

Ship's Log of the *Staircase*

Saturday 27th April 1848 Walla

From part of these 24 hours fine weather and calm ship in sight Middle parts calm latter part light wind from N.E. Course S.E. & all sail set

Lat 37° 23' S Long by Chron 61° 01' E

Sunday 30th April

From part of these 24 hours fine and calm light wind from N.E. & E Course S.E. & Middle parts moderate fine Course S.E. & E Lat 37° 11' S Long by Chron 64° 40' E

Monday 1st May

From part of these 24 hours fine weather all sail set Course S.E. & E wind at Middle parts same latter parts wind hauled to the S.E. & thick weather with moderate breeze

Lat by Chron 37° 57' S Long by Chron 67° 36' E

Tuesday 2nd May

From part of these 24 hours thick weather moderate breeze from S.E. & E leading to the East all sail set Middle parts wind hauled to the North Course S.E. & E

Lat 37° 34' S Long by Chron 70° 27' E

Wednesday 3rd May

From part of these 24 hours strong wind from the N.W. all sail set Course S.E. & E ship's log took it in and ripped it up Middle parts strong wind took in top 3 sails latter parts a gale from the N.W. under Double Reef at 11 A.M. wind hauled to the West and rearing Course East

Lat by Chron 37° 18' S Long by Chron 75° 02' E

Thursday 4th May

From part of this day a gale from the N.W. under Reefed Top Sails Course S.E. & E Middle parts moderate latter parts all sail set steering S.E. & E for the Land at 11 A.M. made Amsterdam bearing S.E. & E 40 miles off Lat at Noon 37° 21' S at 4 P.M. it bore S.E. & E for Compass distant 18 miles got sites gave Long by Chron 77° 56' E found Chron 10th East by the Land on the Chart but 32 miles East by Magnetic latest Edition
amsterdam Long 77° 26' ship's log by the bearing of the Land 77° 18' 12th instead of 14th

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Friday 5th May 1848

From part of these 24 hours moderate breeze from S.W. all sail set at sundown Land from S.E. by W 1/2 N 15 miles Course S.E. & E Middle parts strong winds latter parts more moderate

Lat 37° 45' S Long by Chron 81° 38' E

From part of these 24 hours moderate breeze

from S.W. by W Course S.E. & E all sail set Middle and latter parts overcast

Lat 37° 49' S Long by Chron 84° 55' E

Sunday 7th May

From part of these 24 hours moderate breeze from S.E. Middle and latter parts no alteration 1 sail in sight

Lat 37° 53' S Long by Chron 88° 38' E

Monday 8th May

From part of these 24 hours moderate breeze from S.W. Course S.E. & E Middle and latter parts Course S.E. & E repairs in top sail and hauled it

Lat 38° 08' S Long by Chron 91° 22' E

Tuesday 9th May

From part of these 24 hours fine weather wind W. & N.W. Course S.E. & E Middle and latter parts fine weather

Lat 38° 30' S Long by Chron 94° 25' E

Wednesday 10th May

From part of these 24 hours fine weather wind W. & N.W. Course S.E. & E Middle parts same latter parts strong wind and rain

Lat 38° 59' S Long by Chron 98° 07' E

Thursday 11th May

From part of these 24 hours strong gale from N.W. Course S.E. & E Middle and latter parts fresh gale from the N.W. to N.W. & W

Lat 39° 10' S Long by Chron 101° 58' E

Friday 12th May

From part of these 24 hours fresh gale from N.W. Course S.E. & E at sundown Double Reefed Course S.E. & E Middle parts heavy squalls latter parts heavy gale Course S.E. & E

Lat 39° 34' S Long by Chron 105° 46' E