

Ship Young Phoenix New Bedford

Remarks on Board Monday May 1st 1839

Commences with moderate breezes & thick weather wind from North steering E by S by compass saw large flocks of small birds called the white whale bird weather unsettled. Barometer standing at change Middle part at 3 P.M. daylight squall of rain at 11 clear over head at 1 P.M. set steering sails. Latter part at 5 P.M. set up main royal yard at 10 P.M. got time Distance & made the Chas 1200. To show at 10 P.M. haul in to 1 P.M. & 8 hazy weather
Lat 38° 16' Long by Sun 80° 11' by Chas 80° 26' E

Remarks on Board Tuesday May 2nd 1839

Commences moderate breezes & thick weather wind from N. E. & steering East by compass took in steering sails at 1 P.M. a heavy rain at 3 P.M. a calm at 4 P.M. got a strong breeze from North & cleared overhead at 8 P.M. took in fore & main topgallant sails Middle part weather much the latter part breezed on at 1 P.M. took in main topgallant sail at 10 P.M. single reefs at 11 P.M. doubled reefs a strong gale from N. E. steering East by compass so goes this 24 hours
Lat 38° 36' South
Long by Chas 75° 8' E

Remarks on Board Wednesday May 3rd 1839

Commences with fresh gales from N. E. & clear weather steering East at 1 P.M. took in main sail employed bracking out for water Middle part blowing heavy Latter part breezed on at 10 P.M. close reefs so goes this 24 hours
Lat 38° 28' S
Long by Chas 78° 0' E

Remarks on Board Thursday May 4th 1839

First part blowing a heavy gale from N. E. with overcast weather steering East by compass saw some birds at 4 P.M. reefed the fore sail Middle part wind calmed in at 1 P.M. & clear with puffing at 2 P.M. turn the reefs out of the fore sail turn one reef out of the main topgallant blowing heavy from West steering East so goes this day saw large flocks of
Lat 38° 00' S
Long by Chas 82° 0' E

Ship Young Phoenix Indian Ocean

Remarks on Board Friday May 5th 1839

Commences with heavy gale from S. E. but clear with strong squalls at 4 P.M. set single reef topsails & jib steering E by S Middle part overcast made all sail set steering sail 10 P.M. at 3 P.M. set the main royal overcast breezes & overcast weather wind from N. E. & steering E by S the watch employed on sundry jobs About the ship so goes this 24 hours
Lat by Acct 37° 38' S
Long by Chas 88° 14' E

Remarks on Board Saturday May 6th 1839

First part attends moderate breezes from W. S. W. with overcast weather steering E by S by compass with all drawing sail set to advantage Employed bracking out for provisions & Middle part at 8 P.M. light of rain at 10 P.M. wind haul at 1 P.M. & cleared with a strong breeze took in steering sail & main royal at 1 P.M. took in topgallant sails strong squalls Latter part more moderate set topgallant sails at 4 P.M. set fly jib & main royal & out steering sail so ends
Lat 37° 11' South
Long by Chas 88° 41' East

Remarks on Board Sunday May 7th 1839

Attends with fresh gales from the S. E. W. with puffing clouds steering E by S by compass with all drawing sail set Middle part overcast with moderate breezes Latter part much the same all sail set a large number of birds scaling about the ship so goes this day
Lat 37° 24' S
Long by Chas 92° 55' E

Remarks on Board Monday May 8th 1839

First part commences with moderate breezes from N. E. & overcast weather steering E by S by compass with all drawing sail set Middle part no material alteration Latter part strong breezes & squally Barometer standing at fair saw large flocks of small birds & a number of large ones a skulking round the ship
Lat 36° 29' S
Long by Chas 96° 11' E