

Journal

Saturday 2 Dec 1843

Blowing heavy squalls to 6h PM when the wind shifted to South West and fell calm continued the same through the middle part latter a light breeze sprung up from the Northward tacked ship at 10h AM to the North and eastward thick fog and rain the watch breaking out bread

Course	Winds	Lat	Long
NE N. NW ENE NW. SW. N			

Sunday 3 Dec

Thick foggy weather blowing fresh gales from the North through the first part at 10h double reefed the topsails at 11h PM took in the jib spanker and main top galen sail carried away the main tuck bent it and set the main sail again at day light made all sail on the ship caught a porpoise to day which made us a fresh mess

Course	Winds	Lat	Long
ENE NBE E N. NW		37° 24' S	37° 54' W

Monday 4 Dec

Calm through the first and middle parts latter light breezes but variable the watch employed repairing the main sail saw a very large sperm whale to day going quick to the South

Course	Winds	Lat	Long
ANE	ESW	none	

Tuesday 5 Dec

Thick foggy weather throughout this day light breezes through the first and middle part at 5h AM commenced a heavy thunder storm which lasted for 3 hours winds very baffling and blowing very hard with latter part tacked ship at 3h AM tacked again at 5h almost all sail in from five o'clock to 10h heavy rain

Course	Winds	Lat	Long
NE NW ENE	Variable	none	

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Wednesday 6 Dec 1843

Blowing very heavy squalls in the first part middle and latter more moderate at 5h PM the wind shifted to West a very heavy head swell running at 6h set the jib spanker main sail double reefed fore single reefed main topsails and main top galen sail at day light all sail set the watch employed refitting rigging

Course	Winds	Lat	Long
NNE	NW. W.	34° 10' S	35° 50' W

Thursday 7 Dec

This day commenced cloudy and calm through the first and middle parts latter a light breeze from the Eastward the topsails on the caps to 5h AM the watch employed breaking out water find the water very short part of the watch working at the rigging

Course	Winds	Lat	Long
NNE	East		

Friday 8 Dec

This day commenced with strong breezes middle part blowing very fresh latter light at 11h 40m BDE took in fore top galen sail spanker double reefed the fore topsail at 9h AM all sail set and clear weather the watch employed at the rigging

Course	Winds	Lat	Long
NE N E N	E. ESE	30° 46'	34° 59'

Saturday 9 Dec

Moderate breezes and clear weather throughout this day the wind were variable from ENE to ESE the watch employed at the rigging and turning in the top mast back stay

Course	Winds	Lat	Long
NNE	ENE ESE	29° 22' S	35° 15' W