

On Board Bark Abraham Barker off Tristan Island

Friday February 8th 1867
 The first part of these 24 hours good weather but
 some thick & smoky & we have been steering off
 to the E. N. E. with a fair wind & at 7 P.M. we shortened
 sail & luffed to the wind & set the watches to
 Middle part good weather & we were under short sail
 Latter part pleasant & we made all sail & altered
 to the N. W. E. or N. E. we are now leaving this ground

Saturday Feb 9th
 The first part of these 24 hours pleasant & we had all
 sail set & steering off to the N. E. with a fair
 wind we are now bound off this ground & at 10
 Middle part good weather & we had all sail set &
 steering N. E. we are now bound off this ground &
 Latter part the same & we saw a lot of pinbacks &c

Sunday Feb 10th
 The first part of these 24 hours pleasant & we have all
 sail set & steering E. N. E. with a fair wind we are
 now bound off this ground & our men have been employed
 at ship duties such as washing & ship in store &c
 Middle part good weather & we had all sail set
 & steering E. N. E. with a fair wind & we were going
 about 10 to 12 knots &c
 Latter part the same only we altered little
 different we altered E. S. E. for the islands of
 Whitten &c

Monday Feb 11th
 The first part of these 24 hours good weather & we
 had all sail set & steering E. S. E. for Tristan
 island & we are going about 10 knots & we are expecting
 to see the Island tonight &c
 Middle part strong winds & came squally with rain &c
 Latter part the same & we were under short sail
 & we expect the island is not far off. the weather being
 so thick and foggy and raining we dare not run
 any nearer &c

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Tuesday February 12th 1867
 The first part of these 24 hours strong winds & raining
 & we were lying at Tristan fort before dark we
 sighted the island & we were under short sail
 Middle part good weather & we were lying aback the most
 of the time being not far from the land &c
 Latter part we made all sail & went into the Island
 of Tristan & the weather being good &c

Wednesday Feb 13th
 The first part of these 24 hours good weather & we were
 going off from Tristan Island getting water & potatoes
 &c. & D. P. M. we finished getting our water on board &c
 Middle part good weather with a strong wind part of the time
 Latter part pleasant with a very light breeze & 12 ships in
 sight both of them are merchant ships one of them signalled
 and 10 marks which our captain lowered a boat & went
 on board of him & shortly after he came back with company
 & stayed a short time & then he went back with them &
 stayed till dark & our men have been been employed at
 stowing down our water &c

Thursday Feb 14th
 The first part of these 24 hours pleasant & calm &
 the same 12 sails in sight & our men have been employed
 at stowing down our water &c captain off getting
 Middle part I braced up a strong breeze from the N.
 & we were heading about 45 bound to the meridian making
 Latter part the same & our men have been employed at
 ship duties &c

Friday Feb 15th
 The first part of these 24 hours strong winds part of the
 time we were heading to the E. & wind from the N. & we
 are bound to the meridian & from making &c
 Middle part good weather & we had all sail set &
 heading E. N. E. & wind about N by E. &c
 Latter part pleasant & we had all sail set and
 heading E. by N. & our men have been employed at
 ship duties &c