

1834. Remarks on Board Ship Nile of New Bedford.

Remarks. May.

Thursday 29

Begins with moderate winds from the S.E. and fair weather, middle a fresh breeze, latter part pleasant gales and clear.
Finished hauling about 5 A.M. and chased up the deck.
Steered to the S.W. till 4 A.M. to the S. till 6 to the N.E. till 12 and to the S. the rest of the day. A ship in sight to the N.W.
Long Chs at 8 A.M. 103.23
Lunar 101.31 Lat. 46.5.18.

Friday 30

Begins with a pleasant breeze and fair weather, middle and latter part a fresh breeze and flying clouds. Saw a finback in the forenoon, and a sail to the Northwest. Steered to the N.E. till 2 A.M. to the S. till 4 and to the N.E. the rest of the day.

Lat. 46.5.30

Saturday 31

Begins with a fresh breeze and fair weather, middle and latter part strong breezes. At 11 A.M. looked for whales and succeeded in killing one; a ship to leeward and her boats chasing. Steered to the N.E. till 4 P.M. to the S. till 10 to the N.E. till 2 A.M. to the S. till 9 A.M. and N.W. till 11 A.M.

June.

Sunday 1

Begins with a fresh breeze and a heavy swell, besides a sharp sea middle and latter part the wind more moderate and fair weather. Got the whale to the ship and cut in his body in the afternoon, lay by his head till morning then cut it in and made sail and steered to the N.E. till 10 A.M. and to the S. the remainder of the day. Bled through the night and after cutting in the head.

Lat. 46.3.48.

Monday 2

Begins with a fresh breeze from the S.E. and clear weather middle the wind at S.E. and has light squalls of rain, latter part a strong breeze and clear. Working all this day. Saw a sail to leeward the first part of the day, sailing, and due to windward the latter part. Steered to the S. till 4 P.M. to the N.E. till 7 A.M. and to the S. the rest of the day.

Lat. 46.3.48

Tuesday 3

Begins with a strong breeze from the S.E. and squally, middle & latter part the wind very light and some squalls. Finished hauling at 7 P.M. Saw a ship to windward the first part of the day, working, latter part 2 H. to leeward. Steered to the N.E. till 6 A.M. and to the S. the rest of the day.

Long Chs. at 1 P.M. 101.44

Lat. 46.3.25.

James Townsend Master, on a whaling Voyage. 1834.

Remarks. July.

Wednesday 10

Begins with a moderate breeze from the eastward and fair weather, middle cloudy, latter part light winds. The first part of the day steered down the water on the side and chased up the deck, latter part, some it was altering fore & aft, other variously. Steered to the Northwest till 2 P.M. to the S. till 4 till 6 A.M. and to the N.E. the rest of the day.
Long Chs at 10 P.M. 97.42 Lat. 46.3.4

Thursday 11

Begins with light winds from the eastward and cloudy, middle & latter part much as the first. Went the fore & aft the fore & aft of the day, latter part sent down the main mast, repaired it & put some of the rigging about the yard & sent it up again, mended the main topmast, mended and bent it again. Steered to the Northwest till 6 P.M. to the S. till 12 P.M. & to the N. the rest of the day.

Lat. 46.3.4

Friday 12

Begins with light winds and flying clouds middle much the same latter part clear. The first part of the day sent the fore & aft, mended it & bent it again, latter part bent & sent fore & aft masts. Steered to the N.W. all day.
Long Chs at 5 P.M. 96.57. Lat. 46.3.45.

Saturday 13

Begins with a light breeze from the S.E. and clear weather, middle a pleasant breeze and cloudy, latter part clear. Steered in to the N. all this day. By an observed distance between the sun & moon the day 95.28
Long Chs. not bent 98.26 Working the Chs 2.58 to the N.W. Lat. 46.3.4

Sunday 14

Begins with a pleasant breeze from the S.E. and fine clear weather middle and latter part flying clouds. The wind S.E. by E. Steered to the N.W. and N.E. through the day. Saw nothing worthy of remark.
Long Chs not bent. 96.45
Lunar 93.50 Lat. 46.2.30

Monday 15

Begins with light winds and cloudy, middle and latter part light winds & baffling from S.E. to E. cloudy and squalls of fine rain. Saw nothing worthy of notice this day.

Long Chs at 1 P.M. 92.18

Lat. 46.1.44