

Sailing Off St. Helena

Remarks on board Wednesday May 27th 1863

This day commenced with cloudy weather and moderate breeze from the S.E. ship by the wind under double reefed top sails and courses employed showing down middle and latter part fine with moderate breezes from S.E. & sail in sight

Remarks on board Thursday May 28th

This twenty four hours commenced with fine weather and moderate breezes ship by the wind with all sail at sun down hauled flying jib and mizzen topmast stay sail land bearing S.W. by E. distant 25 miles middle and latter part fine weather and variable winds at day light made all sail leave ship in sight

Remarks on board Friday May 29th

This day commenced with good weather and moderate winds from the S.E. ship by the wind with all sail set at dark took in light sails land bearing West distant about 25 miles middle part moderate breeze latter part strong winds from S.E. ship by the wind at 9 o'clock. Single reefed the top sails saw two ships

Bound to the South and Eastward

Remarks on board Saturday May 30th 1863

This day commenced with strong breezes from the S.E. ship on larboard tack heading S.W. at sun down put another reef in the top sails and took in jib and spanker middle part strong breezes ship under double reefed top sails latter part the still blowing strong saw a ship to the windward

Lat. by obs 16.45 S.

Long by Chr. 4.40 W.

Remarks on board Sunday May 31th

This day commenced with squally weather and strong breeze from the S.E. ship under double reefed top sails main spencer and fore topmast stay sail land bearing S.W. distant 50 miles middle and latter part the same

Remarks on board Monday June 1st 1863

This twenty four hours commenced with clear weather and strong breezes from the S.E. ship under double reefed top sails main spencer and fore topmast stay sail saw a whale ship to the windward land bearing S.W. middle part strong breeze latter part more moderate ship by the wind under double reefed top sails