

Remarks on Board of Ship Bowditch of Warren R.I.

Monday November the 12th
Commences with a fresh breeze from the S.E. by S. and fine
pleasant weather, the ship with all drawing sail set steering S.S.W.
the middle and latter part strong and steady breezes
and fine weather, the watch employed with ship's duty
Lat by Obs 6.23 South Long by Chron 26.27 West

Tuesday November the 13th
Continues a brisk breeze from the S.E. by S. attended with fine
weather the ship with all drawing sail set steering S.S.W.
one sail in sight to the North standing to the Southward
the middle part a fresh breeze from the S.E. and the
latter part moderate and veering to the S.E. with fine
pleasant weather, the watch employed as usual
Lat by Obs 9.25 South Long by Chron 27.04 West

Wednesday November the 14th
Commences with a moderate breeze from the S.E. by S. and
the weather fine and pleasant all drawing sail set steering
S.S.W. at 2 P.M. kept off S.W. and at 4 P.M. saw a fin back.
the middle and latter part a brisk breeze from the S.E.
and weather fine. Nothing of the Whales variation of the
compass 6 West, Lat by Obs 11.40 South Long by Chron 28.27 West

Thursday the 15th of November 1848
the first part of these 24 hours a brisk breeze from
the S.E. attended with fine weather the ship under
all drawing sail steering S.W. the middle and latter part
fresh and some cloudy wind from the East at 4 P.M. passed
a vessel bound to the Northward, at 9.30 saw breachers
run for them and hauled aboard and they vied to be jumpers
the watch employed with sundry jobs
Lat by Obs 13.55 South Long by Chron 29.56 West

Friday the 16th of November
Commences with a light breeze from the East and the weather
pleasant the ship with all drawing sail set steering S.W.
through the night light breezes from the N.E. the latter part
a brisk breeze and the weather good, at 12 M. hauled up
board and set the jibs. Nothing of the Whales kind
the watch employed with ship's duty, variation of the compass 6 West
Lat by Obs 15.35 South Long by Chron 30.36 West

Nelson Whaleron Matter, bound toward the Indian Ocean

Saturday November the 17th 1848
Commences with a moderate breeze from the N.E. with fine weather
Ship with all drawing sail set steering South, at 9 P.M.
passed a large ship standing N.N.W. middle part strong breezes
and cloudy, at 3 P.M. began to rain at 6 P.M. passed a large
standing N.N.W. the latter part strong breezes from the N.E.
attended with heavy rain, at 12 M. kept off S.W. by S. to clear Tenedos
same time took in the fore top mast studding sail. No Wh.
Lat by Obs 18.10 South Long by Obs 30.10 West

Sunday November the 18th
Commences with a fresh breeze from the N.E. with thick weather
and rain, ship with all sail set steering S.W. by S. at 5 P.M.
the wind hauled to the S.E. and the weather more clear, hauled
down the main tack and set jib, and at 6 hauled up one point S.S.W.
at 8 P.M. increasing gales and furling the topgallant sails
from 9 to 10 P.M. Double reefed the top sails, at 11 P.M.
strong gales and dark, ship going 8 knots and a look out on the bow
struck against what we suppose to be a Whale, and started the stem piece
slowing it to the port, and tearing the copper and sheathing from the stem
at 2 P.M. more moderate and the wind from the S.E. let the reef out
of the top sails, and at 5 set the top gallant sails, tried the pump
but found no water of any consequence in the ship, at 7.30 P.M.
strong breezes with squally appearances furling the fore and main top gallant sails
the 24 hours and with a strong breeze from the S.E. and fair weather
Lat by Obs 20.26 South Long by Chron 30.53 West

Monday November the 19th
These twenty four hours commences with a strong breeze from the S.E.
and fair weather. the ship under whole top sails and main top gallant sail set
standing by the wind to the S.S.W. at 6 increasing breezes and
furling the main top gallant sail, at 8 P.M. the wind hauled
to the S.E. ship heading south, at 1 P.M. set the main
top gallant sail, at day light found that the copper was
leaving the stem, and the stem piece working loose, at 9 P.M.
the Capt concluded to go to Rio Janeiro, and repair the Damage
and kept off N. by S. & set the fore and main top gallant sails
and the barboard fore top mast studding sail, the 24 hours and
with a strong breeze from the S.E. and some squally
Lat by Obs 22.07 Long by Obs 31.50 West