

On Board Ship Henry Kneeland March 7th 1853

Monday

First of this day, fresh breeze from the SSW and squally weather at 1st P.M. Double reefed ship by the wind heading SW and WSW at 3 P.M. let up and the wind veered to the N by E and moderated out reefs and set topgallant sails steering W by S at 4 1/2 P.M. Weather thick and rainy, wind from WNW handed the topgallant sails & fligibb at 4 P.M. handed the topgallant sails & fligibb at 6 the wind changed suddenly in a squall to the SW and blew very hard called all hands to get sail in fixed every thing, but 3 goes wings maintop sail topmast stay sail & main spencer at 9 P.M. wind veered to SSW wore ship to the N.W. and midnight moderated at 8 A.M. Wind light and good weather employed making a new back rope the other one parted and went overboard.

Lat 56-13 S

Tuesday 8th

Long 60

First of this day, light airs and bafflin weather hazy at 2 P.M. sprung up a breeze from the North steered WSW at 3 wind freshened with rain handed the fore and main topgallant sails & fligibb at 5 P.M. handed the main and double reefed the top sails at 6 handed the gibb & mainsail weather thick and rainy and wind fresh from N.W. steered SW. Middle & latter part heavy gale from the SW and WSW at 11 P.M. wore ship to the N.W. turned up the Waist Boat 10 A.M. she rode the waist board under & stove her

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Wednesday

First of this day, heavy gale from the S.W. laying to head to the N.W. under close main & main spencer at 8 P.M. Moderated some set the maintop sail close reefed with thick and rainy, middle part quite moderate set the foresail and close reefed main top sails at 7 A.M. nearly calm made all sail and wore ship to the SSW at 9 A.M. light breeze from the SSE steered S.W. one schooner in sight steering to the Westward employed getting out water and provisions, stowing off the after tub & CC 14 Days since we passed Statenland this Day.

Lat 56-01 S

Long 65-50 W

Thursday 11th

First of this day, light NNE wind and clear weather all sail out steering S.W. Middle part light airs at 6 A.M. saw Cape Horn Island Bearing WSW by compass saw say two sail Bound East latter part wind North set the standing sails steering SW

Lat 56-16 S

Long 67-16 W

Friday 12th

First of this day, fine breeze from the North and clear weather all sail set steering S.W. at 2 P.M. Cape Horn Island Bearing North true and at 6 saw the Diegoes Bearing SW by W by compass 50 miles off weather thick cloudy and wild looking one sail in sight bound to the Westward and one bound to the Eastward