

May Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> 1831  
On board of the Ship Hercules of New Bedford  
Olbert Gooding Master & Bound to the  
Cape of Good Hope in a whaling voyage, and know we  
Judge ourselves in the latitude 38. 37 North and  
in Longitude in 56. 32 West from which I take  
my Departure & C. and middle part of these 24 hours strong  
breeze from the S. E. & Double reefed topsails and  
latter part much the same kind of weather and Lat in  
by Obs 39. 05 North and Long in 52. 37 West  
Wind Sounds these 24 hours S. E. & C.

Tuesday May the 10<sup>th</sup> the first part of these 24  
hours Commences with a strong breeze from the South and  
the watch employed in Ships Duty and under double  
reef topsails & C. and middle part much the same at 4 Pm  
more moused and made sail and latter part pleasant weather and  
winds from the South & Course East and Lat in by Obs  
39. 49 North and Long in 49. 37 West & Sounds these 24

Wednesday May 11<sup>th</sup> the first part of these 24 hours  
Commences with pleasant weather & the winds from the South  
and Course E by S. & the watch employed in Ships duty & C.  
& middle part fresh breezes of wind from the South... and  
latter part much the same weather and Lat in by Obs  
40. 23 North and Long in 46. 30 West & C.

Thursday May the 12<sup>th</sup> 1831  
the first part of these 24 hours Commences with pleasant  
weather & winds from the South & Course E. S. E & C  
at 4 Pm Got the cutting bonnets up to the mast  
head & saw a strong Sail to the windward and  
got the foretopmast Studding sail & C. and middle a light  
one from the S. S. W. & Course E. S. E. & C. and later  
part much the same kind of weather & a strong Sail  
in sight to leeward and Lat in by Obs 40. 30  
North and Long in 45. 32 West and Sounds  
these 24 hours S. E. & C.

Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> May the 13<sup>th</sup> 1831  
the first part of these 24 hours Commences with  
a light breeze from the S. S. E and a. Strong  
Sail in sight & pleasant weather & C. at 3 Pm spoke  
the ship John Chellon of New York from nears bound to  
Liverpool & C. at 6 Pm set Studding sail & C. at 9 Pm  
took them in again & middle part a strong breeze from  
the N. E & C. at 8 Pm much the same weather  
and Lat in by Obs this Day 40. 24 North  
and Long in 42. 36 West & Sounds

Saturday May the 14<sup>th</sup> the first part of  
these 24 hours Commences with strong breeze  
from the N. S. E & Course E. S. E & C.  
and middle part fresh breezes from the N. E. by E. & Course  
S. E. by E. and latter part much the same weather and Lat  
in by Obs 39. 26 North and Long in 38. 50 West

Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> the  
first part of these 24 hours Commences with strong  
breeze from the N. E by N. & Course E. by S. & C.  
at 4 Pm Double reefed topsails & C. at 7 Pm hove in  
the fore & main topsails & C. and middle part & latter part  
much the same kind of weather and Lat in by  
Obs 39. 13 North and Long in 36. 25 West & C.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 16<sup>th</sup> the first part of these 24  
hours Commences with strong winds from the N. E  
at 1 Pm set the fore & main topsails & more  
moused & C. and middle & latter part much the same  
winds & weather and Lat in by Obs 39. 13 North  
and Long in 34. 40 West Long in

May Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> these 24 hours Commences with  
strong breeze from the N. S. E. & a large sea on and  
the watch employed in Ships Duty & C. & C. and middle part  
reef topsails & C. at 7 Pm blowing a gale of wind from the S. S. W.  
and latter part much the same weather & Lat in by Obs 39. 34  
North and Long in 32. 40 West & Sounds these 24 hours