

Ship Young Phoenix of New Bedford 1837.

Remarks on Board Tuesday December 18th 1837

Commences with fresh gales from S.E. & clear with passing clouds turn the reef out of the topsails & set the main top galante sail. Heading East at 7 P.M. come up equally again double reefed. Middle part weather more moderate at daylight made all sail. Latter part moderate breezes from S.E. with overcast weather headed up N.E. saw nothing so ends this day by times. Lat 31.58 S Long by Chron 106.41 E

Remarks on Board Wednesday December 19th 1837

First part of this twenty four hours attends with light breezes from S.E. with overcast weather steering by the wind to the N.E. the watch employed drawing & hatching gamma. Middle part falling tins & calm. Latter part got a light breeze from W.N.W. steering East by compass with all drawing sail set employed. Departing sails so ends with fine weather & no fish. Lat 31.58 S Long by Chron 107.33

Remarks on Board Thursday December 20th

This twenty four hours commences with breezes from N.W. with pleasant weather steering East by compass the watch employed about the rigging saw blackfish middle part took in light sails at 2 P.M. come to within the main topsail to the mast. Latter part steered East saw porpoises so ends no fish. Made the Sexton 20 miles to W. of the Cape. Lat 31.30 S Long by Chron 110.08 E

Remarks on Board Friday December 21st 1837

This day commences with pleasant breezes & fine weather wind from S.W. steering East by compass the watch employed on Sunday jobs about the rigging. Middle part took in sail lay under a double reefed main topsail. Latter part strong wind from S.W. steered North with all sail out so goes this day. Lat 30.33 S Long by Chron 110.53 E

Remarks on Board Saturday December 22nd

First part strong breezes from South standing to Eastward at 2 P.M. spoke the Samuel Wright of Salem 12 months out with 1650 lbs. of sperm. Middle part strong wind blowing strong. Latter part the same saw nothing so ends. Lat 30.28 S Long 111.05 E

From Madagascar towards New Holland. West Coast.

Remarks on Board Sunday December 23rd

This twenty four hours commences with fresh gales from South steering in shore under double reefed topsail in company with the Samuel Wright employed sending down top galant. Ends fore & main & fore & main topsails must & fly jib boom at 5 P.M. weared ship close reefed with the fore sail. Middle part blowing heavy. Latter part the same under close reefed standing to the S.W. so goes this day dull times. Lat 30.42 S Long by Chron 110.49

Remarks on Board Monday December 24th

This twenty four hours attends with a heavy gale S.E. headed to the South under close reefed topsails at 9 P.M. took in the Mizzen topsail in company with the Samuel Wright of Salem. Latter part no alteration blowing heavy at 9 P.M. weared ship. Headed up East so goes this 24 hours. Lat 30.57 S Long by Chron 110.53 E

Remarks on Board Tuesday December 25th

First part of this twenty four hours blowing a heavy gale from S.E. standing to the East under close reefed fore & main topsails & fore staysail at 5 P.M. weared ship in company with the Samuel Wright. Middle part weather the same. Latter part fine over head but a nasty swell on made sail steered East so goes this 24 hours. Lat 30.52 S Long by Chron 110.13 E

Remarks on Board Wednesday December 26th

Commences with strong breezes & clear weather standing in shore in company with the William Wright of Salem at sunset shorten sail headed to East. Middle part blowing strong. Latter part steered N.W. under close reefed topsails blowing strong from S.W. saw porpoises so ends. Lat 30.18 S

Remarks on Board Thursday December 27th

Commences with heavy gales from S.W. steering under close reefed fore & main topsails at 5 P.M. to the wind. Middle part blowing heavy. Latter part no alteration standing to East. Lat 29.55 S Long by Chron 110.18 E