

Barque Pacific Cruising In The North

Monday Sept 13th Comes in with strong gales from the N.E. and cloudy weather looking much like rain - ship by the wind under double reefed topsails heading to the S.E. - in a.m. saw one sail by the wind to the N. - water blue and clear, nothing in it - Steward growing weaker daily - do all for him that we can

Lat 36 42 Long 89.50

Tuesday Sept 14th Comes in with moderate gales from the N.E. and overcast looking much like rain - ship by the wind to the S.E. with double reefed topsails and courses on working up for the Islands for the purpose of landing the Steward he being low with the Dropsy and still growing weaker every day - Nothing in sight but one sail by the wind to the N. - water blue and clear, nothing in it all day

Lat 36.00

Wednesday Sept 15th Comes in with strong gales from the E. and rainy weather - ship by the wind to the E.N.E. per compass nearly all day - in the P.M. wind hauling to the S.E. gradually with showers of rain all day. Saw 4 sails one a merchantman & bound to the N.E. the other three whalers and cruising - at 7 P.M. spoke Bk Catalpa Anthony of N.B. with 180 sperm 4 mos. Capt Anthony came on board and reports several vessels, as a general thing had taken but little oil

No Oles.

Thursday Sept 16th Comes in with moderate breezes from the S and somewhat squally weather - ship steering E per compass with all sail out for Flores to land the Steward he being much weaker today in the A.M. we thought that he could remain with us but a short time - water blue and clear with some albacores about the ship - one spil in sight steering to the W.

Lat 36.19 Long 85.55

Atlantic Ocean In September 1875

Friday Sept 17th Comes in with ^{mod} breezes from S.W. and overcast & smoky and looking something like rain - ship in the morning steering E as were doing all night - at 7.20 Michael Wm Steward died - had been feeling all night and since 8 A.M. his mind had wandered not having any lucid moments - his abdomen had become swelled & severely feet ankles and both legs also the swelling in his right leg and thigh came near that in his abdomen - yesterday he spoke about the disposal of his effects among the rest a deposit in the New Bedford Institution for Savings requesting that the cabin boy should have ten dollars and the remainder be divided equally between Mrs. Tope and Mr. Foster - at 4 P.M. we buried him after the usual custom at sea by reading the burial service, a portion of a chapter in the Bible and a prayer - all day ship by the wind to the N.W. with all prudent sail out - saw two sail whalers standing to the E and N.E. - at night shortened sail

Lat 37 00 Long 85.40 W

Saturday Sept 18th Comes in with fresh breezes from the W. and hazy weather looking much like rain - ship by the wind to the N.W. with all sail out - nothing in sight all the A.M. - plenty of albacore and skipjack around the ship - nothing indicating whales to be seen

Lat 38.09 Long 86.16

Sept 19th Sunday Begins with strong gales from the S.W. with some rain - in the P.M. the wind hauled to the S.W. and W. with cloudy weather - ship by the wind and steering W.N.W. with all prudent sail out - one sail a schooner in sight steering to the W. - nothing more in sight - water blue and clear with albacore and skipjack around the ship caught a few for dinner

Lat 38.50 Long 87.40