

Ship Courier from Tahiti towards New Bedford in 1842

Tuesday July 5th. Commences with a moderate breeze from the Eastward with fine pleasant weather steering N.W. at 3 P.M. set the lower Standing Sail middle and latter part the wind and weather much as the first part steering the same latter part employed cleaning the ship so ends. Lat by Obs. 22.29 Long by Calc. 59.43 West.

Wednesday July 6th. All these 24 hours moderate trades from the Eastward with fine pleasant weather steering N.W. with all drawing sail set at 7 A.M. a Brig passed down across our bow, read on her stern letters of Liverpool. The watch variously employed so ends. Lat by Obs. 25.25 Long by Calc. 61.30 West.

Thursday July 7th. All these 24 hours a moderate trade from the E.N.E. with fine pleasant weather latter part employed painting the ship inside & out so ends. Lat by Obs. 27.03 Long by Calc. 62.56

Friday July 8th. All these 24 hours pleasant breeze from E.N.E. to E. weather fine steering N.W. by N. with all sail set employed painting ship so ends. Lat by Obs. 28.53 Long by Calc. 64.33

Saturday July 9th. All these 24 hours a moderate breeze from the N.E. with fine pleasant weather steering N.W. by N. with all sail set latter part passed a Bark steering N.W. that showed American colours so ends. Lat by Obs. 30.38 Long by Calc. 65.49

Sunday July 10th. All these 24 hours a moderate breeze from the N.E. with fine showers of rain steering N.W. by N. with all sail set latter part employed painting the ship inside and out so ends. Lat by Obs. 32.12 Long by Calc. 67.00

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Monday July 11th. Commences with a moderate breeze from the S.W. with pleasant weather steering N.W. at 5 A.M. the wind shifted to South shifted the Standing Sails over on the Larboard side middle part sun showers of rain latter part pleasant the watch variously employed so ends. Lat by Obs. 33.40 Long by Calc. 67.51 West.

Tuesday July 12th. All these 24 hours a light air from S.W. with a heavy swell heaving from the S.W. steering N.W. so ends. Lat by Obs. 35.16 Long by Calc. 68.00

Wednesday July 13th. Commences with a light air from S.W. with pleasant weather steering N.W. saw a Bark standing to the Westward. middle part wind and weather much the same latter part a moderate breeze from S.W. so ends. Lat by Obs. 36.28 Long 70.00 Thursday July 14th. Commences

with a moderate breeze from the N.W. with fine pleasant weather steering N.W. middle and latter part much the same see a number of vessels so ends. Lat by Obs. 38.07 Long by Calc. 70.30 West.

Friday July 15th. Commences with a moderate breeze from the N.W. with fine pleasant weather steering N.W. middle part wind at South latter part wind from N.W. so ends. Lat by Obs. 39.26 Long by Calc. 71.00

Saturday July 16th. Commences with a light air from the South steering N.W. at 5 P.M. kept the ship N.W. by E. shifted the Standing Sails over at 5 P.M. sent a boat to a ~~small schooner~~ ^{small schooner} that was in sight it proved to be the Lord of Boston two days from Boston bound to Philadelphia, middle part a brisk wind from the E.N.E. at 6 A.M. sounded in 34 fathoms green sand at 8 tacked off shore spoke a Schooner but could not under stand what he saw about 10 tacked in shore at 11 made Montauk light bearing North saw a Pilot boat standing off for us at noon in got a Pilot out of her it proved to be the Superior of Newbury so ends