Ship Brant of New Bedford in the Pacific

Remarks on Board Sunday October 14th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Fresh Gales from the North with thick rainy Weather Ship Lying too under a Close reeft Main Top Sail Leaving to the E N E middle Part more moderate with heavy Shows & rain at 7 P M Set Double reeft Top Sails on the Ship Latter Part Calm with a heavy sea running from the North, no Barque Ships in sight So Ends these 24 hours all hands Employed

No Obs this Day

Remarks On Board Monday October 15th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Light winds from the E S E with heavy Shows of rain and a thick fog. Ship leaving in different Tacks at 5 P M Tacks in the Fore & Mizen Top Sails and let the Ship lie to under Close reeft Sails middle Part Fresh Gales and thick rainy weather Winds from the North Ship heading E N E Latter Part more moderate with thick rainy weather Ship heading to the N E under a Close reeft Main Top Sail So Ends these 24 hours with bad weather

No Obs this Day.

Remarks On Board Tuesday October 16th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Light Winds from the N W with thick rainy weather Ship heading to the N N E at 5 P M had Cleared up, Set Double reeft Top Sails on the Ship at 6 P M Tack in the Fore & Mizen Top Sails & wore Ship to the S W no Ship in sight all the weather heavy Mist Part gentle Breezes from the W S W Ship heading S W at 6 A M made all Sail on the Ship Latter Part Fresh Breezes Spoke two Ships of the Lee So Ends these 24 hours all hands Employed.

Lat in by Obs 36. 00 S
Long in by Obs 22. 39 W

Atlantic Ocean Cruising for Right Whale

Remarks On Board Wednesday October 17th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Fresh Breezes from W N W Ship heading to the S W at 5 P M Double reeft the Top Sails & hauled the Fore & Main Sail at 5 P M wind freshened to a Gale with heavy squalls Tack in the Fore & Mizen Top Sail & hauled the Fore Sail & wore Ship to the N W 4 Miles Part Fresh Breezes and Pleasant weather with a heavy sea running at 6 A M made all Sail on the Ship at 8 A M Saw a Right Whale lowed the Boats, Larboard Boat fastened to one of the Whales killed it and Sunk Latter Part Fresh Breezes with a heavy sea running Winds from the N W Ship heading on different Tacks So Ends the 24 hours,

Lat 36. 06 S
Long 23 00 W

Remarks On Board Thursday October 18th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Fresh Breezes from the N W with a heavy sea running Ship on different Tacks Cruising for Whales at 6 P M Double reeft the Top Sails and set the Ship to the E N E Middle Part Fresh Breezes with a heavy sea running at 6 A M made all Sail on the Ship Latter Part Fresh Breezes with a heavy sea running winds from N W Ship heading to the N N E, two Ships in sight one to the leward the other to windward So Ends these 24 hours all hands Employed

Lat in by Obs 35. 19 S
Long in by Obs 22. 37 W

Remarks on Board Friday October the 19th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Fresh Breezes from the W N W Ship on different Tacks Cruising saw several fin backs and no Right Whales at 6 P M tack in Sail and let the Ship head to the East Middle Part Light winds & variable at 6 A M made all Sail on the Ship at 8 A M saw a Right Whale Lowed the Boats without success saw several Fin back one Ship in sight to the windward Latter Part light winds & variable with Calms So Ends these 24 hours all hands Employed

Lat in by Obs 35. 25 S