

Remarks on Board of Ship Niger of Cruising on the Mexican

Feb 23rd 1879
This day begins with a gale from N.E. & ship under lower fore & main topsails running to S.E. by S. at 7 p.m. wind hauled to S.W. with rain squalls ship by the wind to S.E. Middle Part strong breeze from S.W. later Part strong breeze with squalls weather soupy N.E. At 11.45. Course S.E. So Ends this days work in Lat 34.30 Long 00.58 E

Feb 24 1879
This day begins with a strong breeze from S.W. & ship by the wind to S.E. Nothing in sight Middle & latter Part Wind the same ship by the wind to the Eastward Nothing in sight So Ends this days work in Lat 34.15 Long by D reckoning

Feb 25th 1879
This day begins with a fine breeze from S ship under all sail working to the Eastward saw a shoal of porpoise at 6.30 p.m. shorten sail Middle & later Part wind the same at 7 A.M. we were ship and made sail ship standing to the Westward we are employed in Rattling down the main Rigging the Weather being nothing in sight So Ends this days work in Lat 33.45 Long 3.05 E

Feb 26th 1879
This day begins with Lite air from the S Middle & latter Part Wind the same we are employed in ships duty finish Rattling down So Ends this days work in Lat 34.22 S. Lon 2.00 E

New Bedford Thomas A Hallett Master

Feb 27 1879
This day begins with lite breeze from S.E. by S. Course N.W. by N. with top gallant sail set latter Part Wind from S.E. like the same we bent down the fore sail to Repair it before we finish the sail we at 11.40 A.M. we saw whales for this ends this days work Lat 34.20 S. Long 00.20 E

Feb 28th 1879
This day begins with lite breeze from S.E. at 12.30 we sawed for whales they were boat got a whale Middle Part we lay with the whale alongside at 5 A.M. we call all hands to cut in and start the line at 12 M. & Ends this days work in Lat 34.29 S. Long 00.15 E

March 1st 1879
This day begins with Lite air & Calm we are employed in Hoisting Middle Part Calm latter Part fine breeze from N.E. ship zigzagging over the grounds saw a shoal of porpoise and Grampus this has been a fine day we finish Hoisting So Ends this days work in Lat 34.33 S. Long 00.08

March 2nd 1879
This day begins with a fine breeze from N. ship zigzagging over the grounds at 6 p.m. we shorten sail and heading in N.W. by N. Middle Part Wind the same latter Part Wind the same we bent down the fore sail to Repair it So Ends this days work in Lat 34.50 S. Long 00.24 E