

Remarks on board Barque Waptha

Monday Sept 27-1853

First part strong gales from S.E. heading S.W. by S. Employed in mending fore topmast stay sail. At 4 o'clock sent down short sail. Middle part Under short sail. Latter part At 6 o'clock were ship to E. N.E. employed in mending the main top gallant sail. The Captain is no better.

Lat by Obs 10-13 S Long by Chr 83-52 W

Tuesday Sept 28-1853

First part strong gales from S.E. heading S.W. by S. Employed in mending the main top gallant sail. At 4 o'clock finished it & went to see fine Brakes. Latter part heading S.W. by the wind employed in mending the main sail saw fine Brakes & black fish. Captain is worse.

Lat by Obs 9-30 S Long by Chr 83-15 W

Wednesday Sept 29-1853

First part strong gales from S.E. heading S.W. by S. Employed in mending the main sail. At 4 o'clock kept ship S.E. by S. went to Bay to Latter part steering S.E. by S. At 10 o'clock saw the land. Lat by Obs 7-38 S Long by Chr 80-55 W

Thursday Sept 30-1853

First part At 4 o'clock kept off S.W. by S. employed in mending the main sail. At 6 o'clock finished the main sail & sent it sent down the fore topsail and bent another. At 8 o'clock kept off S.W. by S. Middle & latter part steering S.W. by S. close in to the land.

Lat by Obs 5-28 S Long by Chr 81-20 W

Whilst cruising off Bay to Captain's

Thursday October 1-1853

First part light gales from S.E. steering S.W. by S. Under all sail employed in mending the fore top sail. Middle part running down the land steering S.W. by S. At 12 o'clock and then hauled by the wind heading of shore with the main yard a back. Latter part At day light kept off for Bay to head which is in sight. At 1 o'clock the boat went in shore after the Brakes and came off with him. At 12 o'clock the Captain went ashore for to stop being sick not able to go out with the ship.

Friday Oct 2-1853

First part At day part one the boat came off. And then steered out to sea heading S.W. by S. strong gales from S.W. Middle part heading S.W. by S. Latter part light gales heading S.W. by S. Foggy weather.

Lat by Obs 5-38 S Long by Chr 82-30 W

Saturday Oct 3-1853

First part heading S.W. light gales saw thump Brakes. Middle part heading S.W. by S. Under short sail. At day light made sail. Latter part employed in stowing down the cable in the fore hold on the starboard side.

Lat by Obs 4-44 S Long by Chr 84-19 W