

Sunday December 15 1839

This day begins with cloudy weather and
Ruff Sea Wind NE Headed to the NW at 7 Wore
Ship and took in Sail the two Sails 6 Miles off our
Weather Beam Headed the same way SE
At 8 O'clock Got a Lunar by measuring the Distance
of the Sun from the Moon which made the
Long 35.32 By thro 35.32

Middle Part Strong

Breeze and cloudy

Latter Part Strong Gale

Maid Short Sail Headed to the SE by E Heavy
Swell on DE So Ends this day Lat by Alt 18 02
Long by thro 34 55

Monday December 16 1839

Commencement of this day Breeze from the
NE and Ruff Headed to the SE Saw 3 Sails
at 7 Took in Sail

Middle Part Rather More Pleasant

Latter Part Cloudy Strong Gale and Rugged at 6
Past the Brigg Willis Ends Cloudy Lat by DR 18 01
The Skyhook on Duty Long by 34 35

Tuesday December 17 1839

Commencement of this day Cloudy and
Rugged Saw the Brigg Willis Headed SE
Headed to the SE

Middle Part the Same

At 2 O'clock Took Ship to the SE

Latter

Part Rather More Moderate at 10 Spoke
The Willis She had the day before Spoken the
Lark. Capt Perrington an Richard Wenzey of Ellis
180 and Brigg Chase Capt Mayhew 90 Headed to
the South So Ends this day Lat by Alt 18 14
Long by thro 35.7

Wednesday December 18 1839

Commencement of this day More Moderate but
Ruff at that at 4 O'clock Spoke the chase Capt
Mayhew went on board a few minutes and got the
News Headed to the SE by E Wind SE at 9
Took in Sail and Wore Ship

Middle Part More

Moderate Latter Part Strong Breeze at 5 Maid Sail
At 8 Strong Breeze and Rugged Single Ruff the Fore
Sail at 11 Saw four Whales at half Past 11 Landed
From the same the Whale going to the Leeward could
not get on that business Mr Blankenship pulled up to the
Brigg which proved to be another Whale i of course was
bound to follow. did not get on being very Rugged and
No Whale Weather i Deemed it prudent to take up
the Boats So Ends this day Head SE by E Headed to SE by E
Lat by DR 18 54
Long by DR 35.5



Thursday December 19 1839

Commencement of this day Strong Gale and Rugged
Wind NE Headed to the SE at 3 O'clock Double
Reef the Mainsail and Top-sail Tied the Gibb and Foremast
At 4 O'clock Discovered that the Inner Bob Stay was gone
Took it in Roved a New Lanyard to the outer one and
Got it up tought. Saw a Dutch Man of war 4 Miles on
our Lee Beam Headed to the NW with Reefed Top-sail
At 7. Wore Ship to the NW and set the Jny Sail

Middle Part Rugged

Latter Part Strong Gale

And Rugged at 6 Rove Round Lat Double Reefed
Mainsail and Fore Sail Wind NE Headed to the
SE by E of a Knot sailing to the South Saw not any
thing So Ends this day

Lat by Alt 18 45
Long by thro 34 54