

Remarks On Board The Ship Houqua 1837

Friday 24th Day of March 1837
first & middle part of these 24 hours light
breezes from the North & West later part
fine breezes from the N. E. & pleasant weather
all sail set & our ship splitting along through
the water towards America & finding the spirits
of every one to arise more have a favorable breeze
after 5 Days of head wind Latitude Obs 25°-00' North

Saturday 25

P. M. Commences with fresh breezes from
the W. S. W. & passing Clouds At 2 P. M. Saw
a Brig of our weather Bar & 8 Miles Distance by
Estimation Sat At signal of Distress & have the
main topsail to the mast & set sail away & run down
for us we spoke her & got 1 lb of Bread out of 4 lb of
Lard & 6 Codfish etc & considerable recruit for us
in the situation that we are in the Brig is called
the Dispatch of & for Grenada one of the West India
Island from Norfolk Virginia 11 Days out she
is An English Brig we got some late news from
America the most particularly is that Martin Van Buren
is President of the U. S. At 2 P. M. ends these 24 hours
with lively breezes from the N. E. & passing Clouds
this Day we remove the Cooper from Bellemoche's
forward in the storage he is a mere skilington
he can walk with a man to steady him I don't think
that he will stand it much longer. So ends this

Latitude By Obs 24-30
Longitude at 2 P. M. 29° 45'

Sunday 26

All these 24 hours light & baffling breezes from
the North & West & passing Clouds first & middle part
standing to the North & later part to the West
Latitude By Obs 25-15 North

Shiel Account

Departed from this life Sunday 26 Day of
March 1837 James Clement Adams aged 40 years or thereabouts
of the Bright Motator & Operative of the W. S. C. born in Petersburg
Virginia he has sailed out of the port of New Bedford 30 years or
thereabouts in that time he has performed 8 whaling voyages &
returning on the north 3 of them round Cape Horn on the Banks
& the South Atlantic & Indian Ocean on the Coast of Guinea
& this the last & now is gone to the here no more

1837 From St. Helena Towards New Bedford

Monday 27th Day of March 1837
first & middle part of these 24 hours light &
baffling breezes from N. W. to N. E. & some
light squalls of rain later part light breezes
from N. E. & pleasant weather steering
N. W. At 10 A. M. Saw a sail 2 points of our
sea bar close hall on the wind & starboard looks
aboard so ends these 24 hours Latitude Obs 25-20
at 6 A. M. set sliding sails

Tuesday 28th

first & middle part of these 24 hours light
breezes from the N. E. later part fine &
steady breezes from E. S. E. & pleasant
weather At 11 A. M. Saw 2 sail 1/4 points of
our sea bar & 4 1/4 points of our weather Bar
Course N. W. all sail set to the best advantage
Latitude By Obs 26-32

Wednesday 29th

P. M. Commences with fine breezes from from
East & pleasant weather middle part fresh breeze
from S. E. squally & light rain later part
strong breezes & heavy steady rains took in
the topgallensails & sliding sails & as much wind
as we want to carry Mr. S. G. sail to so ends these
24 hours No Observation these 24 hours