

Barque Cape Horn Pigeon, William H. Alvey
Monday June 19th 1854

Commenced with fresh breezes from the W and foggy, in the night gale increased, took in sail and soon the ship too, in the forenoon moderated, made sail and kept in our course.

Tuesday 20th

Commenced with strong winds from the W and cloudy saw a ship steering E. latter part calm

Wednesday 21st

First part from the north and calm, saw a ship steering East, lowered the boats for the first time for practice saw Grampuses, and a plenty of chickens.

Thursday 22nd

Strong winds and thick weather from the E, S E. lowered the boats for Blackfish but did not succeed in taking any saw a ship standing to the S E. George lost his cap.

Friday 23rd

Strong winds with heavy showers of rain, double-reefed the topsails & three sails in sight.

Saturday 24th

Fresh breezes and passing clouds, 3 sails in sight.

Sunday 25th

Pleasant weather, a sail in sight, saw porpoises. Another Barque's chickens, and plenty of Hagslets.

Monday 26th

Light winds, pleasant weather, steering E, two sails in sight.

Tuesday 27th

Strong winds from S W, cloudy weather, saw Grampuses

Wednesday 28th

Pleasant, steering E by S, plenty of birds, flying about strong winds from S W, fine weather, saw 2 vessels

Thursday 29th

Cloudy weather, strong winds from the S W fell in with part of a wreck, lowered a boat and went to it, it was a ship's mast with rigging and spars, part of it was burnt, so rough saved nothing.

Master, Outward Bound,

Friday June 30th 1854.

Strong winds from the S W and cloudy, steered E by S.

Saturday July 1st

Fresh breeze from the N W, steered E, S E, five sails in sight, spoke the Barque Osceola of St Bedford, Capt Sampson, & who ut, clean, Capt S. came on board and took tea with us, although a stranger to me, as he was from N W, we soon became acquainted, had calac and some of Aunt Alleribaki's preserve for tea, when Capt S left gave him a bottle of currant wine.

Sunday 2nd

Fresh gales from S W, and cloudy with some rain, ship under short sails, saw nothing.

Monday 3rd

Fresh gales from S W, and fine weather ship cruising for whales, saw nothing but porpoises.

Tuesday 4th

Light winds and clear weather from the W, one sail in sight supposed to be the Osceola, saw finbacks.

Daisy visits the cake-box pretty often, as it is the 4th

Wednesday 5th

Light winds and fine weather, saw finbacks

Thursday 6th

Light winds and calm, three sails in sight.

Friday 7th

Strong winds from the S, and clear, saw finbacks and several vessels.

Saturday 8th

Fresh gales from the S and E, and clear, lowered the boats for blackfish, without success, 3 sail in sight

Sunday 9th

Fresh gales from the S E and cloudy ship under double reefed topsails, one sail in sight.

Monday 10th

Strong winds from S E, steering north, saw porpoises.