

Barge Pacific Cruising In The North

Saturday Sept 4th Comes in with light air from the N.W. and W. and fine pleasant weather - ship cruising to the S & W with all sail out in the morning. Several sail-whalers in sight. In the am. tacked and stood awhile to the N.E. - lost sight of all the other sails before 12 m. - saw a schooner steering N.E. probably for Sagal - Nothing more in sight in the P.M.
Lat. 36.03 Long 36.38 W

Sunday Sept. 5th Comes in with light air from the S.W. and rather squally weather - ship steering to the N.W. with all sail out at 8 kept ship N.W. by N at 11 saw White water supposed it to be Grampuses as we saw them no more - Water blue and clear no birds porpoises or Blackfish nothing indicating whales seen today
Lat 36.06 Long 37.51

Monday, Sept 6th Comes in with light air from the W. and fine pleasant weather - ship by the wind to the N.W. with all sail out cruising - saw one sail or merchantman steering to the E with all sail out - water clear - no porpoises birds or other indications of whales
Lat 37.34 Long 38.26

Tuesday, Sept 7th all day light baffling winds from the N.W. and fine clear weather - ship by the winds to the N.N.E. all the am. in the P.M. to the W.S.W. - water blue with jellyfish and Yellow Drops in it - saw Dolphin off bow and several schools of flying squid - saw two sail steering to the E.N.E.
Lat 38.49 Long 39.12

Wednesday Sept 8th Comes in with light air from the S and calms - ship steering N.W. by W with all sail out when any wind at all - weather fine but the seeing somewhat impaired by haze - Nothing in sight - water blue & clear
Lat 38.29 Long 39.50

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Thursday Sept. 9th all day light air from the S.W. and squally weather with rain and some thunder - ship working to the W with all sail out - Nothing in sight except little ships or whales - at 6 P.M. wind changed to the W with strong squalls.
Lat. 39.03 Long 41.40

Friday Sept. 10th all day light baffling winds from the W. and quite fine weather - ship by the wind all day in various tacks working to the W for the Banks - Nothing in sight indicating whales - water blue and clear with some small Portuguese man of war and some tartan Drops. Steward very sick with the Dropsy. has been sick ever since leaving port but has been around this greater part of the time not giving up entirely until three days ago
Lat. 38.43 Long 42.33

Saturday Sept. 11th all day moderate breezes from the S.W. and quite fine weather with a very short choppy sea from the North - ship steering N.W. per compass until 2 P.M. when kept ship off S.E. by S for Flores for the purpose of landing the Steward & all day water blue and clear with some small Portuguese man of war - nothing more in sight.
Lat. 38.23 No Obs for long.

Sunday Sept. 12th all day moderate breezes from the W. and fine pleasant weather - ship in the N.W. steering S.E. by S with all sail out - water blue & clear all day - Nothing in sight but grampuses - saw three - Steward about the same he has spells of shortness of breath being almost impossible at times to get his breath - we do all we can for him in giving what the medicine chest affords for the Dropsy. This symptoms indicating that in general and in the belly his feet and ankles are swelled bad - but by times the swelling subsides and then we have hopes of his getting better. But soon has increased again as much or more than before. - Not a bird or porpoise seen today.
Lat 39.36 Long 41.30 W