

Barge Pacific Cruising in the

Friday Dec. 10th comes in with moderate trades from S E and fine pleasant weather ship by the wind to the S S W with all sail out - Nothing in sight but two sail steering to the south - water blue and clear

Lat 10° 47' Long 34° 58'

Saturday Dec. 11th comes in with light trades from the S E and fine pleasant weather ship steering S by W with all sail out, fore royal excepted - One sail steering to South W and two steering to the N E in sight - water blue and clear all day - In the P M saw a large school of striped jack and a large flock of birds

Lat 13° 15' Long 35° 40'

Sunday Dec. 12th all day moderate breezes from the S E and fine pleasant weather ship steering S S E per compass with all sail out - several sail in sight steering to the S - Nothing in sight indicating whales

Lat 15° 10' Long 36° 40'

Monday Dec. 13th all day moderate breezes from the N E and fine pleasant weather ship steering to the S W and W S W with all sail out - Several sail in sight, all but one steering to the S. One we call the Sea Queen a whales steering W S W with all sail out - No signs of whales

Lat 16° 38' Long 36° 30'

Tuesday Dec. 14th comes in with rather squally weather with the winds from N N E, ship steering S W by S with all sail but main royal out - One sail in sight steering the same - Nothing in sight but one ship fur Bottom indicating whales - water blue & clear - We are now in or near the Abrolhos Banks and have seen no indications whatever of whales - no porpoises Blackfish or birds or anything else - Dull and no mistake

Lat 18° 40' Long 37° 20'

South Atlantic Ocean in 1875

Wednesday Dec. 15th all day moderate breezes from the N E and fine weather ship steering S S W with all sail out for the River la Platte - Several sail in sight all but one steering to the S W - At 1 P M saw White Water several times quite quick - Took it to be jumper as we saw it no more although we steered for it for more than three hours - In the A M somewhat tiddy and plenty of fish in large schools through the day - crossed the Victoria Bank

Lat 20° 37' S Long 37° 45' W

Thursday Dec. 16th all day moderate breezes from the N E and fine clear weather ship steering S by W per compass with all sail out - several sail and one steamer in sight all steering to the S W - water blue and clear - Nothing in it

Lat 22° 47' Long 38° 18' W

Friday Dec. 17th all day light baffling winds from the N E and N ship steering S by W and S W by S for the River la Platte - One sail in sight steering the same and one steering to the N E by the wind - Water blue all day saw but a few birds but nothing more indicating whales

Lat 24° 41' Long 38° 30' W

Saturday Dec. 18th all day moderate breezes from the N E and fine weather but smoky horizon being poor seeing - Saw one sail steering to the S W - Saw one school of porpoises and caught one - nothing more in sight all day

Lat 26° 37' Long 38° 40'

Sunday Dec. 19th all day moderate breezes from the N and clear overhead but smoky horizon - being poor seeing - Nothing in sight all day - ship steering S W by W per compass - there being but little or no variation here - no birds porpoises or other indication of whales

Lat 28° 10' Long 39° 40'