

Brig Charlotte From San

To Payta, In August 1852

Tuesday Aug 24th

Commences with moderate gales from the N.W. and thick rainy weather steering S.E. by S all hands employed in taking in sail bending and unbending about 1 P.M. split the fore topsail in several places and tore it across the head unbent it and sent it down and bent another shortly after lost the S. luff by its leaving the Reef & lost the mast of the fore sail by it being an old sail 3 P.M. unbent the remains doubled reefed the fore topsail and at 4 closed reefed the main at 5 being under closed reefed main topsail double reefed fore and try sail fore topmast stay sail middle part more moderate latter part moderate winds and hazy weather steering S.E. by S 11 A.M. made all sail and at 12 bent the fore sail and set it so ends with a great number of birds and fish in sight no obs this day
Lat by Act 13.38
Long 105.50 W

Monday Aug 30th

Part of this day strong winds from the South and clear pleasant weather steering by the wind with the main top gallant sail set & employed in various jobs 6 A.M. unbent the fore top gallant and bent another & made all sail heading S.E. by E saw Dolphins and a few birds such as many war hawks and Buleys no ends this day with clear pleasant weather in Lat 5.48 North
Long 98.08 W

Tuesday Aug 31st

Part of this day light winds from the S.W. and fine clear weather steering by the wind with all drawing sail set heading S.E. employed in various jobs such as repairing the fore top gallant sail bailing out the hold painting the Boat &c middle part heading S.E. with a light breeze from the S.W. latter part from the West steering S.E. with light remarkable this day in Lat 4.58 N
Long 97.32 West

Wednesday Sept 1st

Part of this day light winds from the West and fine pleasant weather steering S.E. with all sail set middle part from the S heading S.E. latter part fresh breeze heading from E to S.E. 7 A.M. discovered the fore top gallant mast to be sprung in the shive hole employed in various jobs nothing in sight Lat 3.55 South
Long 96.59 W

Thursday Sept 2nd

Part of this day thick breeze from the S and S.E. and cloudy weather with rain heading from E to S.E. with all sail set employed in some King ship middle and latter part much the same 4 P.M. closed the hatches with two fires below 10 A.M. took them off and found 45 rats without breaking out much we came to the conclusion they were all dead ends Lat by Act 3.35 S
Long 96.10 W