

Cruising off St. Helena

Thursday 12th of May. This Twenty Four hours commenced with very strong & squally breezes from South & West by the wind saw one sail. Did not see the land at Lewis thick. At two P.M. killed a pig. Hands employed in knotting rope yarn. At four down shortened sail by hauling down fly jib. Then were ship heading S by E. Through the night had strong breezes & frequent squalls of rain & rain. At daylight were ship & set the fly jib at 10 A.M. set the main sail. Heading from S by E. to South. Saw three sail which employed in knotting yarn for spinnage. So early did not see the land. bearing very the Lat 16° 10' South & Long 5° 12'.

Friday 13th. This Twenty Four hours commenced strong winds & squally weather saw two sail & some porpoises. Steering by the wind heading S by E. Watch employed in knotting yarn. At daylight set the fly jib. At 10 A.M. furled the main sail at 10 P.M. At half past ten were ship headed to the Eastward. At daylight were ship again. Set the fly jib. & started to the S by E with squalls & weather & strong winds. So early. Lat 16° 50' & Long 5° 30' 1/2.

Sat 14th. This day opens with strong winds & squally weather steering by the wind at the port tack saw one sail. At sundown furled the fly jib & were ship were ship heading East under two by sail. Through the night had strong steady winds heading to the Eastward. At daylight made some sail. At 8 A.M. kept her away N by E. At 9 P.M. fished ship. Slept N by E at 11 saw the land bearing N 1/2 E & one sail. Employed in breaking out

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Saturday 16th. This Twenty Four hours commenced with strong steady breeze from South East. Steering by the compass N by E at two P.M. luffed by the wind heading E & E by South. Through the night had some squalls of wind & rain. At daylight set the fly jib & were ship heading to the S by E. Saw five sail day close with cloudy breezes & cloudy weather. Land on our lee beam & our Lat 16° 10' South.

Sunday 17th. This Twenty Four hours commenced with strong breeze just were ship heading to the Eastward. At 2 P.M. set the main sail for the purpose of drying it. Several sail & some jammers, also caught one Albatross. Had him cooked for supper. At sundown furled the main sail & fly jib. Set the main by sail. Through the had a strong steady breeze from S by E. Steering by the wind on the Eastern tack. At daylight set the fly jib & were ship. Saw jammers & one sail. Watch employed in fowling. cinate. So early. Land bearing N by E. Lat 16° 15'.

Tuesday 18th. This Twenty Four hours commenced with strong steady breeze. Steering by the wind on the port tack saw three 1000 1/2 P.M. strong spoken by the star light. She reports the Ohio arrived there. had taken provision to this a empty Red whale. Watch employed in breaking up rope yarn for spinnage. At sundown were ship heading by the wind. On the starboard tack furled the fly jib. Through the night heading to the Eastward with light breeze & steady breeze of rain & wind. At daylight were ship. Saw the land & one sail. Land bearing the fore sail fore reef & at 12 M. were ship again. Set the fore top sail & furled the main sail which had been set since 10 A.M. So early. Lat 16° 29'.

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