

Outward bound Passage of R. H. A. Hicks

Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1876

Wednesday First of these 24 hours fine weather & a fresh breeze from N.W. at 9 hours A.M. left the wharf in New Bedford at half past 9 the Pilot left us R.H. standing out to sea so ends this day

Oct 19<sup>th</sup>

Thursday First of these 24 hours fine weather & N.W. wind R.H. steering S by E hands busily employed about decks saw a steamer bound to the westward at 3 hours P.M. Womans land bore N.E. 20 miles distant from which I take my departure mid & latter parts weather much the same saw one sail to day so ends this day Lat 40.58 Long 69.21

Oct 20<sup>th</sup>

Friday First of these 24 hours fine weather & a moderate breeze from W.N.W. R.H. steering S by E hands employed getting the boats ready & doing other jobs mid & latter parts cloudy weather & variable winds saw one sail to day Lat 38.28 so ends this day

Oct 21<sup>st</sup>

Saturday First of these 24 hours cloudy weather & strong variable winds hands busily employed about decks & in the rigging ship steering by the wind but different to other days P.M. put a reef in the topsails mid & latter parts blowing a gale so ends this day No Obs

Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>

Sunday First of these 24 hours blowing a heavy gale from the Eastward ship laying to under close reefed main topsail & staysails mid & latter parts weather much the same so ends this day Lat 38.02 Long 65.51

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Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>

Monday First of these 24 hours blowing a fresh gale from the Eastward R.H. under close reefed topsails steering by the wind mid & latter parts weather much the same so ends this day Lat 37.00 Long 66.00

Oct 24<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday First of these 24 hours heavy weather & a fresh gale from the Eastward R.H. under close reefed topsails & courses steering by the wind heading S by E mid part thick foggy latter part blowing strong from N.W. R.H. steering S by E so ends this day Lat 35.54 Long 64.46

Oct 25<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday First of these 24 hours blowing fresh from N.W. R.H. steering S by E under close reefed topsails mid & latter parts weather more moderate made more sail so ends this day Lat 34.57 Long 61.46

Oct 26

Thursday First of these 24 hours fresh breeze from W.N.W. R.H. steering E.S.E. hands busily employed about decks saw Porpoises to day mid & latter parts fine weather saw one Porpoise to day so ends this day Lat 34.41 Long 60.34

Oct 27<sup>th</sup>

Friday First of these 24 hours fine weather & light winds from W.N.W. R.H. under all sail steering E.S.E. saw one sail to day mid & latter parts weather much the same so ends this day Lat 34.26 Long 59.01

Oct 28<sup>th</sup>

Saturday First of these 24 hours fine weather & a strong breeze from W.N.W. R.H. steering E.S.E. mid & latter parts wind from N.W. so ends this day Lat 33.44 Long 55.45