

Ship Courier from Tahiti Towards N. Bedford

Thursday March 31st 1842

All these 24 hours light baffling winds from S.E. to S.W. working to the Eastward to get round Tahiti variously employed so ends.

Friday March 31st 1842

All these 24 hours light airs & calms with pleasant weather in employed bending our new sails, Tahiti in sight so ends Lat by Obs. 16.57 South

Saturday March April 2nd 1842

All these 24 hours light airs and calms hardly steering way on the ship so ends leaving S by E. Lat by Obs. 18.46 East end of Tahiti

Sunday April 3rd 1842

First part of these 24 hours calm at 5 P.M. took a breeze from the S.W. & steered S.E. by E. steered so through the night latter part steered S.E. with the fore topmast standing sail fore & main S & standing sails masted Island in sight ahead saw a small schooner running down for Tahiti so ends Lat by Obs. 17.23

Monday April 4th 1842

Commenced with a moderate breeze from the North with pleasant weather steering S.E. by E. at 6 P.M. kept off S.E. by S. in middle part moderate at 6 A.M. Maitia bore N.E. by N. about 40 miles distant from which I take my departure about 9 P.M. a man by the name of Davis presented himself aft to me a deserter from the *Albatross* had been secreted away in the ship's fore peak & forecabin by my trust worthy crew. at 10 A.M. set the lower steering sail so ends in employed shortening our boughs direct around and setting them up ship makes about 1400 strokes in 24 hours. Lat by Obs. 18.49 Long by Obs. 147.27

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Tuesday April 5th Commenced with

a moderate breeze from the E.N.E. at 8 P.M. the wind hauled a little ahead hauled in the lower steering sail middle and latter part wind from the E.N.E. and pleasant steering S.E. by S. with all drawing sail set to the best advantage the watch employed on ship's duty so ends Lat by Obs. 20.56 Long 146.26

Wednesday April 6th All these

24 hours moderate breezes from the E.N.E. with pleasant weather steering S.E. by S. with all drawing sail set to the best advantage employed on ship's duty so ends Lat by Obs. 22.56 South Long by Obs. 145.36

Thursday April 7th All these

24 hours moderate breezes from E.N.E. with pleasant weather steering S.E. by S. with all drawing sail set to the best advantage so ends Lat by Obs. 24.57 Long 144.36

Friday April 8th All these

24 hours moderate breezes from the E.N.E. with pleasant weather steering S.E. by S. with all drawing sail set to the best advantage so ends Lat by Obs. 27.01 Long 143.26 West

Saturday April 9th Commenced

with a brisk breeze from the E.N.E. steering S.E. by S. on bent the fore top sail and bent another at 8 P.M. hauled up S.E. & took in the S & standing sails middle part mackerel weather at 11 A.M. saw whales close to the ship hauled in the topmast standing sail and lowered the boat as quick as possible struck 2 whales in about half an hour turned one of them up and parted from the other lost 2 stows about 15 fathoms of line took tow too the whale about 2 miles to the weather of the ship so ends No Observations.

