

Journal of a Voyage On Board the

Gideon Howland To the Pacific Ocean
Commencing Dec 6th 1838.

Thursday
Dec 6th At 10 A. M. got under way with the wind from the N. W. and fine weather and stood out to sea so ends this day.

Friday
Dec 7th First part of these 24 hours fresh breeze from the N. W. and fine weather at 3 P. M. Discharged the pilot and stowed the channel At 5 P. M. Homans Land E. N. E. 10 miles distant middle part very light breeze at 4 A. M. wind hauled to the S. S. W. steering S. E. by S latter part the same so ends
Lat by Obs 41° 30' N

Saturday
Dec 8th First part of these 24 hours strong winds from the Southward steering by the wind with the starboard Tacks a loud middle part light breeze latter part fresh breeze a ship in sight steering to the Eastward so ends this day.

Sunday
Dec 9th First part of this day strong gales from the Westward at 5 P. M. Doubled reefed the topsails took in jib at half past 5 furled the main sail at close reefed the fore and main topsails and furled the Mizzen at 8 am more moderate set the Mizzen topsail close reefed at 8 shook reefed out of the main topsail latter part the same
Lat by Obs 39° 28' N

Monday
Dec 10th First part of these 24 hours strong winds and squally with rain Middle part the same latter part set the topgalant sails hands employed in ship duty so ends this day
Lat by Obs 38° 30' N