

1877 Remarks on board Bk Claire

Tuesday July 3rd

Came in with fine pleasant weather with a light breeze from S.W. Bk by the wind on Starboard tack at 11 P.M. Came in stage and stood on the opposite tack until 3 A.M. when we came on a gale and stood to the southward by the wind all sail out - at 8 A.M. sighted Bermuda Bearing about East dist 25 miles Saw a lot of Birds. Pieces of Sperm and one sail dead Lat 32.56 Long 66.03.

Wednesday July 4th

Came in with light breeze from S.W. Bk by the wind on Starboard tack the Island of Bermuda Bearing E. dist. 20 miles at 1.30 P.M. bore away for the Island at 7.30 have the ship two light house Bearing E. & S. at daylight Steered on for the landing and at 8.30 Capt M. went on shore with Bk off on Cape on shore Lewis Prairie Deserted

Thursday July 5th

Finest part fine weather and fine breeze from S.W. Bk off on at Bermuda Capt M. returned to the ship at 7 P.M. immediately Braced forward and steered E. S. E. under all sail Middle part Bk Bk East by N. Leeward part Bk Bk Bk and equally weather with heavy rain

Lat by obs 32.34 Long by Chron 62.36

Friday July 6th

During these 24 hours variable wind from the Westward and equally weather Bk steering S. by N. at 6 A.M. saw a point which I thought to be Cape Henry. Employed about ship clean water 160 Gallons water Lat 32.14 Long 60.54

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Saturday July 7th

During these 24 hours strong breeze from S.W. Bk under all sail steering S. by N. East - Watch employed about ship duty Lat 32.54 Long 59.53

Sunday July 8th

Finest part - strong breeze S.W. Bk steering East at sundown took on the light sails and single reefed foretop sail Middle & latter part strong breeze Bk steering S. by S. Lat 34.11 Long 54.30

Monday July 9th

During these 24 hours variable wind Calm and equally weather attended with rain Bk working to the Eastward Lat 34.00 Long 53.21

Tuesday July 10th

Finest part fine breeze but squally weather Bk by the wind on Starboard tack at sundown double reefed foretop sail fore sail Gibb & Spunkin and wore ship stood about S. E. Middle and latter part fine weather at sunrise made sail and at 8.30 altered S. W. with a fine breeze from South Lat 34.15 Long 53.31

Wednesday July 11th

Finest part fine weather and fine breeze from South Bk steering W. by N. Sent down the old fore sail and bent the old one new fore sails Middle & latter part very much the same at daylight wore ship and made all sail Watch employed Repairing fore sail Lat 34.22 Long 53.39

Thursday July 12th

During these 24 hours fine weather and moderate breeze from S. Bk on opposite tack and cruising saw drift wood porpoises and 1 sail Lat 34.29 Long 53.13