

Bark ~~Catana~~ Hope Outward Bound 1850

Sunday October the 6 all of this day light breezes from the East and south steering to the south and West employed painting the lab-board boat and the carpenter cut a hole in the deck over the stowage pantry ^{and put in a shi light} so he could see to mix up duff and had chickens for supper nothing in sight so ends this day

Latitude 34° 03' North
Longitude 28° 50' West

Monday October the 7 first part of this day light wind from the south and East steering by the wind to the southward and westward middle and latter parts wind light and from the southward and westward steering by the wind to the south East and squally bad weather with rain and a head boat sea on with made men at the head ^{mast} east up there accounts and in the day the man born the cooper employed making a big tub to set the minceing horse in and the rest of the men employed at other work about the ship with out boat sails for the lab-board and mast boat so ends this day good long run

Latitude 33° 36' North
Longitude 28° 12' West

Tuesday October the 8 all of this day had squally dirty weather with rain wind light at times and some times hard gales and then calm and then fresh again and then rain and sun shine ^{the wind} from the southward and westward steering by the wind to the south employed at ships duty bent the new harness cash and put a bannell of prime beef in to it the cooper still to work on the big minceing tub and the carpenter making a sheer pole for the main riggen killed a western island pig the first one we have had since we been out so ends this wondrous full Day I hope I shall have a good

Latitude 32° 37' North
Longitude 27° 20' West

Wednesday October the 9 first part of this day strong breezes from the west middle and latter parts moderate gale from the north west steering south by west at 1 P.M. took in the jib top gaff top sail and fore top gallan sail at 2 took in the main top gallan sail and at 4 P.M. put two reefs in the fore and main top sails and at 7 P.M. took in the jib and spraker and main sail blowing like thunder and squally with rain and sharp lightning and thunder at 10 P.M. took in the fore top sail and at half past 1 P.M. set it again still blowing strong employed at ships duty hewing out iron poles making scrub brooms and put the hogs down in the blubber room one boy fell down and hurt his top not but not dangerously he will recover so ends this day

Latitude 30° 22' North
Longitude 26° 22' West

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Thursday October the 10 all of this day strong gales from the north west steering south S West and squally with rain rugged and disagreeable weather and a heavy sea running and one tremendous squall in which the men lost their hats over board blew from their heads like a feather and I had to hold mi. hair on to keep it from blowing off and I lost a part of it after all employed working ship and every thing else needfull and hard work to stand up or to down but fall down about ten times in twenty minutes so ends this day blowing like top

Latitude 27° 56' North
Longitude 25° 54' West

Friday October the 11 first and middle parts of this day blowing a strong gale from the north west and tremendous squally with rain it would make the old hope tremble like a leaf all over latter part it moderated a little put sail on her and took it in again dand quick employed fitting blocks straps for the davit tackle and pulling over the main hatch and getting wet and then in a little and grin and bear it this day steering South S West so ends this day I hope the next will be better weather

Latitude 25° 19' North
Longitude 25° 33' West

Saturday October the 12 first and middle parts of this day strong gale from the north west steering to the South S West squally with rain and rugged latter part more pleasant wind light all sail set glad to see ~~the~~ pleasant weather again employed fitting a new main top gallan stay for the old one parted 8 weeks out pronounced good by the riggers fild the but so ends this day one sail in sight

Latitude 23° 00' North
Longitude 25° 23' West

Sunday October the 13 all of this day light wind from the North West steering South S West with fine pleasant weather employed at ships duty saw a fin back killed a hog and had a blubber cut on fresh pork nothing else so ends this day

Latitude 21° 22' North
Longitude 25° 26' West

Monday October the 14 all of this day fine pleasant weather wind light and from the North East steering South S West the trade winds employed at various duty about the ship putting up cheese and putting a little brandy on it and bending the top sails over run the starboard brails line over board and so ends this fine day

Latitude 20° 27' North
Longitude 25° 12' West