

14 Remarks On Board Ship *Wm. Wirt* of New Bedford

Tuesday Nov. 25th 1853

First part brisk gales from N.E. and good weather steering W. S. W. and W. S. W. the water employ in ships status Middle and latter parts Cape Trio bears W. S. W. 3 miles distant Middle and latter strong breeze at N.E. and overcast steering S. W. all sail out saw nothing So Ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 28° 01' N.
Long by Act. 42° 48' W.

Wednesday Nov. 30th 1853

First part light variable air at 5 P.M. the wind freshens from E. by S. steering S. W. by S. under S. P. top sails Middle and latter parts brisk gale from S. E. and overcast steering S. W. & S. under S. P. top sail saw nothing So Ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 26° 51' N.
Long by Chron 44° 16' W.

Thursday Nov. 31st 1853

First part strong breeze at S. E. by E. and good weather steering S. W. by S. under easy sail Middle and latter parts light variable wind from E. by S. steering S. W. & S. all sail out saw nothing the water employ in ships status I thus Ends this day caught a Turtle Lat. by Obs. 23° 05' S.
Long by Chron 45° 58' W.

Friday Nov. 3rd Dec. 2nd 1853

First part light breeze from E. and pleasant steering S. W. & S. all sail out Middle and latter parts light air and calm steering S. W. under the Mizzen top sail to mend and shorten it saw a sail to Wind thus Ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 30° 20' S.
Long by Chron 46° 05' W.



Saturday Dec. 3rd 1853

First part light air from S. E. and pleasant steering S. S. W. caught a large SHARK Middle and latter parts light air and calm steering S. S. W. the water employ in breaking out butter &c saw porpoises and a shark steering S. W. & S. Ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 31° 10' S.
Long by Chron 46° 23' W.

Sunday Dec. 4th 1853

First part gentle air from S. E. steering S. S. W. Middle and latter parts light air from W. S. W. and pleasant steering S. S. W. saw a sail So Ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 33° 20' S.
Long by Chron 47° 05' W.

Outward Bound Log of the *Cohasset* Dec. 15



Monday Dec. 5th 1853

First part light variable wind and good weather steering S. S. W. saw a large whale and caught a Turtle, lowered 2 boats for the boat steered out his hand and missed him and saw a sail ahead Middle and latter parts at 1 P.M. commenced to breeze up from S. S. W. ship head S. E. under S. P. top sail saw nothing So Ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 33° 58' S.
Long by Chron 46° 36' W.

Tuesday Dec. 6th 1853

First part strong wind at S. W. and close reefed fore and Mizzen top sail D. R. main top sail and stay saw Middle and latter parts becalmed a heavy sea on sent down the Mizzen royal mast So Ends this day
Long by Chron 46° 55' W.
Lat. by Obs. 34° 31' S.

Wednesday Dec. 7th 1853

First part light variable air from N. E. and pleasant steering S. S. E. all sail out saw a shark did not catch Middle and latter parts brisk wind at N. and overcast steering S. W. & S. all sail out saw fin backs nothing more So Ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 35° 45' S.
Long by Chron 48° 08' W.

Thursday Dec. 8th 1853

First part brisk from N. E. Wind some rain steering S. S. W. all sail out caught a porpoise saw a whale did not ascertain his kind Middle and latter parts part brisk breeze at S. S. W. steering by the wind to S. E. all sail out the lightest sail in saw fin backs, grampas, and a porpoise caught another porpoise the iron broke from another saw a whaler to leeward
Lat. by Obs. 37° 25' S.
Long by Chron 47° 45' W.

Friday Dec. 9th 1853

First part caught a Porpoise brisk wind from S. W. and heavy squalls ship on the Western Tack under S. P. top sails saw fin backs Middle and latter parts light air from S. S. E. and pleasant steering by the wind to West S. W. all sail out saw nothing but fin backs So Ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 38° 11' S.
Long by Chron 48° 32' W.
Long by Chron 48° 42' W.

Saturday Dec. 10th

First part light variable air and good weather saw nothing got a Lunar Middle and latter parts fine breeze at S. W. & W. and good weather steering S. S. W. all sail out under the fore top sail and repaired it and bent it again the works going boiling Porpoise of which I caught the benefit
Lat. 38° 15' S.
Long 48° 06' W.