

Wednesday April 6th 1859

This day commenced with a very light air and cloudy. Middle and latter part calm. There has been several Finbacks and a school of Grampuses in sight also an abundance of birds flying around the bark. The second mate has been at work on his boat smoothing her off as he is going to paint her. Got up a two flued iron for a head iron for the Starboard boat. This afternoon broke out some meat as that we got on. Last was not very good, scarcely anything of note occurred.

15 days out. Calm

Thursday April 7th 1859

This day commenced with a light breeze from S.W. and cloudy about the middle of the forenoon handed the light sails strong breeze about three P.M. reefed the topsails between 4 and 7 handed the trutopsail, jib and mainsail. there has been not much work carried on only the carpenter fitted a brace box and made some cleats to go on the starboard boat cranes, also painted the chain cutting freestants. there has been a sail in sight most all day on our lee quarter. Fresh gale from S.W. and the bark here too.

Op. Op. W. 16 days out.

Friday April 8th 1859

This day commenced with a strong breeze from N.W. W. about 1 P.M. we ship and set the foresail and futchsail the wind having shifted to S.W. W. at daylight made all sail with the wind abast the beam, and quite moderate, a very heavy head boat was running, about the middle of the forenoon the wind freshened, handed the light sails and reefed the futchsail. Middle and latter part strong breeze and squalls.

Wind S.W. W. Course Op. Op. W. 17 days out.

Saturday April 9th 1859

This day commenced with a fresh gale accompanied with heavy hail and rain squalls from S.W. W. About 11 P.M. took in Main top Gallant sail and reefed the Main topsail and fabled the main sail and jib. Middle part the same with the top gallant sail over reefed topsail. Blowing very fresh with heavy squalls.

Latter part carrying sail hard and making on an average 9 1/2 knots an hour. the bark labored very hard and took a good deal of water on deck, sunning free and makes bad weather of it.

Wind S.W. W. Course Op. Op. W. 18 days out.

Sunday April 10th 1859

This day commenced with a fine strong breeze from South but a heavy sea on steering N.W. E. Middle part more moderate and mangled the masts. saw a Finback. Latter part fine breeze and clear about 11 P.M. raised a sail ahead and soon came up to her she was a large merchantman and passed within an eight of a mile of us. it being dark could not make out her name nor he could not stop for us he was under double reefed topsails and courses heading S.W.

Wind South Course Op. Op. W. 19 days out. Lat 44° 15' Long 80° 20' West

Monday April 11th 1859

This day commenced with a very light breeze about daylight it fell calm. Middle part the same. Latter part a strong breeze from N.W. W. handed the light sails the weather looks threatening.

This morning got the cutting freestants out of the hold and covered them with canvass and then lashed them at the main mast head. took the starboard boat line out like two to day and coiled it down again after four o'clock.

Wind N.W. W.

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