

Monday Dec the 17th 1849

Commenced with light breezes from the West and the Weather herey. the Ship with all sail set steering S.E. at 5 P.M. the wind veered to the South and the Weather clear, took in the Studding sail and braced up sharp heading to the Eastward the Middle and Latter strong breezes and heavy Weather at 7 A.M. furled the flying jib, Ends with strong breezes from the S.E. Ship heading E.N.E. Lat by Obs 29.20 Long by Chron 56.05

Tuesday Dec the 18th

the first part of these 24 hours strong breezes from the S.E. veering to the Eastward and the Weather herey. Ship by the wind with all sail set heading N.E. by E. at 2 P.M. backed to the Southward, at 10 P.M. the Wind from the N.E. kept the Ship S.E. and set the Starboard fore top Mast Studding sail from 12 to 4 A.M. the wind hauled to the N.W. and squally appearances, at 11 A.M. squally with rain and thunder & lightning and took in the Studding sail, Ends squally from the N.W. with rain, No Obs

Wednesday Dec the 19th

Commenced with strong breezes from the N.W. and squally Weather with rain, Ship steering S.E. with all prudent sail set, at 3 P.M. the wind changed in a squall from the W.S.W. same time furled the top gallant sails, and single reefed the Mizzen top sail, at 6 P.M. more moderate left the reef out of the Mizzen top sail, and set the Main Top Gallant sail, the Middle part fresh gales from the W.S.W. and rugged, at 5 A.M. set the fore and Mizzen top Gallant sails, and set the Starboard fore top Mast Studding sail, Ends with strong breezes from the W.S.W. and a large swell, Nothing of the Whale kind Lat by Obs 31.10 Long by Chron 32.30 West

Thursday Dec the 20th

Commenced with strong breezes from the W.S.W. and rugged Weather Ship with all drawing sail set steering S.E. the Middle and Latter part light air from the N.W. with a turbulent swell coming from the S.W. which makes the Ship roll bad, the Watch employed setting up the main rigging, and on sundry jobs about the Ship

Lat by Obs 32.21, Long by Chron 31.13
Variation of the Compass 3° Westerly

Friday December, the 21st 1849

these four & twenty hours commenced with a light breeze from the N.W. the Weather warm with heavy swell from the S.W. Ship with all drawing sail set steering S.E. at 4 P.M. saw a Barque to the South standing to the N.E. through the slight calm and pleasant, at 8 A.M. a light air from the N.E. and set the jib and Main sail and mended the fore Top sail to repair and at 12 M. bent it again and set the fore top Mast Studding sail Lat by Obs 32.48 Long by Chron 30.48

Saturday December the 22nd

Commenced with a light breeze from the N.E. veering to the Eastward, and the Weather good, Ship with all sail set steering S.E. at 2 P.M. wind from the East took in the Studding sail & braced sharp heading S by E from 9 to 10 P.M. the wind hauled back to the N.E. and set the Studding sail, steering S.E. the Middle and Latter part pleasant breezes and fair Weather the Watch employed with Ship's Duty Lat by Obs 34.11 South, Long by Chron 29.33 West

Sunday Dec the 23rd

Commenced with light breezes from the N.E. attended with fine weather Ship with all sail set steering S.E. at 1.30 P.M. saw a School of Sperm Whales lowered four Boats, and struck one the S Boat and one to the Starboard Boat and one to the S Boat, the L Boat drew in the Starboard and S Boat killed their Whales and took them to the Ship at 6 P.M. and got all ready for cutting in the morning, at 4 A.M. commenced cutting and at 6 finished at 11 got the decks clear and veered ship and kept off East with a fresh breeze from the North it is supposed the two Whales will make 25 blb. at 11.30 began to hit the first Oil, Lat by Obs 35.12 Long by Chron 22.50

Monday December the 24th

Commenced with fresh breezes from the North and heavy Weather Ship under whole top sail, jib & fore sail, steering East all hands employed boiling the Whales, the Middle part mended breezes from the N.W. at 10 A.M. saw a Hump Back, at 11 finished boiling and kept off S.E. and set the main top gallant sail Ends with strong gale from the N.W. with appearance of rain