

The Bark Osceola sailed from New Bedford Sunday January 2^d 1859 bound to the Pacific on a Whaling voyage. the following is a list of her Officers and crew

O. F. Hamblin	Captain
M. F. Hogan	1 st Mate
E. H. Woodell	2 ^d "
Geo H. Wilson	3 ^d " & Boatsteerer
Geo S. Robinson	Boatsteerer
Peter Marvin	" Churchman
Julius Spindall	Steward Portugese
Berj Wilcox	Shipkeeper
Deserted Cha ^s . Boyle	Seaman
Discharged John Le Barron	" Mattapanett
John Dyer	" Tringetown
Deserted Samuel Cooper	" Philadelphia
William Howard	" St. Helena
Wm S. Cobb 3 ^d	" Senaka Oahu
Wm Barnard	"
James Keenan	By Chantuckett
E. B. Leamerel	Carpenter
Died Lewis H. Littlefield	New York
Discharged Roman Probasiao	Portugese
Deserted Jacob Jeffus	New York
" Thomas Cameron	Cook

Bark Osceola at Sea January 10th 1859

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This day commenced with a strong wind from the North East. about 10 took in Main top gallant sail and single reefed the topsail. Middle and latter part the same with passing showers of rain. it being so very wet that we could not carry on work.

We are now out from New Bedford eight days and have had a succession of heavy gales. Yesterday we took the waist boat on deck and turned the larboard up on the cranes both boats being somewhat stove by rooling them under. This noon saw a school of Blackfish but did not lower. the weather has been so bad that we have not had anyone to the mast heads but once. Since we sailed I have been very unlucky in having sore hands. So that I cannot work. We have not seen but one or two sail since we have been out. Whoever reads this I hope will excuse the writer as it is very rough and the forefinger of my right hand is done up in a cott and it is with difficulty that I can write so I must bid you good night. Course S. E.

Thursday January 11th 1859.

This day commenced with heavy squalls accompanied with rain about 5 o'clock shook the reef out the topsails and set the topgallant sails, about 10 the wind shifted to the north west and a very heavy sea running. Middle part cleared off quite pleasant. Latter part took in the fore topgallant sail and set up the backstays. passed a large piece of plank had the appearance of being in the water for some time. hove the log and found we were going at the rate of eight knots an hour. My hands are a little better but I cannot work much yet.

Course S. E. E. Wind N. W.

Wednesday January 12th 1859

This day commenced with a fine breeze and squalls. Middle and latter part very fine. passed a piece of a spar painted white. the mate and carpenter bus repairing the waist boat and finished about 4 o'clock. broke out water and put on the bow sprit shrouds. about 3 o'clock the wind hauled into the S. W. and nearly calm.

Course S. E. E.