song No obs.

Sat by Dr Course Tuesday Wednesday April 20th 1859. Remarks
This day comes in thick snow storm from
N.W. ship laying to under close reef
Mainsail. Mid part thick snow storm
Latter part more moderate sit foresail head to
The westward. so ends this day judge ourselves
To be 100 miles from land the weather now
Looks rather better at present birds pair pair
Good day on the morrow so ends the
Day on board the Barke Midas

Song by Dr.
153-40 No obs.

Sat 16.18 Courses Thursday April 21st 1859 Remarks on board
This day comes in fine winds from the north
And a very heavy swell on ship under double
Reef topsails and mainsail heading to the
N.W. Middle part more moderate
At 6. Am. made all sail steer N
At 10. Am. thick snow. At 12. mid clear up
Some kept ship away N.W. for American
Island. so ends this day on board the Midas

Song 152.00