

Nov. 23. D. 1879

off this day went S.S. brig Steaming S.W. spoke the Basque Ocean Capt Servier & months out 400 lbs sperm oil. found to be a common sort on board, had just finished stowing down 400 lbs sperm oil

Lat. 1.36 N, Long. 26.32 W

Nov 29<sup>th</sup>  
Strong S.W. trade wind Steaming S.W. in company with Bark Ocean spoke & exchanged cold boats with the ocean

Lat. 1.33 S, Long. 33.01 W

Dec 1<sup>st</sup>

off this day fresh breezes from E. to S.W. Basque Ocean ahead of us, saw but lower her bows at 5 pm for whales at dark one whale came up handy to the brig got one boat down, but I can't do any thing, went on board the ocean she had seen whale two days before just out of sight of us and ahead of us

Lat. 2.3-27. S

Dec 10<sup>th</sup>

fresh breezes S.E. rather port strong breezes N.W. & S. saw ocean porling also saw black fish

Lat. 28.16 S, Long. 42.25 W

Dec 14. 1879

gales from S.W. brig heading S.W. under storm sails bent @ the fore stay sail

rather port moderate breezes with heavy swell. Exchanged signals with British bark Bessie Simpson

Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>

gales from N.W. and W. brig under storm sails heading to the port West bump, carefully attended to find the ship making some water in rugged weather ever since the Hurricane,

Dec 18. 7

still blowing a gale from N.W. W. storm sails set

Dec 19. 7

still blowing a gale from W. storm sails set

Dec 20. 7

still blowing from W. brig on dif. tack under storm sails

Dec 21. still it blows under storm sails set on weather

W. tack

Dec 22. 7

rather port moderate breezes from W. S.W. brig under all sail rather port fresh breezes took in all light sails

Dec 23. 7

moderate gales W. W. brig under snug sail on different tack