

Ship Montpelier Cruising for Sperm Whales
Tuesday Dec 15th

Begins with light air from S and a thick fog at 6 AM
took in sail and lay to the W all night saw plenty Fin
Backs at daylight a strong breeze and thick fog set
I sails at 9 AM and shifted to W S W and then
off more ship, and about to the W S W plenty Fin
Backs saw ends the day Lat 40.30

Wednesday Dec 16th

Begins with a strong breeze from W S W standing
to the W all night plenty Fin backs in sight at 3 PM
double reefed the topsails and took in the M. Sails
fell and sprang out sundown took in sail as
usual and lay to the North all night
at daylight made all sail and steered
so ends the day Lat 34.12 Long by Sun 113.58

Thursday Dec 17th

Begins with a strong breeze from W S W
and overcast weather at 3 PM saw 2
Merchant Sailing ships steering to the E at sundown
took in sails as usual at daylight set I
sails and courses latter part wind increased
took in I and Mizen I sails so ends blowing
a Gale from S W ships laying to the W
nothing in sight No Observation

Friday Dec 18th

Begins with a Gale from S W ships laying
to the W and part the same at daylight
more moderate set I sails and steered
so ends the day Wind from S W nothing
Lat 37.00

Saturday Dec 19

Begins fine weather with a strong breeze
from S W steered N at sundown took in
sails and lay to the N W at Midnight more
ship at daylight made all sail and steered
N E then Ends Light air from S E
and pleasant saw nothing Lat 35.55
Long 112.15

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Sunday Dec 20th

Begins with Light air from S E and pleasant
steering N E at sundown took in sail and
to the Eastward at daylight made sail and
steered N E Ends the same nothing Lat 34.57
Long 112.08

Monday Dec 21st

Begins with a strong breeze from S E steering
N E at 3 PM Single reefed the I sails at
sundown took in sail and lay to the E
at midnight more ship latter part a strong breeze
from S E steered to the N E under double
reef I sails so ends saw nothing Lat 34.31 = 112.58

Tuesday Dec 22nd

Begins with a strong breeze from S E
steering to the N E at 2 turned 1 reef out
the I sails and set the Main sail and
fell at sundown took in sail and more
ship to the S at midnight more ship Lat
part a strong breeze from S W steered
to the S E at 10 AM made the S W
breeze of the Hallows Bearing N E dist
40 miles so ends Lat 34.35 Long by Chron 113.35

Wednesday Dec 23rd

Begins fine weather ship standing up
shore at 2 saw a ship standing to the
S E at sunset shortened sail middle
part the same at daylight set I sails at 10
double reefed so ends sails in sight Lat 34.25
Long 114.10

Thursday Dec 24th

Begins with a strong breeze from S W
standing on dig. took under double
reef I sails one sail in sight middle part
the same at daylight set double reef I sails
Concluded with Light air from S W
standing to the S E all sail set so ends the
day employed in Mending Fore Topsail
Nothing in sight Lat 34.22 Long 114.24