

Remarks On Board The Ship Hongqua

Friday 15th Day of April 1826

P. M. Commenced with fine & steady Breeze from the S.W. & Clear & warm weather Oct 4-30 P. M. Made the Island Call'd Bajas De India bearing about N. E. At 4 we were about 8 miles Distance from the island by estimation wore Ship & stood off to the S.W. with our sails trim'd to the wind At 5 M. tooks aboard & P. M. sails set fore & aft at 6 Shortend sail the wind light During the night these 24 hours Ends with Calms & hazy weather saw one finback & a great number of Bodys around three gatches imployed in repairing the M. T. sail rather gale the Island that of Bajas De India to the West of my Jugment ^{is} about N. W. & S. E. about 5 miles in length & about three in width it is low & some woody & a beautiful white Sandheash that fronts the sea this island Can be seen from 8 to 10 miles of Deck in clear weather & has the appearance of several little island when first seen with some trees Longitude at 4 P. M. $40^{\circ} 21' 15''$

Saturday 16th

2. W. Commences With Calms & hazy weather
and sent the new M. S. sail stowed it below
& sent the old sail well repaired Strong wind &
some squally

On these 24 hours light winds & Calms
these matches imployed in repairing the M. T. Sail
& other work nothing remarkable seen in these
24 hours

Sunday 17th

S. M. Commences with strong winds from the South & heavy weather about the new M. G. Seal. Stormed it below & bent the old one ends with strong winds & passing clouds with hail & S. S. Set a fore & M. Duck aboard & bearing a good strain lat 23-04

Cruising In The Moasembake Channel

Monday 13th Day of April 1836

The first & middle part of these 24 hours strong winds from the South & passing Clouds under reef topsails. later part Moderate under all sail with our Larboard hook aboard Pleasant Weather & a bad sea on. Latitude Obs 23-07 Longitude at 3 P.M. by Chron 74

Tuesday 12th

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the first part of these 24 hours light Breezes from the South
& pleasant weather later part the Wind from the North & pleas-
ant weather steering S.W. with all Sail. At an hour the
Gill & repaired it So Ends these 24 hours on board the Ship
Thruqua all hands there'll except the Canaskee that I
have mentioned of often before & he is rather an the mending
hand since we left Madagascare fore weeks & fore Days
has passed away since we left that island & not a Spout
of a Sperm whale have we seen
Latitude Obs 25° S Longitude at 2 P.M. by Chro at 2 P.M. 39° 15' W

Wednesday 20th

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The first part of these 24 hours light winds from the
N. E. Clear & pleasant weather later part from the North
& fine weather steering about West sent down the
M. royal ~~gun~~ guntermast hauled the M. B. G. Mast
fitted the Cross trees Suraid the mast in end again sent
up a new pided royal mast & Croast the M. B. yard
So Ends these 24 hours on board the Louqua with all sail
Set Latitude Obs $25^{\circ} 22'$ Long By Chron $38^{\circ} 47'$ at 2 P.M.

Thursday 21th

The first part of these 24 hours light breezes from the North clear & warm weather Middle part Calm & hazy & some lightning all sail in best Double reef top sails at 3 P. M. took a squall from the S. E. closed up fore & mizen & sails at 6 P. heavy shower of rain & blowing heavy & a bad sea running at 7 Sat the forenoon later Ends more moderate & a ~~bad~~ cloudy weather heading to the S. W. employed in washing clothes such favourable opportunities should be improved in a shower fresh water is valued here long at 2 P. M. 37° 55' - 15"