

Bark Draco, of New Bedford Bound for Balby Strait of Alaska

Wednesday, August 18th 1851

Begins with light airs & variable steering S.W. Clear bearing S.W. 15 miles distant. Middle part light airs & calm. Latter part calm. Some in sight to the S.W. The watch employed in tarring rigging. Island of Lundy. Tarring rigging.

Lat. 10. 58. S.
Long. 121. 30. E

Thursday, August 19th 1851

Begins with light breezes from the S.W. heading S.W. Some in sight at 1. saw Rocky Island to the Westward. Middle part fresh breezes from the S. steering W. At daylight saw sandwood Island to the S. thick smoky weather. kept off. N.W. along the shore.

Landwood Island

Lat. 11. 30. S.
Long. 119. 30. E

Friday, August 20th 1851

Begins with fresh breezes from the S. steering W. Some in sight. smoky weather. Middle part steering S.W. by N. At daylight saw Sumatra to the S. Strong easterly current. Latter part steering along the land to the Westward. thick smoky weather. No obs.

Island of Sumatra

Strong easterly current

Saturday, August 21st 1851

Begins with light breezes from the S. & cloudy steering along the land to the Westward. Dist 15 miles. Middle part by S. Latter part steering for the straits at 5 P.M. came to anchor of Balby Town Island of Lundy. In 15 fathoms of water, one doted Bark at anchor, taking in rice.

Island of Lundy

Strait of Balby



Bark Draco. Bound to the Westward August 1851

Tuesday, August 17th 1851

Begins with moderate trades, at 1 P.M. took the anchor & put to sea at 4. the best point of Lundy bearing N.W. Dist 6 miles. Middle part steering S.W. by S. Latter part light breezes steering S.W. by W. The watch employed in steering Anchors & Chain & heaving up the deck.

Smoky weather

Lat. 9. 40. S.
Long. 115. 55. E

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2. Begins with light trades steering S.W. by N. Middle & latter part the same, calm.

Lat. 10. 22. S.
Long. 113. 58. E

Lat 6 fore top mast steering S.W.

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3. Begins with light breezes from S.W. steering S.W. by N. Lat 6 fore top mast steering S.W. Middle part the same. Latter part light breezes from the S.W. steering S.W. so much.

Smoky weather

Lat. 11. 22. S.
Long. 112. 25. E

Friday, August 20th 1851

4. Begins with light breezes from the S.W. steering S.W. by N. Middle & latter part S.W. so much.

Lat. 12. 55. S.
Long. 110. 58. E

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5. Begins with light breezes from S.W. steering S.W. by N. Middle & latter part fresh breezes with a. breeze, sea so much.

Lat. 13. 02. S.
Long. 108. 66. E

Smoky weather

Sunday, August 22nd 1851

6. Begins with fresh breezes from S.W. steering S.W. by N. North & head breeze, sea. Middle part the same. Latter part moderate so much.

Lat. 14. 20. S.
Long. 106. 30. E