

Ship Courier Whist Cruising in the North Pacific, 1844

Monday July 26th Commences with a moderate breeze from E. N. E. with cloudy weather sun showers of rain steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard one reef in the Top Sail at night tacked to the N. E. took in the main Sail 1/2 & 1/2 of the middle part much as the first part at daylight made all Sail half part 9 A.M. tacked to the South so ends with a very strong N. W. Current
Lat by Obs. 30.55 Long by Alt. 169.07

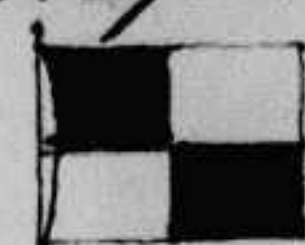
Tuesday July 27th Commences with a brisk breeze from the S. E. with cloudy weather steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard at 7 P.M. put two reefs in the Top Sails at 8 it began to thunder & lighten took every thing in but the main Top Sail & Fore Sail middle part thick & raining with a moderate breeze from S. E. to East at daylight made all Sail at 6 A.M. tacked to the N. E. latter part moderate breezes with showers of rain so ends Lat by Obs. 30.39 Long by Alt. 168.44

Wednesday July 28th Commences with a fresh wind from the Eastward with cloudy weather & sun rain steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard at 7 took in the Fore & Main & 1/2 of the middle part moderate at daylight made all Sail at 9 A.M. tacked to the N. N. W. latter part moderate breezes with cloudy weather 2 ships in sight so ends No Observation

Thursday July 29th Commences with a moderate breeze from the N. E. with pleasant weather at 4 P.M. tacked to the Eastward at 7 took in the Fore & Main & 1/2 of the middle part wind and weather much as the first part at daylight made all Sail at 9 A.M. tacked to the N. N. W. latter part brisk breezes 3 ships in sight so ends Lat by Obs. 29.59 Long by Alt. 169.30 East.

Friday July 30th Commences with a brisk wind from the N. E. with sun squalls at 4 P.M. tacked to the E. N. E. 5 ships in sight from the mast head at 7 P.M. put 2 reefs in the Top Sails middle part wind and weather much as the first part at daylight made all Sail at 8 A.M. tacked to the North latter part wind from E. N. E. 3 ships in sight so ends Lat 30.22 Long 169.56

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Exchanged signals with a ship supposed to be the H. M. S. Effen Hantock

Saturday July 31st Commences with a brisk wind from the E. N. E. with equally weather steering by the wind to the North at 5 P.M. put 2 reefs in the Top Sails took in the Main Sail at 6 spoke the St George 23 months out 1800 lbs. at half past 9 had a heavy squall split the & tore the huge Top Sail to pieces called all hands and took in all Sail but 1/2 of the main Top Sail middle part light hailing winds and raining latter part much the same about 11 the weather cleared up so ends ship not under storage way
Lat by Obs. 30.57 Long by Alt. 169.50 East.

Sunday Aug 1st Commences with a light air from the E. N. E. with cloudy weather steering to the South at 6 P.M. tacked to the N. E. at 6 P.M. took in the Fore Sail 1/2 & 1/2 of the middle part much as the first part at 5 A.M. with the Fore Sail 1/2 & 1/2 of the middle part at 6 moved ship to the South at 10 with the main Sail latter part brisk winds in clouds to moderate at 12 tacked to the N. E. so ends Lat by Obs. 29.00 Long by Alt. 169.20

Monday Aug 2nd Commences with a moderate breeze from the S. E. with fair weather steering by the wind with the starboard tacks aboard at 3 P.M. turned the reefs out of the Top Sails with the N. E. at 6 P.M. tacked to the South at 7 shortened Sail for the night at daylight made all Sail latter part moderate breezes with smoky weather saw 3 ships so ends Lat by Obs. 29.44 Long 168.58

Tuesday Aug 3rd Commences with a moderate breeze from the S. E. with overcast weather steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard at 6 P.M. spoke the Ship Lophog of New Bedford 25 months out 1400 lbs. at 7 shortened Sail middle part wind and weather much as the first part at 5 A.M. made Sail at 6 tacked to the Eastward latter part brisk winds with equally weather put 2 reefs in the Top Sails so ends No Observation