

Remarks on board the ship B. Williams of Stonington

Monday November 5th, 1841. — These 24 hours fine breezes from N.W. to N.N.W. steering S.E. until 7 P.M. thence we took in sail heading W. under double reefed main topsail foresail & foretopmast staysail at 5 o'clock A.M. we called all hands & set all sails steering S. the weather pleasant, our Capt is very unwell, he has been so some 3 or 4 weeks, we saw a school of blackfish this A.M. going fast. thus ends.

Lat 36° 11' South.

Tuesday November 6th, — Commences with fine breezes from N.W. & pleasant weather steering S. until 3 P.M. thence we kept the ship by the wind heading E. at 7 P.M. we took in sail, at the same time it commenced raining, the ship heading E. by N. under close reefed maintop sail & foresail, from 8 P.M. until 3 A.M. the wind blew fresh in squalls from N. attended with rain, thence it shifted to N.N.W. at 5 A.M. all hands was called, we set the fore & main topsail & kept the ship off steering E. by N. at 6 o'clock we set the main topgalantsail the watches have been employed this A.M. at repairing the mizzen topsail this A.M. fresh breezes & squalls of light rain.

From 8 to 10 P.M. our Capt was troubled with faint spells he was attended with watches through the night this A.M. he is some better, thus ends.

Lat 35° 32' South Long 92° 25' E. by theon

Wednesday November 7th These 24 hours fresh gales from N.W. attended with frequent squalls of wind & rain, this P.M. steering E. by N. until 7 P.M. thence we took in sail heading N. by the wind under double reefed maintop sail, foresail & foretopmast staysail. at 5 A.M. we called all hands & set the topsails double reefed, & mainsail & jib this A.M. we have seen a number of finback whales. at 3 P.M. we finished & bent the mizzen topsail thus ends.

Lat 34° South

Thursday November 8th, — These 24 hours fresh gales from N.W. to N. attended with frequent squalls of wind & rain at 7 P.M. we took in sail heading S.W. under double reefed main top, foresail & foretopmast staysail, in the course of the night the wind shifted to W.S.W. at 5 A.M. we called all hands & set the fore & main topsails single reefed, & kept the ship off steering E. thus ends.

Lat 34° 3' South Long 94° 49' East.

Friday November 9th, — These 24 hours fresh gales from W.S.W. attended with frequent squalls of wind & light rain also a heavy swell at 7 o'clock P.M. we took in sail & hoisted the ship too under close reefed main top sail, foresail & staysail heading N.W. at 5 o'clock A.M. we called all hands & set all sails except jibs & mizzen topgalantsail thence we kept the ship off steering E. thus ends.

Lat 33° 34' South.

Saturday November 10th, — All these 24 hours fresh breezes from W.S.W. the first part, at 5 A.M. the wind hauled to S.W. steering S.E. until 9 A.M. thence S.E. these 24 hours attended with frequent squalls carrying all sails except mizzen topgalantsail & flying jib.

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we have seen a number finback whales, & caught a porpoise. Thus ends,

Lat 33° 58' S. Long 100° 15' East.

Sunday Nov 11th, — Commences with fresh gales from S.W. gradually shifting S. the middle part attended with frequent squalls of wind & light rain, at 7 P.M. we took in the fore & main topgalantsails, the latter part fine breezes from S. steering S.E. at 8 A.M. we set the fore & main topgalantsails. we have seen a number of finback whales this day. thus ends.

Lat 34° 49' S.

Monday Nov 12th, — All these 24 hours fine breezes from S to S.E. steering by the wind heading to the S.E. the weather overcast, at 4 A.M. we set the flying jib & mizzen topgalantsail we have seen a number of finback whales this day. thus ends.

No observation

Tuesday Nov 13th, Fine breezes from S. the first part pleasant weather, the middle part overcast, & attended with frequent squalls the latter part pleasant, steering steering S.E. by the wind at 1 P.M. we took in the flying jib & mizzen topgalantsail at 5 A.M. we set them again, the watches have been employed at sundry small jobs about the ship, our Capt sickness is no better. so ends.

Lat 34° 11' S. Long 109° 10' East

Wednesday Nov 14th, — These 24 hours fine breezes from S. & pleasant weather steering by the wind heading S.E. at 4 o'clock P.M. we spoke the bark *New Liverpool* of London, the watches have been employed at sundry jobs about the ship. thus ends

Lat 34° 3' S. Long 112° E.

Thursday Nov 15th, These 24 hours moderate and baffling breezes from S.E. to S.W. steering by the wind heading from E. to S.E. until 12 M. thence we tacked ship heading west at 4 A.M. we tacked ship heading S.E. at 11 A.M. we spoke the ship *Young Phoenix* of New Bedford 6 months out 90 tons specm. the Capt. came on board of us & stayed an hour or two. thus ends. the weather overcast

No observation,

Friday Nov 16th Commences with fine breezes from S.W. & pleasant weather steering by the wind heading S.E. at 4 P.M. the wind from S.W. the ship heading S.E. at 6 P.M. we took in the flying jib & topgalantsails, at 8 P.M. the wind from W.S.W. steering S. by E. this P.M. the ship *Young Phoenix* was in sight until 8 o'clock & another ship in sight off our lee quarter. at 1 A.M. the S. watch double reefed the fore topsail & single reefed the mizzen topsail. at 7 A.M. we took in the jib, mainsail, & mizzen topsail & double reefed the maintop sail. blowing a fresh gale. attended