

Bark Hope in the indian Ocean 1851

Friday August the 1 first part of this day strong breezes from the south & east middle and latter part strong gales from the south & east heading south west and lying to under a close reefed main top sail at 10 AM put the starboard boat on the upper oars and furled the fore sail and fore top sail at 12 close reefed the main top sail saw sulphur bottoms and had some hard squalls of wind and rain so this Day ends

Latitude 03° 23' south

No. Observation Longitude 00° 00' 00'

Saturday August the 2 all of this day a strong gale from the south & east heading east and south west with bad rough squally weather under a close reefed main top sail a part of the time and some of the time under hole top sails employed at every thing broke out for beef and water and started 2 hogs of butter and put some wood in the try pots at 4 PM spoke the lagrang at 9 AM the old sow brought forth 10 nice little pigs and the one all doing well saw 2 sails and fin backs and killed a hog so ends this Day

Latitude 03° 16' south

Longitude 55° 26' East

Sunday August the 3 first part of this day strong gales from the south with bad rough squally weather heading to the west south west under double reefed top sails middle and latter part strong breezes from the south and clear weather heading east south East under hole top sails at 4 PM spoke the bark mancella of nowbedford 14 mounts out 200 blbs of sperm oil and 75 blbs of whale captin mingslow saw sulphur bottoms and 3 sails so ends this Day put the starboard boat on the lone oars

Latitude 03° 10' south

Longitude 55° 13' East

captin mingslow reports hard hard luck all over the indian ocean he lost one man by the boat being upset

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Monday August the 4 all of this day strong breezes from the south heading east south east with rough squally weather and some rain employed braking out for a new cutting fall and some black fish oil to burn saw porpoisses so ends this Day

Latitude 03° 26' south

Longitude 55° 56' East

Tuesday August the 5 all of this day strong gales from the south heading east south east at 6 AM tacked ship and stood west south west with bad rough squally weather and some rain double reefed fore and main top sails was all we could stagger under saw two sails and no whales employed braking out for boards and the carpenter making a gangway rail and some other light jobs to numerous to mention to day so this Day ends

Latitude 03° 30' south

Longitude 56° 02' East

Wednesday August the 6 all of this day a strong gale from the south heading east south east and west south west under double reefed top sails with bad rough squally weather and rain saw one sail and two breaches which turned out to be ghosts from denis island employed at a little of every thing the carpenter to work on the gang way rail nothing more of consequence so ends this Day

Latitude 03° 38' south

Longitude 55° 42' East

Thursday August the 7 all of this day strong breezes from the south heading east south east and west south west with rough bad weather employed braking out for dried apples and pepper sauce and pipes the carpenter finished the gang way rail saw bird island so this day ends

Latitude 03° 43' south

Longitude 55° 15' East

Friday August the 8 all of this day strong breezes from the south heading west & west and east & east with rough weather employed braking out for water and repairing the slings and bands on the main yard and the carpenter fixing the head slide saw bird island and two sails at 5 PM spoke the bark lagrange and the captin came on board and had a gam so ends this Day

Latitude 03° 30' south

Longitude 55° 54' East

we kept the oil from leaking