

10 Remarks On Board the Ship *Wilhelm* West of

Tuesday Nov. 8th A.D. 1853

First part brisk wind and hard squalls the ship going South by East sail set. Saw nothing Middle and latter part strong breezes and very heavy squalls with much rain the wind S. E. by E. Steering by the wind to S. E. W. saw a sail ahead kept our glasses on deck to learn the rigging so Ends this day

No. Obs.

Wednesday Nov. 9th 1853

First part strong variable wind from S. E. and rainy weather accompanied with very hard squalls ship under short sail heading South Middle and latter parts light breeze at S. E. and rainy weather steering by the wind to the S. W. saw a sail to leeward nothing there so Ends this day

Lat. 4° 06' N. Long. 28° 28' W.

Thursday Nov. 10th 1853

First part light breeze at S. E. and pleasant ship going saw all sail out saw the sail to leeward Middle and latter parts fresh breeze at S. E. and some rain steering by the wind to South saw nothing the water empty in ship's tanks so Ends this day

No. Obs.

Friday Nov. 11th 1853

First part brisk wind from S. E. and rainy at 1 P.M. saw a shoal of Blackfish lowered and at 3 P.M. the top of our First Mast broke from its base and fell off the deck it is raining fast Middle and latter parts light breeze at S. E. and rainy steering by the wind to East at 10 A.M. had a very heavy squall split the main S. E. sail and took 2 table clothes from it D.K. the top sails were steered S. by E. the wind to S. E. very ragged so Ends this day

No. Obs.

Saturday Nov. 12th 1853

First part brisk wind from S. E. and rainy steering S. by E. under S. E. top sails quite damp weather Middle and latter parts fine breeze from South the weather good the ship on the E. can tack the water empty in Boiling the Blackfish which made 2 barrels saw 2 sails got the main S. E. sail on deck and repaired it

Lat. 4° 12' N. Long. 26° 57' W.

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Sunday Nov. 13th A.D. 1853

First part fine breeze at South and pleasant steering by the wind to South saw 2 sails Middle and latter parts light variable air from S. E. and steering S. E. by S. saw a sail to E. this Ends this day

Lat. 4° 03' N. Long. 26° 18' W.

Monday Nov. 14th 1853

First part light variable air and calm lowered 2 boats to practice the men this day closes with squalls and much rain Middle and latter parts light breeze at S. E. and pleasant steering by the wind on South tacks saw a sail the water empty in forenoon the water S. sail so Ends this day

Lat. 4° 03' N. Long. 25° 40' W.

Tuesday Nov. 15th 1853

First part fine breeze at South and overcast weather steering by the wind on both tacks hauled the main top gallant sail Middle and latter parts light breeze at S. E. and pleasant steering by the wind on the S. W. tack saw a ship going S. by E. so Ends this day

Lat. 4° 02' N. Long. 26° 32' W.

Wednesday Nov. 16th 1853

First part fine breeze from S. E. and good weather ship going the S. W. by the wind saw nothing the water empty in getting spare spars over the stern Middle and latter parts fine breeze at S. E. and pleasant steering by the wind to S. W. saw a ship did not lower the water empty in 2 ships duties fine then a cask of onions so Ends this day

Lat. 4° 00' N. Long. 27° 53' W.

Thursday Nov. 17th 1853

First part light air and pleasant steering S. E. by the wind saw nothing the water empty in ship's tanks this evening witnessed some of the ship's movements Middle part strong breeze at S. E. steering by the wind to the South the weather good all sail out at 10 P.M. we crossed the Equinoctial line steering S. by E. latter part wind and weather much the same a heavy squall saw nothing thus Ends this day

Lat. 4° 00' N. Long. 28° 14' W.