

Bark Hope in the indian Ocean 1851

Saturday March the 1 all of this day light breezes from the north west and north west heading north East and west south west with some light squalls of rain at 2 P.M. saw a shoal of sperm whales and chased the boats and chased them till the black skin all came off and then left them as white as a sheet and came on board and ended the day spicing long yarns so ends this Day Latitude $04^{\circ} 35'$ South Longitude $57^{\circ} 23'$ East

Sunday March the 2 all of this day light variable breezes from the northward and westward heading west south west and north East with pleasant weather and some light squalls of rain saw plenty of fish and sharks and birds and porpoises and had a roast pig for dinner so ends this Day Latitude $04^{\circ} 42'$ South Longitude $57^{\circ} 08'$ East

Monday March the 3 first part of this day calm heading to the north East middle and latter parts fine breezes from the north steering west north west the middle part latter part steering west by south at 6 P.M. saw the coral islands Praslin and Frigate islands and makee and some others on the the makee banks employed getting ready for going into port so ends this Day

Tuesday March the 4 all of this day light breezes from the north and fine weather at 6 P.M. let go the anchor of the island of st anne at 6 P.M. got under weigh and stood in to the harbour of makee and let go our anchor at 7 P.M. and the captain went on shore all hands employed getting water and cleaning ship so ends this Day all safe in the noble city of makee saw the bark Montazuma of newbedford 14 mounts out 500 lbs captain all in
Anchor

Wednesday March the 5 all of this day fine weather and all safe and the starboard watch on shore at the city of makee and the larboard employed stowing down water and painting the ship and some other light jobs so ends this Day
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Thursday March the 6 all of this day squally weather and light breezes employed painting ship the larboard watch on shore and so ends this Day in the famous city of makee
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Friday March the 7 all of this day squally weather with some rain and the starboard watch on shore and the larboard watch employed breaking out the fore hole and coopering bread and flour so ends this Day with plenty of rain
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Saturday March the 8 all of this day bad squally weather and plenty of rain the larboard watch on shore running about in the mud and water the starboard watch employed getting a small raft of water so ends this Day
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Sunday March the 9 all of this day fine pleasant weather and the starboard watch on shore taking comfort at 7 P.M. the montazuma got under weigh and went to sea more or less company from shore every day trying to take comfort on board to day and so ends this Day
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Monday March the 10 all of this day pleasant weather with some light squalls of rain and the larboard watch on shore and the starboard employed painting ship so ends this Day
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Tuesday March the 11 all of this day fine pleasant weather and the starboard watch on shore and the larboard watch employed stowing down water in the fore hole and painting ship the third time and several other jobs too numerous to mention some company of from shore to trade and get a good break fast for nothing so ends this Day all safe in the noble city of makee
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