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Round For the South Atlantic

Thursday 24th

This twenty four hours commences with light & buff breeze from N to NW. Saw seven sail steering to the west we were steering on the wind to the Southern tack. At 7 P.M. raised blackfish lowered two boats but got none at 4 P.M. good breeze from the Southward steering by the wind with all sail heading N by E through the night had very light air & some parts of the time calm at day light had her under topsail & jib. Caught one porpoise & two sharks at night. At 11 had a breeze strike from N by N. Made sail steered South saw three sail to east & steered still off duty.

Lat 21° 04' N
Long 21° 04' W

Friday 26th

This twenty four hours commences with light & air & variable steering to the South saw three sail & blackfish & porpoise employed in ship duty through the night had very light & changeable winds. At day break three sail in sight working to leeward. Had some rain saw porpoises & fish & humpbacks. Steered still off duty.

Lat 28° South
Long 21° 00' W

Southward Bound. March Continued

Thursday 24th

This twenty four hours commences with fine steady winds from the South steered by the wind heading S by W & N by E. Saw jammers finished boiling at 4 P.M. & set the fore-sail through the night had light steady breeze from the South steering by the wind. This morning set up the fore outer jib & saw two sail to east with wind backing to the N & saw blackfish. Steered still off duty.

Lat 21° 28' South
Long 23° 00' West

Friday 5th

This day saw account bearing with light steady winds from S & steering by the wind on the S. This time took down the fore-sail steering the same. This day put the steward forward on account of his being sick could not trust him round when he was away. This evening at 7 P.M. went the fore sail & put on another steering by the wind with all sail spread to the wind heading S by E. Through the night had light steady winds saw two sail this morning employed in breaking out the hold on the port side under the Ketch took out the cask under Hatch & took out one head of each one & put in junk casks to make room in the hold also bent an old jib & put the other below steering by the wind heading S by E under all sail. So steady with very fine sky. Clouds light about dusk being a little.

Lat 52° 10' South
Long 23° 50' W