

# 1834 Remarks on board Ship Nile of New Bedford

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Saturday 16. Begins with a pleasant breeze and flying clouds, middle and latter part light showers of small rain. Steered to the eastward all this day. Employed in repairing the mainsail.

Lat. 41° 15'

Sunday 17. Begins with light winds from the S.E. & S.W. and flying clouds middle and latter part much as the first with light showers of small rain. Steered to the eastward all this day with all sail set by the wind. Employed the first part of the day at work on the mainsail, latter part being Sunday S. & R. not much of any thing.

Long. 70° 51' W. 86° 27'

Lat. 41° 44'

Monday 18. Begins with a pleasant breeze from the S.E. and flying clouds middle much the same, latter part the wind from S. cloudy & squally till about 10 P.M. afterward quite fair. Steered to the eastward all day. Employed the latter part of the day, in picking over some potatoes, & such on the mainsail. Various other jobs.

Long. 70° 51' W. 85° 29'

Lat. 41° 51'

Tuesday 19. Begins with a pleasant breeze from the S. and flying clouds, middle a very fresh breeze, latter part cloudy. Steered to the S.E. all day. Employed in repairing the mainsail. Saw a ship to leeward about 4 P.M. which remained in sight all the rest of this day, but dropped astern.

Long. 70° 51' W. 84° 25'

Lat. 41° 57' longitude

Wednesday 20. Begins with a fresh breeze from the south and cloudy, middle the wind light, latter part a pleasant breeze and foggy in the morning but lighted up with broken clouds towards noon. Steered S.W. till 9 P.M. Saw the Sd. of Rata soon after sunrise, at 9 saw a ship to the northward. Shifted the mainsail the first part of the day, broke out the after hold & took up a cask of oil and some empty cask for water.

Long. 70° 51' W. 82° 54'

Lat. 41° 16'

Thursday 21. Begins with light winds and cloudy middle and latter part a pleasant breeze foggy a spell in the morning, but broken towards noon. Soon after noon spoke ship, Edmund Russell, Barnard, of Troy. 21 Nov. and 1950 lbs. board of Tom Cox. The land in sight and 2 sail at the end of the day. Steered about N.W. along the Coast for Point Galera.

Lat. 41° 16' S.

# James Townsend Master, on a whaling voyage

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Sunday 22. Begins with a light breeze from the S.W. and flying clouds middle much the same, latter part a fresh breeze and broken clouds. The first part of the day steered N.W. & N. along shore, saw a barque working to windward, at night took in the first set, in the morning run in under Point Galera and came too with the small boats, and got a raft of cash on shore.

Monday 23. Begins with a pleasant breeze and flying clouds middle much the same, latter part clear. Got a raft of cash on board about sunset in the morning started it and sent the cash on shore again, but company of soldiers forbid us taking any more water from this got underway and run down about 20 miles to leeward.

Tuesday 24. Begins with a fresh breeze and clear weather, at 2 P.M. came too with the small boats, and sent some cash on shore after sunset and one boat stopped on shore and filled it, in the morning got underway and steamed away.

Wednesday 25. Begins with a fresh sea breeze and clear, sent the cash on shore again with one boat which turned through the night and filled it, in the morning got it off and took it on board, and sent one boat on shore to cut wood, which came off with a load about 12 M. and hands drawing down water.

Thursday 26. Begins with a fresh sea breeze and flying clouds, got off four barrels of wood, and steamed down the water, calm through the night, in the morning a light breeze, went on shore three loads more after fruit &c. & landed the passengers which came from Santa Rosa.

Friday 27. Begins with a pleasant sea breeze and clear weather, middle of wind very light and cloudy, latter part a light breeze and fair weather. Henry Brooks, Richard Moore, Charles Blacked & Wm. Wilkins, James would not return on board the ship at sunset according to order but secured themselves, in the morning went on shore with a boat and the came on board. At 3 P.M. got underway and stood out to sea, kept in raising the anchors, cables and clearing up decks.

Saturday 28. Begins with a fresh breeze and fair weather, middle and latter part rather less wind and broken clouds. The first part of the day employed in stowing away fruit, the latter part took down a boat from overboard that we had been using, took out her ceiling, varnished her sides put the rigging in again and commenced painting her inside several parts during the day. Saw a sail point before sunset in for the land & another the latter part being to windward.