

Wreck Reef and Vicinity 1871

Tuesday July 4<sup>th</sup>

First part light breeze and pleasant weather. Two sails in sight. Employed in stowing down. Mid part strong breeze but part stowing down. Two sails in sight. Also saw Finbacks. So ends this day.

Wednesday July 5<sup>th</sup>

First part moderate breeze and pleasant. Wind from the Eastward. Bird Island in sight. Spoke ship Melville of New Bedford. Mid part pleasant but part strong breeze. Two sails in sight.

Thursday July 6<sup>th</sup>

First part strong breeze and pleasant weather. Wind from the East. Two sails in sight at 5 P.M. rained. Bird Island bearing S.W. Mid part moderate but part same.

Friday July 7<sup>th</sup>

Moderate one sail in sight. Mid part the same. Last part pleasant. One sail.

Sat July 8<sup>th</sup>

First part thick cloudy weather. One sail in sight wind from the Southward. Bird Island in sight bearing S.W. Two sails. Mid part under short sail wind S.E. Last part do same rain. Albatross and Shearwaters in abundance so ends.

Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup>

Pleasant with strong breeze from S.E. with a few saw Finbacks also one sail. Mid part pleasant. Last part strong breeze and pleasant. Two sails in sight so ends.

Monday July 10<sup>th</sup>

First part strong breeze from the S.E. and pleasant. 3 sails in sight Bird Island bearing S.E. Mid part strong breeze but part strong breeze from the Eastward. One sail in sight the ship Melville.

Tuesday July 11<sup>th</sup>

First part strong breeze from the Eastward. One sail in sight at dark shortened sail. Mid part moderate breeze. Last part strong breeze from the S.E. One sail in sight. Carter Island at 12 M bearing S.E. distant 3 miles so ends.

Wednesday July 12<sup>th</sup>

Strong breeze from S.W. heading S.E. Mid part fresh breeze and somewhat squally. Ship under double reefed topsails. Courses and Jib. Last part strong breeze so ends.

Making passage from Wreck Reef to Norfolk Island. Barque Scurager of New Bedford 1871

Thursday July 13<sup>th</sup>

Squally weather steering S.E. by E. under double reefed topsails and courses. Two Shearwaters. Mid part squally with variable winds and an occasional shower of rain. Last part wind S.E. heading E. frequent rain squalls so ends.

Friday July 14<sup>th</sup>

Wind from the Southward. Last rainy nothing in sight. Ship under double reefed topsails and courses. At sunset took in Main sail. Mid part also last part steady fresh breeze from S.E. so ends this day.

Sat July 15<sup>th</sup>

Good breeze from the S.E. engaged in repairing reefed topsail. Mid part moderate but part the same strong S.E. by E. wind S.W.

Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup>

Weather continues fine with light wind S.W. course S.E. by S. Saw a Shearwater. All sail set at sunset took in Jib and topsails. Mid part good breeze. Last part do saw several Shearwaters.

Monday July 17<sup>th</sup>

Strong breeze from Southward. Two Shearwaters. Mid part wind S.E. heading S.W. Last part light breeze from S.W. steering S.E. by E. saw Shearwaters.

Tuesday July 18<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breeze from N.W. steering S.E. by E. saw Shearwaters. Mid part strong breeze. Last part wind S.W. steering S.W. Took in N. Boat and unrolled her. Saw several Shearwaters.

Wednesday July 19<sup>th</sup>

Weather good atmosphere heavy. Wind strong from N.W. course S.W. by S. Mid part the same. Last part took in Main topsail & double reefed fore topsail so ends.

Thursday July 20<sup>th</sup>

First part strong breeze from the Westward. Course S.W. At 5 P.M. reefed the Main topsail and fore the Main sail. Mid part strong breeze run till 12 M. and then luffed to the wind. Left off at day light. At 7 A.M. saw Norfolk Island bearing E. At 12 M. Jib and Main sail went on shore at the Carack's boat numerous and in store off shore. Shearwaters in plenty.

Friday July 21<sup>st</sup>

First part strong breeze from S.W. saw Shearwaters at 7 P.M. Norfolk Island bearing S 12 miles distant. Mid part calm off and on. Last part pleasant off and on so ends this 24 hours.