

Remarks On Board Ship Stephania

Friday August the 31st 1855

Commences with fresh gales from the S. S. W. laying to off and on the S. E. Side of Amsterdam Island two Sails in sight crew implied in repairing the fore topmast staysail at sun set the island bearing N. N. W. wore Ship and stood off on the S. E. tack. at 1 A. M. wore Ship and stood by the wind to the N. W. at 8 A. M. lowered three boats and went in shore to look for whales. the J. and Edwards and trident of New Bedford and the Catharine and Hannah Brewer of New London the Monmouth of Gold Spring, and the Duke of Warren all had their boats in shore and so ends these 24 hours

September
Saturday July the 1st

Commences with Strong breezes from the West laying off and on the Island at 5 P. M. the boats came on board without success. at Dark the land bearing N. W. Dist 5 miles stood off on the Southern tack. Middle and Latter part Strong breezes from the West with rain. at 1 A. M. tacked ~~sailed~~ Ship and stood by the wind to the Northward. at Day light the Island bearing N. W. Dist 5 miles did not lower the boats. it being thick weather and so ends this Day

Sunday the 2nd

Commences with Strong breezes from the West laying off and on the land the Capt and Second mate went in shore a whaling at 5 P. M. Returned see nothing at Sun set the land bearing

N. S. W. Dist 5 miles stood off on the Northern tack

Middle and Latter part much the Same. at 4 past 11 P. M. wore Ship and stood in Shore at 1 A. M. three boats went in Shore a whaling the Ship laying off and on the S. E. Side of the Island and so ends this Day

Monday the 3rd

Commences with Strong breezes from the N. W. at 5 P. M. the boats came on board without success. at Dark the land bearing West Dist 6 miles standing out on the S. E. tack Middle and Latter part fine breezes from North at 4 past 10 P. M. wore Ship and stood by the wind to the west at 8 A. M. three boats went in Shore whaling and so ends this Day

Off Amsterdam Island

Tuesday September the 4th 1855

Commences with fine breezes from the N. N. E. laying off and on the East side of the Island. the boats in Shore whaling the John and Edwards and Trident of New Bedford and the Catharine and Hannah Brewer of New London had their boats in also. at 5 P. M. the Boat came on board without success. at sun set the land bearing West Dist 5 miles. stood out on the Eastern tack. Middle and Latter part fresh gales from the N. E. to North at 10 P. M. wore Ship and stood by the wind to the N. W. at 1 A. M. wore Ship and stood by the wind to the East. at 4 A. M. wore Ship and stood by the wind to the N. N. W. at 8 A. M. saw the land off the beam I run off to the leeward of the Island and luffed to the wind heading N. W. and so ends this Day

Wednesday the 5th

Commences with Strong breezes from the North laying by the the wind heading to the Westward. at Dark the land bearing East Dist 15 miles. Middle part Strong gales from the N. N. W. at midnight wore Ship and layed by the wind heading to the North Latter part Strong gales from the N. S. W. laying by the wind heading to the S. W. the bearing Dist 15 miles the Catharine of New London in sight. and so ends this Day

Thursday the 6th

Commences with Strong breezes from the N. W. with rain and Squally weather at 3 P. M. the land bearing East Dist 30 miles the Catharine in sight. Middle part very heavy gales from the N. S. W. at 8 P. M. the fore top mast stay sail halyards parted hauled down the sail and while reaving new halyards discovered a ships ahead. not more then two or three cables lengths off got the ship before the wind and run to the leeward of her then luffed to the wind heading South at 10 P. M. wore Ship layed by the wind heading N. W. all hands imploried in securing and turning up boats at 11 P. M. sent all but the watch below. latter part heavy gales from the S. W. with heavy Squalls of hail and wind. at 4 past 7 A. M. wore Ship and layed by the wind heading S. S. E. Gun one Sail and so ends this Day