

# Ship Valer

January 1838

Sund 1<sup>st</sup> Begins with fine weather  
Wind East Strong N by E  
Employed setting up and taking  
main Rigging  
Lat 10-44 South  
Long 83-58 W

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Throughout the day fine weather  
Wind S by E Strong N by E  
by Compass  
Lat 11-31 South  
Long 83-28 W

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Begins with fine weather  
from S by E Strong N by E  
at 4 P M Spoke a English  
Boat from Bonaville Bound  
to Havana with Purser Boat  
day Ende Employed working  
in the fore Rigging  
Lat 11-06 South  
Long 83-29 W

# Towards New Bedford

January 1838

Wednesd  
4<sup>th</sup>

Begins with fine weather and  
Placid breeze from S by E  
Strong N by E by Compass  
at 9 A M Saw the Rocks  
and at 10 do Passed to leeward  
of them at the distance of 2 or 3 miles  
The Rocks is a Chale bank  
about 1 mile long from E to W  
and 1/2 mile broad from N to S  
there is but one small strip of  
land above the water and this is  
almost level with it  
the other part of the Shoal  
is covered with scattering Rocks  
just above the water  
I could not see any signs of  
them being any vegetation except  
some things on the higher part  
like tufts of grass or Rushes  
This is a most dangerous Shoal  
and I should not think it could  
be seen far enough to keep of  
it in the Night  
Day Ende In Lat 11-04 South  
Long 83-29 W

Thursd  
5<sup>th</sup>

Throughout the day fine weather and breeze  
from S by E of course N by E  
Saw abrig Strong N by E  
Lat 11-04 South  
Long 83-29 W