

Ship Florida of New Bedford Bound to New Zealand
January the 6

Sunday the 6th
Begins with moderate breeze from the S E heading
S W by S under all sail saw two sails water
employed in ships duty middle part light breeze
and baffling latter part strong breeze from
the S W backed ship heading to the S E
so ends there 24 hours Lat by obs 36:38

Monday the 7th
Begins with strong breeze from the S W ship
heading S E by S double reef the top sails
took in the fore and mainsail and set the
main spruce middle part strong breeze heading
S E by E middle double reef top sails and fore
sail latter part wore ship heading to the S W
so ends there 24 hours Lat by obs 37:10

Tuesday the 8th
Begins with a moderate gale from the S S E
ship heading S W under close reef top sails and
fore sail at 4 P.M. set the jib middle and latter
part moderate gale all sail heading S W by W
water employed in ships duty so ends there 24
hours

Wednesday the 9th 1856
Begins with moderate breeze from the S W ship
heading S E by E most part all sail set
water employed in breaking out slops and
dried apples and Molasses middle part calm
latter part light breeze from the W heading S
with all sail set water employed in ships duty
so ends there 24 hours Lat by obs 38:36

Thursday the 10th
Begins with fresh breeze from the W steering
S all sail set water employed in ships duty
broke out 2 barrels of meat one cask of water

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middle part strong breeze from N W ship steering
S took in light sails latter part strong breeze
from the S E heading S W by S under double reef
top sails and courses so ends there 24 hours
Lat by obs 40:42

Friday the 11th
Begins with strong breeze from the S W
heading S E by S under whole top sails and
main top gallant sail some main sail pinbacks
water employed in ships duty middle part strong
breeze double reef the top sails and pointed
the main sail latter part strong breeze from the
S W heading S E under double reef top sails
so ends there 24 hours

Saturday the 12th
Begins with strong breeze from the S S W
heading S E by E set whole top sails
water employed in ships duty middle part
latter part the same single reef the top
sails so ends there 24 hours

Sunday the 13th
Begins with strong breeze from the S E ship
heading S W by S double reef the top
sails saw pinbacks broke out for pickles
middle part the same took in jib mainsail
and fore top sail latter part took in main
top sail so ends there 24 hours
Lat by obs 43:00

Monday the 14th
commences with moderate gale from the
S E ship laying two under close reef main
top sail and fore sail heading S W by S
middle part the same set the fore and main
sails double reef the top sails close
reef latter part more moderate whole top sail jib
and main sail S E set main top gallant sail
so ends there 24 hours