

Ship Courier from the Sandwich Isles on a Cruise to the South.

Tuesday Dec^r. 3th. 1839

Commences with a brisk gale from the E.N.E. and cloudy weather standing to the S.E. with 2 reefs in the Top Sail, middle part much the same about daylight the wind began to moderate turned one reef out of the Top Sail with the 5th Main Sail & M.T.S. latter part brisk trades from the Eastward steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard employed fitting Davits for a bow Boat so ends.

Lat by Obsⁿ. 16° 26' Long by Obsⁿ. 153° 30'

Wednesday Dec^r. 4th. 1839

Commences with brisk trades from the E.N.E. with cloudy weather steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard at 5 P.M. took in the M.T.S. middle part brisk gales with sun rain doubled reefs the Top Sail latter part brisk gales with thick rainy weather so ends. No Observation.

Thursday Dec^r. 5th. 1839 Commences

with brisk trades from the Eastward with cloudy weather double reef Top Sail Courses 5th & Spanker in middle part took in the 5th & Spanker at 7 A.M. at the 5th latter wind and weather much the same so ends Lat by Obsⁿ. 12° 25' Long by Obsⁿ. 153° 14' West.

Friday Dec^r. 6th. 1839 All these 24

hours brisk gales from the Eastward with cloudy weather sun showers of rain steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard one reef in the Top Sail so ends these 24 hours.

Lat by Obsⁿ. 11° 04' Long by Obsⁿ. 156° 41' West.

Saturday Dec^r. 7th. 1839 All

these 24 hours brisk trades from the Eastward & squally steering by the wind with one reef in the Top Sail variously employed so ends these 24 hours.

Lat by Obsⁿ. 9° 35' Long by Obsⁿ. 155° 34'

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Sunday Dec^r. 8th. 1839 Commences

with brisk trades from the E.N.E. and cloudy steering by the wind to the S.E. with one reef in the Top Sail M.T.S. Sail set over it middle & latter part more moderate but thick & raining so ends No Observation.

Monday Dec^r. 9th. 1839 Commences

with brisk trades from the E.N.E. with thick weather at 3 P.M. turned the reefs out of the Top Sail with the Top S.D. & M.T.S. at 3 P.M. the wind began to fall more to the South at 12 midnight tacked to the Eastward light air and Calms latter part thick & squally wind very on steady nearly at all points of the Compass. a great deal of rain. so ends. No Observation.

Tuesday Dec^r. 10th. 1839

Commences with moderate trades from the Eastward with cloudy weather steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard all sail set employed fitting & repairing Boat. middle part light air & calms with pleasant weather latter part much the same employed repairing the Fore T.G. Sail & painting a boat so ends.

Lat by Obsⁿ. 6° 44' Long by Obsⁿ. 154° 07' West.

Wednesday Dec^r. 11th. 1839 Commences

with a light air from the Eastward and cloudy middle part light breeze from the South thick and raining standing to the Eastward latter part light air from the S.E. standing to the S.W. employed breaking out and washing between decks so ends.

Lat by Obsⁿ. 6° 07' N Long by Obsⁿ. 152° 40' West.

Thursday Dec^r. 12th. 1839 Commences

with a light air from the S.E. with fair weather steering by the wind with the larboard tack aboard employed on ship's duty. middle part moderate trades with fair weather latter part brisk trades from the S.E. with fine pleasant weather quite a number of birds round. All hands employed repairing the Main sail so ends. Lat by Obsⁿ. 4° 45' North Long by Obsⁿ. 153° 40' West.

At 2 P.M. made the 5th & Spanker the 5th made the 5th 152° 44' 00' by Obsⁿ. 152° 43' 00' by Obsⁿ. 152° 42' 10'