

Barge Pacific Bound to the North

Thursday March 23d comes in with moderate breezes from the N. E. and somewhat squally weather - Ship by the wind to the N. N. W. & N. by W. with all sail out for the North Atlantic - we find the winds baffling and light and a strong current against us to the W. P. M. saw one sail steering S. W. The winds have been very baffling during the last 24 hours sometimes ship on one tack and then on the other
Lat 19 10 Long 36 16

Friday March 24th comes in with light baffling winds and calms from the N. & N. E. and cloudy weather and showers of rain - Ship by the wind to the N. & to the E. on opposite tacks as the wind hauled in our favor - find a strong current against us - No birds fish or anything except cowfish of which we caught one - Water in the morn rather green but during the day blue and clear
Lat 17 50 Long 36 36

Saturday March 25th comes in with light baffling winds from N. E. & N. and squally weather with showers of rain - Ship by the wind to the N. & to E. on opposite tacks working up to the coast - We are making slow progress the winds being more dead ahead and the current of about 30 miles direct ahead. The winds are light and baffling
Lat 16 48 Long 36 43

Sunday March 26th comes in with light baffling winds from N. & N. E. - Ship on different tacks working up slowly along the coast - judge ourselves about 100 miles from land - Nothing in sight
Lat 15 25 Long 36 16

Monday March 27th comes in with light baffling winds from E. N. E. and calms with squally weather of wind light and showers of small rain - Ship by the wind working up along the coast to the N. & E. on opposite tacks through the day - Nothing in sight - Water blue and clear - No birds or fish
Lat 14 10 Long 36 05

Atlantic in the Spring of 1876

Tuesday March 28th comes in with moderate breezes from N. E. and fine warm weather - Ship by the wind on opposite tacks working up the coast but making slow progress - One sail in sight working up the same - water blue and clear - No indications of whales
Lat 13 38 Long 36 16 W

Wednesday March 29th all day light baffling winds and calm from N. & E. Ship by the wind on different tacks working up the coast of Brazil - Two sail in sight one we saw yesterday working up like ourselves, the other a French Bark steering to the South. Exchanged signals with her and found them to agree both being 35.00 - all day the water blue and clear - No indications of whales and the winds & currents from N. E. - we have not found such strong currents for a day or two past as previously - Working up very slow
Lat 12 24 Long 34 51

Thursday March 30th comes in with moderate breezes from N. N. E. and fine pleasant weather - Ship standing by the wind to the E. with all sail out but under royal, having tacked at 3 P. M. - One sail a merchantman in sight the same that has been in sight for two days - No indications of whales - water blue and clear, No birds, fish or life to be seen in the water
Lat 12 43 S. Long 34 38 W

Friday March 31st all day light baffling winds and calms from N. E. & N. - Ship by the wind on different tacks working up the coast - 2 sail in sight both working up like ourselves - Make slow progress - No prospect of a breeze - Water blue & clear with three or four large albacore around the ship but will not allow themselves to be caught saw two Dolphin - Nothing more in sight
Lat 12 12 Long 34 40