

Ship Courier Whist Cruising about the Equator

Wednesday Decr 23rd 1840 Commences with a moderate trade with fine pleasant weather steering by the wind to the North at 5 P.M. wore ship at 6 took in the S.G. sail hauled up the main sail middle part moderate pleasant weather at daylight made sail at 8 A.M. spoke the Ship Daniel Webster of Nantucket with 1350 bls. kept off S.W. latter part steering S.W. and N.W. employed stowing down so ends

Lat by Obs. 1° 25' S Long by Calc. 179° East

Thursday Decr 24th 1840 Commences

with a moderate trade steering S.W. at 6 P.M. took in the S.G. sail and hauled to the wind to the North middle part moderate at daylight made all sail at 6 A.M. wore ship & steered S.W. latter part fine pleasant weather Cooper employed repairing tanks so ends. Lat by Obs. 00° 00' S Long 178° 15'

Friday Decr 25th 1840 Commences

with a moderate trade steering S.W. at 6 P.M. took in the S.G. sail and hauled up the main sail & hauled to the wind to the North middle part much as the first at daylight made all sail at 6 A.M. wore ship and made all sail latter part pleasant steering S.W. so ends

Lat by Obs. 00° 17' S Long by Calc. 178° 40' East

Saturday Decr 26th 1840

Commences with a moderate trade steering S.W. at 5 P.M. hauled to the wind to the S.E. at 6 shortened sail middle part moderate at daylight made all sail at 8 A.M. passed between Trions & Perote Isles in sight of both of them saw a Ship & Barge up under Trions Island latter part brisk trades with fine pleasant weather at 12 saw a Ship standing on the opposite track so ends

Lat by Obs. 1° 39' S Long by Calc. 176° 39' East

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Sunday Decr 27th 1840 Commences with a moderate breeze from the Eastward with fair weather steering by the wind with the larboard tack aboard all sail set at 8 P.M. tacked to the North at midnight tacked back to the South latter part moderate at half past 10 A.M. tacked to the North 2 Ships in sight so ends

Lat by Calc. 2° 32' S

Monday Decr 28th 1840 Commences

with a moderate trade at 2 P.M. spoke the Ship Howard with 2250 bls. & Daniel Webster with 1400 bls. both of them on track stood to the South in company with them stood to the S.E. & through the night at 8 A.M. spoke the Lidian Howland of New Bedford 24 months out with 2000 bls. latter part sun showers of rain stood to the S.E. so ends

Lat by Calc. 3° 00' S Long by Calc. 176° 30' East



Tuesday Decr 29th 1840 Commences

with a moderate breeze from the Eastward with fair weather steering by the wind to the North with all sail set at 6 P.M. tacked ship middle part moderate at 6 A.M. tacked to the North at 9 A.M. saw Whales at 10 loved the boats about 10 struck one Whale in main of them 24 hours all hands busy in playing in Whaling so ends

Lat by Calc. 3° 10' S Long by Calc. 176° 39' East



Wednesday Decr 30th 1840 Commences

with a very light trade boats off in pursuit of Whales at 4 P.M. took 3 Whales along side sent the boats off for the remainder about 5 took the other 2 along side took up the boats and took in sail middle part calm rose our galls & got ready for cutting half past 5 A.M. hooked on remainder of the day employed cutting a very light trade one Ship in sight so ends

Lat by Calc. 3° 23' South