

Ship Napoleon Pacific Ocean James A. Crowell Master.

Wednesday Oct 15th 1857

Pleasant Breeze from the Southward, heading S by E. Put up new fore stay Rigging and back stays. Latter part fresh Breeze. A small share of deer came on board this morning. Poor things. It must have had a hard time of it. For we are 450 miles from the nearest land. It must have been some days without anything to eat, or drink. I put out some water cress on deck, and it gradually cranked some. I placed some crumbs of bread on deck, but it would not eat. To night we threw a large rock Roach down before it, quickly tore that to pieces and devoured it. We gave it some spiders to eat. I then caught it and put it to rest in the Potato pen. So ends.

Lat 3-46 Long 88-35

P. S. Sailors like pets. What is the reason they think so much of the women?

Thursday Oct 16th

Pleasant Breeze from the Southward, heading E. S. E. Latter part fresh Breeze. My little Pet is dead. It must have been sick or died of hunger. It was the poorest thing I ever saw. Lat 2-53 Long 88-28.

Friday Oct 17th

Fresh Breeze from the Southward, heading E by S. Latter part strong Breeze. One of our Boat Stewards, Benj. H. Baker, Middlesex Co. Ct. Sealer's son of New Bedford, is quite sick. His disease appears to me like the he raises a great deal, and complains of his throat being stopped up. He can get nothing down but gruel. Father & Boy; I pity him. Sick has been a good way. He has not received a letter from his friends the voyage. I fear they will not see him again. Lat 2-57 Long 86-12

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Sat Sunday Oct 18th 1857

Fresh Breeze from the Southward, heading E. S. E. I expect we are going in to leave the Sick Man. We have seen whales since we started. But we shall lose nothing by doing right. We know not when our turn may come. Latter part strong winds. Saw Porpoises. Another long and lonely Sabbath is past. Lonely, because I am not what I ought to be. Was my heart right? There would be no solitude in it. O I long for home. Lat 2-32 Long 84-35

Monday Oct 19th

First part strong Breeze from the Southward, heading by the wind E by S. Latter part more moderate. My Breast plagues me again. I feel a distressed feeling in my Breast, or just below my throat. And pains in my back and Breasts. Lat 2-10 Long 83-01

Tuesday Oct 20th

First part moderate Breeze from the Southward, heading E. S. E. Latter part some squally. At 5 P. M. raised Vulpers Island bearing S by W Dist 12 miles. At noon women's Island in sight bearing S Dist 18 miles.

Wednesday Oct 21st

First part fresh Breeze and squally, heading East. Latter part moderate Breeze from the S. S. E. Saw Porpoises. Lat 1-37 Long 80-35

Thursday Oct 22nd

Pleasant Breeze from the S. S. E. heading East. Latter part fine. Lat 1-11 Long 88-58