

Ship Balena of New Bedford Capt. Dorman
Tuesday Feb 21. 1854

This day comes in with fresh gales from the
Southward the ship standing to the Westward
at sunset blowing fresh hauled the fore &
Mizen topsails latter part more moderate
Saw plenty of Finbacks & Humpbacks
Lat by obs. 37.27 Long 75.25

Wednesday Feb 22

Comes in with strong breeze from S.E. the ship on
the Western tack at daylight shifted W by N. End
with fresh breezes. Saw Finbacks at 8 am more ship
to the Eastward Lat by obs 36.10 Long by Chron 75.25

Thursday Feb 23

Comes in with fresh breezes from S.E. the ship
standing to the Westward Middle part squally
latter part fresh gales saw Finbacks the cap-
ter a little better Lat by obs 36.25 Long 78.55

Friday Feb 24th

Comes in with fresh breezes from South East the
ship steering off South Middle & latter part much
the same at 10 A.M. saw Juan Fernandez bearing
N. by W. 35 miles Dist. two vessels in sight Merchant
and the watch employed breaking out old shoes in the
fore hold.

Saturday Feb 25th

Comes in with moderate breeze from S.E. the ship
running off for the Island of Juan Fernandez at sunset
Luffed to the wind heading to the S.W. Middle part
bleak weather & rainy latter part much the same
saw porpoises the Cooper setting up old shoes
at noon Masafuera in sight bearing W by N. 15

Sunday Feb 26

These twenty four hours fine weather & light breeze
from South saw no fish latter part the ship
of N.E. at noon Masafuera bearing W. 70 miles

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Monday Feb 27. 1854

This day comes in with fresh breezes from
South the ship steering W by N. at sunset
shortened sail middle and latter part fine weather
saw nothing the watch employed repairing fore top sail
Lat by obs 33.00 Long by Chron 81.09

Tuesday Feb 28th

Comes in with gentle breezes from South the Bark
& Mizen the ship standing to the Westward under
easy sail the watch employed breaking out the
wing casks & pumping the water out of them into other
casks Lat by obs 33.10 Long by Chron 81.48

Wednesday March 1. 1854

Comes in with fine weather & light breezes from the
S.E. the ship on the Western tack ends with fine
weather saw nothing the watch employed breaking
out water from the ground tier wingers in the main
hatchway Lat by obs 33.07 Long by Chron 83.46

Thursday March 2^d

Comes in with fine weather & light breezes from S.W.
the ship standing to the Westward at 6 P.M. saw
Whales going to the S.E. did not lower as they were too
far off to get to them before dark at sunset tacked
to the S.E. and took in top Gallantails at 6 A.M. tacked
again to the S.W. at 10 A.M. saw a large whale
5 miles to windward the ship working up
towards him ends with fine weather
Lat by obs 33.12 Long by Chron 83.31

Friday March 3^d

Comes in with fine weather and light breeze from
South the ship working to windward at 1 P.M. lowered
three boats the whale going to windward at 3 P.M.
the Leeward Boat fast. killed and took him to the
ship the waist boat fast. ends with fresh breezes
from East at 5 A.M. commenced cutting
no observation

