

Journal for the Barque Hector

22 December 35¹ 1842 Sunday morning commences with light
breezes from the western steering S.W. by E. of Cape
horn we make sail it is quite warm and
pleasant In the afternoon the wind shifted around
to N.W. steering S.W. by E. we make all sail
on the ship Latitude 56.37 South

on the ship Latitude 50.47
December 26 Monday morning commences with light mists
and rain from the Westward steering S. W. by W.
of Cape Horn. In the afternoon the wind still
blowing the same and accompanied with rain
about 3 o'clock we raised a sail of our Star
board beam we take it to be the mechanic
of Newport No. 7. Latitude today 56.40 South
with heavy squalls

Monday 27. Tuesday morning commenced with heavy squalls of wind and rain from the westward we took in the mainsail and foretop sail closed reefed the main top sail In the afternoon the wind still blowing the same accompanied with squalls of rain and hail with the wind a head a laying too waiting for a fair wind of Cape Horn, Latitude 56. 56 South

Sunday 28th Monday morning commenced with a gale of
 wind and squalls of rain and snow from
 the westward we wore ship and stood
 to the northward we raised ^{about} 3 o'clock going
 of before the ~~officer~~ ^{officer} ~~travelling~~ ^{travelling} home in the
 afternoon the wind still blowing a gale
 accompanied with squalls of rain and snow
 from the westward off Cape Horn Latitude 56° 53' and

Thursday morning commences with the
wind still blowing a gale from the
westward with the ship hove too we have
very heavy squalls of rain and snow in the
Afternoon the wind still blowing a gale of
wind from the south we are waiting
for a fair wind Latitud. 56. 10 South

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December 30th 1843 Friday morning commences with the wind blowing a gale from S.W. accompanied with squalls of hail and rain and we set the foresail it is very cold In the afternoon the wind still blowing the same accompanied with squalls of rain and snow it blows very hard at times so that we have to haul^d up the foresail very often, and the Latitude is 56. 10. South

January 31st Saturday morning commences with the wind blowing from S. W. 4 p.m. 3 o'clock two sails in when in sight to day the weather more, in the afternoon the ^{wind} became fair so that we shook out the reefs and shape our course latitude 56. N. 9. South

May 1st 1843 Sunday morning commences with a fair wind blowing from the Northward we are steering W. at 3 o'clock we raised the Land Cape Horn with a sail in sight at 6 o'clock fair away calm and pleasant quite warm In the afternoon the wind blows fresh from N. W. we are steering S. W. by S. with Cape Horn in sight and other land we left the sail we raised about 2 o'clock out of sight. Latitude to day 55-42 South

Monday Morning commences with light winds and rain from the westward steering S. by W. with land in sight a sail in sight right astern In the afternoon the wind shifted to N. W. and began to blow a gale of wind so that we had to shorten sail it till squally and rain and very cold with that sail still in sight standing the same way we are the is about 4 miles off she is a large ship a whale Latitude to day 57.6 South