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Remarks by Board Bark *Platonia*

Sunday May 27th

First part commences with a light rain from S at daylight made sail and steared off to the W. employed in making ship middle part finished latter part rain WSW sundown took in sail at midnight rain the same so ends this day

Lat 35.55 Long 117.48 E

Monday May 28th

First part commences with a moderate breeze at daylight rain the same middle part light squalls of rain latter part rain breeze at 10 AM saw the land at 10 AM Cape Horn bearing off the light 20 miles sundown took in sail at midnight rain the same so ends this day

Lat 35.90 Long 117.12 E

Tuesday May 29th

First part commences with a good breeze from the W with a heavy swell from S at daylight put off at 10 AM and at eight o'clock saw a shoal of sperm whales going to the E at nine o'clock came on board at 10 AM the men of them at noon came on board at 10 AM saw them again off the weather saw a whale and the whales went to windward at 10 AM and a hump came on board and took in sail man at 10 AM hearing of the East dist 15 miles at midnight fresh breezes and squalls from the W so ends this day

Wednesday May 30th

First part commences with fresh breezes and squalls from W at daylight cleared off middle part squally at noon shifted to the E at 10 AM the latter part rain the same at midnight fresh breeze from W so ends this day

Lat 36.05 Long 16.58 E

Thursday May 31st

First part commences with a moderate breeze from the W at daylight saw the canton at 10 AM at 10 AM saw sperm whales heading to the W turning off went on and struck seven and gave three B. L. B. W. B. middle part rain light latter part same at three got tempest and de got round to east and east one in mid night rain so ends this day

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Capt Giles P. Slocum Master

Friday June 1st

First part commences with a strong breeze from the S at daylight hauled on one east middle part got one in latter part cleared up haake on one finished sailing at 10 AM got down tacks got 4 ropes and 10 the latter rain moderate at midnight moderate clearing away heads so ends this day

Lat 36.05 Long 117.00 E

Saturday June 2nd

First part commences with a good breeze from S at daylight breeze up started fire middle part rain same with light squalls of rain put off at 10 AM and set the main topsail latter part fresh breeze at midnight heavy squall of rain took in topsail and shouldered on there so ends this day

Lat 36.55 Long 117.00 E

Sunday June 3rd

First part commences with a moderate breeze from the E at daylight steared off to the E at nine o'clock saw a shoal of whales going quick to the E came called sperm whales middle part rain light latter part same employed in hauling sundown took in sail at midnight rain light so ends this day

Lat 36.65 Long 116.51 E

Monday June 4th

First part commences with a light rain from the E at daylight saw the canton middle part rain the same latter part employed in hauling at one 10 AM spoke the canton sundown rain at E midnight same so ends this day

Tuesday June 5th

First part commences with a good breeze from the N at seven finished hauling and got ready to start down middle standing later party none at 10 AM got down at 10 AM cold at midnight rain light so ends this day

Lat 36.65 Long 116.51 E