

Ship Board of New Bedford in the South Atlantic

Remarks On Board Wednesday December 19th 1838

First Part of the 24 hours Commenced with light winds from the West with thick foggy weather with showers of rain all hands employed stowing down oil in the after hold at 8 P.M. finished stowing down oil at 7 took in sail and let the ship by under short sail. Middle and latter part thick rainy weather at 7 A.M. spoke the *Sh. Herald* of Fair Haven Dredged five months out with one Right Whale and 50 lbs of sperm, latter part light winds and calm with thick weather, Sun ends the 24 hours,

No Obs this Day

Remarks On Board Thursday December 20th 1838

First Part of the 24 hours Commenced with light winds intermixed with calms, with pleasant weather at 7 took in sail and let the ship by under short sail. Middle part light winds from the N.E. with thick rainy weather at 5 A.M. made all sail on the ship and steered the ship to the Eastward. Latter part fresh breeze from the N.W. with thick foggy weather with heavy showers of rain ship heading to the Eastward. So ends the 24 hours Employed in ship duty.

Lat in by Obs 35° 09' S
Long in by Obs 18° 30' W

Remarks On Board Friday December 21st 1838

First Part of the 24 hours Commenced with thick foggy weather from the N.W. blowing fresh ship under double reefed Top Sail at 9 P.M. the fog cleared up saw several Right Whales to the Windward going quickly at 3 P.M. ran two to the leeward had the Boat with out success at 4 P.M. took in sail and let the ship by to under short sail. Middle part fresh Gale from the North at 7 A.M. took in the Fore Sail. Latter part fresh Gale from the North with thick rainy weather ship heading on different tracks P.M. ends the 24 hours with a Gale of Wind.

No Obs this Day

Ocean Cruising for Right Whales 1838

Remarks On Board Saturday December 22nd 1838

First Part of the 24 hours Commenced with Fresh Gale from the North with thick rainy weather at 2 P.M. wind shifted to the West, ship heading to the N.W. under a Close reefed Main Top Sail & J. Jansen, Middle more moderate at 5 A.M. set double reefed Top Sails on the ship. Latter part Gentle Gale from the S.W. ship heading to the S.E. So ends the 24 hours Employed in Ship Duty.

Lat in by Obs 35° 01' S
Long in by Obs 18° 39' W
Long in by Run 18° 45' W

Remarks On Board Sunday December 23rd 1838

First Part of the 24 hours Commenced with Fresh Gale from the S.W. ship heading to the S.W. under Double reefed Top Sails at 5 P.M. took in sail and let the ship by to under short sail. Middle part more moderate at 5 A.M. made all sail on the ship saw several Right Whales had the Boat with out success. Latter part light wind & variable with a heavy sea running ship heading on different tracks Cruising P.M. ends the 24 hours all hands employed.

Lat in by Obs 34° 30' S

Remarks On Board Monday December 24th 1838

First Part of the 24 hours Commenced with light winds and variable ship heading on different tracks Cruising saw several Right Whales had the Boat with out success, one ship in sight to North at 11 P.M. took in sail and let the ship by to under short sail. Middle part fresh Gale from the N.W. at 6 A.M. took in the Fore Sail, and took in the West Boat. Latter part blowing a heavy Gale of wind from the N.W. ship going to under a Close reefed Main Top Sail. Heading to the West So ends the 24 hours

Lat in by Obs 35° 31' S