

Ship Board of New Bedford in South

Remarks On Board Tuesday December 24th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with a heavy Gale of wind from the SW Ship lying to under a Close reef. Main Top Sail, leading to the NW Wind. Part once moderate at 4 AM made all sail on the Ship saw several fine Boats latter Part light winds and variable with Pleasant weather Ship heading on different tracks Cruising, So ends these 24 hours Employed in Ships Duty.

Lat in by Obs 35.20 S
Long in by Obs 18.39 W
Long in by Run 16.27 W

Remarks On Board Wednesday December 26th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with light winds and variable from West to NW Ship heading on different tracks Cruising saw several Right Whales going quick to the windward head with out success at 7 PM took in the main sail & main top Gallant sail and let the Ship head to the North under the Fore sail. Made Part Fresh Breeze with thick heavy weather latter Part Fresh Gale from the North with thick foggy weather and showers of rain Steaming the Ship SW under short sail So ends these 24 hours,

No Obs. this Day,

Remarks On Board Thursday December 27th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Fresh Gale from the North Ship heading to the SW under short sail at 4 PM the wind shifted to the SE the SW Wind Port more moderate at 4 AM set Double reef Top Sail on the Ship, at 9 AM unbutton the Mizzen Top Sail and let another one, latter Part Fresh Breeze from the West with showers of rain Ship heading on a wind to the SW So ends these 24 hours Employed in ships Duty.

Lat in by Obs 37.40 S
Long in by Obs 16.40 W

Atlantic Ocean Cruising for Right Whales 1838

Remarks On Board Friday December 28th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Fresh Gale from the SW Ship heading on different tracks under Double reef Top Sail at 5 PM took in the fore & main Top Sail let the Ship by to under short sail. Made Part more moderate, at 5 AM under all sail on the Ship, latter Part Gentle Breeze from the South with a heavy sea running ship heading on different tracks Cruising So ends these 24 hours,

Lat in by Obs 37.06 S
Long in by Obs 17.42 W

Remarks On Board Saturday December 29th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with Fresh Breeze from the East with a heavy sea running Ship heading on different tracks at 7 PM took in sail and let the Ship by to under short sail. Made Part Gentle Breeze and Pleasant weather at 5 AM made all sail on the Ship, at 8 AM saw a Right Whale head the Boat the Landward Boat fastened to the Whales side the 1st Whale and run it, lost 3 irons & one lance and 60 fathoms of line, latter Part light winds from the West with pleasant weather Ship heading on different tracks Cruising So ends these 24 hours with bad luck.

Lat in by Obs 36.18 S
Long in by Obs 17.05 W

Remarks On Board Sunday December 30th 1838

First Part of these 24 hours Commences with light winds from the West with Pleasant weather Ship heading on different tracks Cruising at 7 PM took in sail and let the Ship head to the Eastward under short sail. Made Part Gentle Breeze and Pleasant weather at 5 AM made all sail on the Ship at 9 AM saw two Right Whales going quick to the windward, saw several fine Boats latter Part Fresh Breeze from the West with Pleasant weather Steaming the Ship SE by East So ends these 24 hours all hands Employed

Lat in by Obs 36.31 S
Long in by Obs 15.13 W