

Barque Peru Bound to the Pacific Ocean Jan 1856

Monday Dec 31st

Commenced with strong breezes from S.E. steering W. S.W. with thick rainy weather at 5 P.M. took in heavy squalls from the S. took in fore sail fore top sail and chart reef the main middle part moderate breeze various points steering feet double reef top sail, jib and spanker latter part strong breeze with heavy rain squalls employed at mending rigging jib sheets main top gallunt truckin's & 3rd 3 sails all steering to the S. 30 ends this day under double reef top sail fore sail and main spanker

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Tuesday January 1st 1856

Commenced with a gale from the S.W. heading to the S.E. and a Barque steering to the S.E. at 3 P.M. split the fore top sail basket and set to mend it middle part moderate with rain latter clear employed at mending sail 30 ends

Latt 34-40 S Drift 45-50 W

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Wednesday 2^d

Commenced with light breezes from S.W. heading by the wind to the S.E. at 4 P.M. bent the fore top sail made all sail and a Brig steering to the S.E. middle part light wind from the Westward latter part calm employed at mending the fore sail 30 ends Latt 34-40 S Drift 45-50 W

Thursday 3^d

Commenced calm employed at mending fore sail at 3 P.M. finished and bent it at 4 get out 3 more 3rd grampuses middle part light breezes from the W. heading to the S. latter part calm employed at ship duty and killed 30 ends Latt 35-30 S Drift 42-40 W get out 4 water

Friday 4th

Commenced calm employed at various jobs about the ship saw killed 30 ends middle part calm latter part light breezes from the W. heading by the wind and the Starboard tack to the S.W. and grampuses and killed 30 ends employed at ship duty

Latt 36-20 S Drift 44-40 W

Saturday 5th

Commenced with light breezes from W. heading by the on Starboard tack heading to the S.W. employed at ship duty and grampuses middle part the same latter part strong breeze from the S.E. steering W. S.W. at 9 P.M. tore the flying jib and bent it mended part a Barque heading to the S.E.

Latt 37-40 S Drift 45-45 W

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Sunday 6th

Commenced with strong breezes from S.W. steering W. S.W. bent flying jib and set it middle part took in the top gallunt sails and flying jib latter part more moderate made all sail and a Barque steering to the Eastward

Latt 38-40 S Drift 48-08 W

Monday 7th

Commenced with strong breezes from S.W. steering W. S.W. under all sail at 5 P.M. caught a porpoise middle part took in top gallunt sails and flying jib latter part set flying jib and gaff top sail heading to the S.W. 30 ends

Latt 40-18 S Drift 49-30 W

Tuesday 8th

Commenced with strong breezes from the W. heading to the S. at 3 P.M. took double reef the top sail at 6 P.M. the Whist Boat put up over the topgallunt took in jib and spanker middle part the same latter part more moderate set jib 30 ends head S.W. off

Latt 41-05 S Drift 49-08 W

Wednesday 9th

Commenced with strong winds from the Westward head S.W. at 4 P.M. set main sail jib and spanker at 4. Blowing a strong gale from the S. to the S.W. took in the Starboard tack heading to the Westward under a chart reef main top sail middle part the same latter part gale increasing took in the main top sail and turned up the Starboard Boat

Latt 41-00 S Drift 49-11 W

Thursday 10th

Commenced with a heavy gale from the S. have two under bare poles at 5 P.M. more moderate set chart reef main top sail and fore sail heading to the Westward middle part set double reef fore and main top sails jib and spanker latter part wind hauling to the W. veered to the S. and made all sail at 7 P.M. strong breezes from S.W. steering to the S.W. at 10 P.M. took in light sails and double reef the top sails

Latt 41-50 S Drift 50-05 W

Friday 11th

Commenced with strong breezes from the S.W. steering to the S.W. at 2 P.M. have two under double reef main top sail and fore sail middle part the same latter part moderate breezes made all sail heading to the S.W. at 12 P.M. took in the Starboard 30 ends employed at ship duty

Latt 42-15 S Drift 50-15 W