

224. *Bark, Imperia of New Bedford, Mass.*

1068. *Martha 2nd*
3 Tattlers, 4 sp. of
the young of the
same quarter
Barque.

Sunday Nov. 9th 1856.
 Commences with brisk breezes from N. E. East with many passing clouds, ship heading to the N. W. with the main top gallant sail out, spoke the ship *Martha* of Fairhaven 5th mos. out 65 lbs. sp. (by her received three letters) at 6 P. M. saw sperm whales but so far from the ship and so late that we did not lower the boats, middle part quite moderate with some rain, latter part fresh breezes from N. E. heading from N. W. to N. S. W. under reefed topsails and courses, two sails in sight.
 So ends. Lat. By obs. 23° 44'. Long. By calc. 48° 34' 00". Bar. 30.0.

Monday Nov. 10th 1856.
Sulphur Bottoms.
 Begins with strong breezes from N. E. steering S. West and S. W. under reefed topsails and foresail, at 4 P. M. spoke the *Song*, 200 sp. middle part laying to the Eastward under short sail, latter part fresh breezes from N. E. and cloudy heading to the Eastward under reefed topsails and courses, one sail in sight, and saw several sulphur bottoms. So ends. Lat. By obs. 23° 51'. Long. By calc. 48° 55' 00". Bar. 29.9.

Tuesday Nov. 11th 1856.
Thunder & Lightning.
 Commences with fresh breezes from N. E. and cloudy heading to the N. W. under the topsails and courses, middle part thunder and lightning, latter part strong breezes from S. E. to E. heading from S. S. W. to S. S. E. under reefed topsails and foresail, put on new brails to the main spencer, and opened a bag of butter. (Mauritius)
 So ends. Lat. By obs. 23° 40'. Long. By calc. 49° 57' 00". Bar. 29.9.

Wednesday Nov. 12th 1856.
Albatros.
 Begins with wind from E. and very heavy swell, heading to S. S. E. under the topsails and courses, and saw sulphur bottoms, middle strong breezes with thunder, lightning & rain, latter part very moderate, saw an albatros.
 So ends. Lat. By obs. 24° 25'. Long. By calc. 50° 10' 15". Bar. 29.8.

Thursday Nov. 13th 1856.
One Sail.
 Commences with light breezes from S. E. heading S. S. W. under all sail, one sail in sight, middle and latter part light baffling airs and calms, heading to the Westward under all sail that serves to advantage. So ends. Lat. By obs. 24° 12'. Long. By calc. 50° 05' 30". Bar. 29.9.

225. *Looking for sperm Whales. N. D. 1856.*

Friday Nov. 14th 1856.
Caulking the Deck.
 Begins with very light airs from the Northward heading to the Westward with the fore top gallant sail in, one sail in sight, middle part calm, latter part elegant breezes from the Westward heading N. E. employed caulking the deck, and saw one sail too leeward and a humpback.
 So ends. Lat. By obs. 23° 54'. Long. By calc. 49° 51' 00". Bar. 29.2.

Saturday Nov. 15th 1856.
Sprouting Yams.
 Commences with pleasant breezes from N. S. W. heading to the N. W. with the main top gallant sail out, one sail in sight too leeward, middle part very moderate, latter part, light breezes from S. S. W. heading to the Westward under all sail except the fore top gallant sail, saw one sail and lots of humpbacks & sulphur bottoms, the watch employed sprouting yams.
 So ends. Lat. By obs. 23° 34'. Long. By calc. 50° 08' 45". Bar. 29.9.

Sunday Nov. 16th 1856.
Three Dolphins.
 Begins with very light airs from the Southward heading N. S. W. under all sail except the fore top gallant sail, with a great many dolphins around the ship, caught three of them, middle part moderate, latter part light breezes from the Eastward and pleasant steering N. and saw one sail.
 So ends. Lat. By obs. 23° 53'. Long. By calc. 49° 58' 00". Bar. 30.0.

Monday Nov. 17th 1856.
Breaches.
 Commences with very light breezes from E. N. E. and pleasant steering N. with the main top gallant sail out, shortly before sunset saw breaches and spouts but did not ascertain for a certainty what they were, middle part moderate saw a sulphur bottom cow and calf, latter part light breezes from E. N. E. steering N.
 So ends. Lat. By obs. 24° 06'. Long. By calc. 49° 19' 45". Bar. 30.0.

Tuesday Nov. 18th 1856.
Three Sails.
 Begins with light breezes from N. E. steering to the Westward spoke the *Massasoit*, 670 lbs. sp. on board, middle and latter part fresh breezes from N. E. and southerly heading to the N. W. saw three sails.
 So ends. Lat. By obs. 23° 52'. Long. By calc. 48° 48' 00". Bar. 29.9.