

Ship Omega. Steering towards Cape Horn.

6 days **MARCH** Thursday the 21st

First part of this 24 hours light baffling air from the East. Landing in particular thick fog and rain employed taking up the sheeting. That was put down 70 months ago. Middle part wind heaved to the Westward and squally. Squared the yards for Saint America and made all sail. Latter part set the South 44 1/2 Steering Sails. Latter part at noon the wind veered 1/4 1/2 to light S. E. ends.

Friday the 22nd

First part a moderate breeze from the Westward. All sail Course East by South. Middle part a 44 1/2 Constant grain Steering Sails low and aloft. Latter part fine pleasant weather employed making a Main top Gallant Sail and getting a fore royal aloft and getting ready.

Saturday the 23rd

First part of this 24 hours a fresh breeze from the Westward. All sail out. Course East by South. At sunset took in the Steering Sails and braced Ship by heading East by South. Middle part a high swell setting 45 1/2 from the North and every appearance of blowing on 161. Middle part very squally accompanied with hail and lightning at 4 P.M. experienced a heavy squall from the North. Scattered all hands and hoisted the Ship too under a double reef Main top Sail at 7 P.M. the wind heaved to the West. Set whole top Sails Steering off East. Employed making a Stiff span out of the Old sheeting for the Sprig and also turning Sails to the breeze. S. E. ends.

Sunday the 24th

First part of this 24 hours blowing strong from the West and a high sea. We runnery before it to the E.ward under a whole fore and 45 1/2 Main top Sail and fore Sail. Middle part 158 1/2 a much the same. Saw a hail squall occasionally at daylight. Set the Main top Gallant Sail. Latter part Manoeuvring. Set the Steering Sails. This 24 hours the Ship has taken 200 Strokes and hoisted S. E. ends employed keeping the Sabbath and turning Sails to the best advantage and S. E. ends.

Homeward Bound

10 days **MARCH** Monday the 25th

First part of this 24 hours a moderate breeze from the West. All sail out. Steering Sails. Main and left Course. East by South. a high swell rolling after us and fine pleasant weather.

Middle part wind heaved to the North. Ship heading East. At daylight took in Steering Sails and hoisted up the yards.

Latter part a fresh breeze and blowing on 45 1/2 thick foggy disagreeable weather employed repairing 15 1/2 old split blocks and pumping Ship and turning Sails to the breeze.

Tuesday the 26th

First part of this 24 hours a fresh breeze from the North and thick foggy weather and a high swell. All Steering East and fore Sails at 1 P.M. blowing on. Took in top Gallant Sails and double reefed the fore and Main top Sail at 4 P.M. Set the fore top sail whole at 7 P.M. blowing on from the North and thick rain squally weather. Double reefed the fore and Main top Sail.

Middle part blowing a gale from the Ship to the East. Under a double reef Main top Sail at 5 P.M. the wind heaved suddenly to West. Set whole top Sails and Steered East. A bad sea running and very irregular at 7 P.M. heaved to S. W. Wind blowing on running S. S. Steering N. E. before the Sea in order to save our Boats.

Wednesday the 27th

First part a fresh breeze from the S. W. Steering East. R. East inclining to Moderate. Made all sail a high swell rolling from the S. W. Middle part Set all the Steering Sails low and aloft and steadily.

Latter part fine breeze and pleasant weather. Course East by South. All sail out. 45 1/2 employed. Making a Main top Gallant Sail and 15 1/2 of Cotton Swath and other duty. S. E. ends.