

Notes

Ship Onward of New Bedford Mass & b Palmer

Remarks Friday March 8 1864

all these 24 hours light winds mostly from the eastward
Ship by the wind heading N. E. & broke out the fore sail
think the oil leaks but found nothing wrong

Lat 16° 22' S Long 36° 25' W

Saturday 9th March 8 1864 don't think I can fetch by the same
only gained 2 miles this last 24 hours perhaps the wind
will hold as we draw in shore time will tell

Remarks Saturday March 9 1864

about of these 24 hours light Easterly wind with pleasant
weather Ship heading N. by E most of the time all sail
set Saw one sail steering to the S. W.

Lat 13° 43' S Long 36° 05' W

2 days more like the last I shall be in to the land if the
wind would favour a little home would look much better
than it does at present

Remarks Sunday March 10 1864

all these 24 hours fine breeze from E. S. E. with pleasant weather
steering by the wind heading N. E. by E most of the time
Saw 2 sail steering to the southward

Lat by obs 11° 18' S Long 35° 17' W

No more to sight

Monday March 11 1864

all these 24 hours fine S. E. trades steering N. N. E. all sail
set At 4 P. M. saw Cape Augustine bearing 20 distant
15 miles at present every thing looks favourable for a
quick passage home I think the good ship onward
will go there in 30 days

Lat 9° 50' N Long 34° 43' W

distance 180 miles

Tuesday March 12 1864 all these 24 hours fine S. E.
trades with pleasant weather steering South all sail
set one sail in sight steering to the Northward

Lat 5° 21' S Long 34° 55' W

distance 180 miles

Wednesday March 13 1864 all these 24 hours fresh S. E.
trades with pleasant weather steering South by compass
have strong westerly breeze at least I think for hours
last evening saw the tail of the great Bear shall see the
North star in a few days if this wind continues all looks
like home as we raise up the North star the South star
and magellan clouds are getting low shall soon have them
under water think I shall be home by the 10 of April
God grant I may be with my darling family by that

Lat 2° 13' S Long 35° 46' W

Thursday March 14 distance 185 miles
first part fine breeze from S. E. steering South by compass
middle part light variable winds with rain think we
have lost the S. E. trades hope we shall get the N. E. winds
before long think the good ship onward is in sight but
not am I not certain to make at present

later part calm and rising the obs saw black fish schools
of lowered for them if the weather had been good distance 190 miles

Friday March 15 1864

all these 24 hours light Easterly wind with pleasant
weather steering N. E. by E all sail set

Lat 1° 33' N Long 47° 08' W

Saturday 16 1864

first part light Easterly wind later part wind N. E. strong
steering N. E. by E all sail set

Lat 3° 30' N Long 32° 45' W distance 170 miles

Sunday March 17 1864

Strong N. E. trades with heavy squalls ship under double
reefed topsails and canvas later part more moderate set
top gallant sails

Lat by obs 5° 30' N Long 41° 00' W

distance 185 miles

I think that 3 Sabbath's more will bring me close
to home I hope the 4 will find me at Chesapeake with my
family at present I have very good winds
but bad squally weather I don't mind the squalls if I can