

Private Journal.

Remarks on board Ship Monticello Sun Dec 9th 49
Light breezes & fair weather these 24 hours
steering to the wind to the S.W. nothing
in sight except 6 or 8 seals swimming
& the cloudy or blunder sky but no land
word bound so ends this day
Lat 41° 33' N. Long 158° 25' W

Remarks on board Friday December 15th 49
Breeze South East Trade & fair weather
these 24 hours. At 10 PM crossed the equator
into fine breeze to the South. Oh when shall
we cross it to the North of the shelf
around the wharfs of home & bring the welcome
day. So ends
Lat 11° 15' S
Long

Remarks on board Sunday Dec 17th 49
Breeze winds from the Eastward all
these 24 hours steering to the S.E. with the
most & topgallant standing out except to be
seen it the Monticello for Nantucket saying
we even to forward with us yet a wind as this
yesterday at noon our Lat was 22° 00' S Long 166° 18' W
Long 166° 58' W

Remarks on board Sunday Dec 23rd 49
Small breeze & fair weather these
24 hours steering to the Southward since
all drawing sail so ends this day
Homeward Bound Oh how we heartily
breeze & kept us to our station here
Lat 16° 23' S Long 158° 33' 45'

Homeward Bound Ship Monticello

Remarks on board Tuesday January 1st 1850

These 24 hours commences with fresh
winds from the Eastward & rainy weather
midle part much the same at 6 AM
raised a school of sperm whales going
quick to the windward source for them
with out success latter part steering by
the wind to the South. several
are at last we have perfect Thorngroup
saw why take but could not fetch
Purto Rico so here we go.

To my Dear friends at home I sincerely
wish you all a happy new year. So ends
Lat 26° 20' S Long 161° 15'

Remarks on board Sunday Jan 6th

These 24 hours we have breeze from
the S.W. and thick rainy weather
the first part midle & latter parts fair
weather steering to the S. & under all sail
most of the ships company employed
a reading. So ends this day
Lat 31° 00' N Long 166° 00' W

Remarks on board Sunday Jan 13th

Calm these 24 hours nothing
in sight except a school of porpoises
so ends this day Caught a Sperm
Lat 41° 25' N Long 165° 00'

Remarks on board Sunday Jan 20th

Light breeze from the Eastward & fair
weather these 24 hours steering to the East with
all drawing sail but had very small breeze
since last sunset with the exception of 24 hours
but are in hopes of more favorable winds here to
be seen the from home. Lat 47° 30' N Long 149° 50' W