

Ship Courier Whilst Cruising near the Equator

Saturday Jan. 22nd 1842 Commenced with a moderate trade from the Eastward with fair weather at 5 P.M. tacked to the North middle part moderate saw blackfish & Porpoises one ship in sight to the weather so ends Lat by Obs. 2° 27' Long by Obs. 129° 39'

Sunday Jan. 23rd 1842 Commenced with a moderate breeze standing to the North at 5 P.M. spoke the Bark Cherokee of New Bedford 15 months out 450 bls. went on board and got my letters rem. ainder part of this 24 hours stood to the North the Cherokee in company about 11 A.M. saw a large breach a head half part 11 the Capt. of the onther ship came on board to talk ships standing for the whales so ends Lat by Obs. 1° 29' South.



Monday Jan. 24th 1842 Commenced with a moderate breeze at 1 P.M. were the whales spouting loved away the boats have the chances together the two ships the other ships boats very soon struck a whale and lost a line which the school off to the leeward for a spell then struck another whale & turned ship up about 5 took him along side one of our boats and 2 of the other ships boats chased on after the whale. Hooked on to the whale and cut him all in, all but one piece and the head let that lay along side for the other ship got through between 7 & 8 P.M. then could see nothing of the other ship or boats Capt Adams and his boats crew here Mr Daggett & his crew there about 8 A.M. spoke the ship Hoffman of Nantucket which reported the other ship off our lee bow by a whale at daylight took in the head and piece and kept of for the other ship about 9 A.M. got to her got our boat & crew and stood to the North latter part employed clearing away the head all sail set once ship in sight so ends Lat by Obs. 1° 16' South.



Tuesday Jan. 25th 1842 Commenced with a moderate trade with fair weather standing to the North with all sail set at 5 P.M. hauled up the main sail for tea. it commenced boiling at 6 tacked to the South at 8 A.M. backed back to the North at 9 A.M. took half of a line and sun boat boards in the boat and took them to the Cherokee half part & filled away & stood to the N.E. about 12 finished boiling set the main sail so ends

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Wednesday January 26th 1842 Commenced with a moderate trade standing to the North with all sail set at 9 P.M. tacked to the South middle & latter part light air saw fish back and Porpoises a Bark in sight so ends Lat by Obs. 1° 36' South.

Thursday Jan. 27th 1842 Commenced with a moderate breeze from the E.N.E. with fair weather steering by the wind to the S.E. with all sail set in p.m. stood in sun 6 P.M. down in the after hold at 5 P.M. tacked to the North middle part wind from N.E. to East with the weather at 7 A.M. tacked to the South two ships in sight at 9 A.M. tacked back latter part moderate trades with pleasant weather so ends Lat by Obs. 1° 12' S Long 131° 33' West.

Friday Jan. 28th 1842 All these 24 hours moderate trades the first half of these 24 hours stood to the N.W. & the latter part to the S.E. one ship & Bark in sight so ends Lat by Obs. 1° 11' S Long by Obs. 131° 54' West



Saturday Jan. 29th 1842 Commenced with a moderate trade from the East at 5 P.M. spoke the ship Frances Hengetta of N.B. 20 months out 1600 bls. from 1600 bls. black fish stood to the South in company at 11 parted with her and the Bark Cherokee at 12 midnight tacked to the North rem. ainder part of these 24 hours vary moderate so ends Lat by Obs. 1° 05' South

Sunday Jan. 30th 1842 All these 24 hours vary moderate trades first & middle part stood to the North latter part standing to the South saw blackfish so ends Lat by Obs. 10 South Long by Obs. 132° 51'

Monday Jan. 31st 1842 All these 24 hours vary light air standing to the South so ends Lat by Obs. 1° 19' Long by Obs. 133° 58'

It is 8 A.M. the ship between the 18th & 16th made good long 133° 43' by Obs. 134° 20'

Tuesday January February 1st 1842 Commenced with a moderate trade with thick smoky weather steering by the wind to the South middle part the same latter part standing to the North so ends Lat by Obs. 1° 56' South.