

Remarks on board ship Thomas Dickason, of New Bedford.

Saturday, Nov 21st, 1863.

Forepart moderate; latter part strong winds from the northward. Laying anchored at San Francisco.

Sunday 22nd.

Strong northerly winds, with occasional lulls. About 8 P.M. payed out about 10 fathoms on the port chain.

Monday 23rd.

Forepart middling strong variable northerly winds. Latter part the wind more moderate.

Tuesday 24th.

Light, and moderate, variable winds.

Employed at stowing casks, & filling them with fresh water.

Wednesday 25th.

Light and moderate variable winds.

Thursday 26th.

Light variable winds. Laying anchored at San Francisco.

Friday 27th.

Light variable breezes. Took on board some fresh water.

Saturday 28th.

Light moderate and middling strong variable winds principally from the northward. Took on board flour, bread, meat, &c.

Sunday 29th.

Light variable winds.

Monday 30th.

Light variable northerly winds. Employed at stowing provisions, &c.

Nov 25th, Joseph Wells deserted from the ship.

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Tuesday December 1st, 1863.

Light and moderate variable winds.

Wednesday 2nd.

Light variable winds. Laying anchored at San Francisco.

Thursday 3rd.

Light variable winds, with some fog. Employed at heaving up and clearing the port anchor.

Friday 4th.

Light and moderate variable winds with some fog. The ship laying at an anchor at San Francisco.

Saturday 5th.

Forepart light variable winds. At 8 A.M. hove sheet and about 8 a steam tug boat came; we then took the anchor, and she towed us out to sea, and left us about 11; we then set the topsails, courses, jib, and spanker; braced up on the starboard tack to a fresh northwesterly wind, till about 2 P.M. then kept away to the southward. Stowed the anchors. Latter part steering south southeast.

Lat. 35° 10' N.

Sunday 6th.

Moderate northwesterly winds. Forepart steering S.E.; latter part S.E. Under necessary sail throughout.

Lat 33° 20' S.

Monday 7th.

Light variable northwesterly winds. The ship under all sail. Steering southeast.

Lat 31° 53'

Tuesday 8th.

Light variable northwesterly winds. Steering southeast by east with all sail. Employed at getting the boats ready for whaling &c.