

Bark Hope in the Indian Ocean 1852

Friday July the 16 all of this day strong breezes from the south S. west with rough weather heading East and south west employed cracking out between decks for shooks and butler and beef and stowing of agave saw 2 sails at 5 P.M. spoke the bark mill wood of new bed pond and had again the mate of the mill wood was fast to a whale the day before and lost his boat steered the whale killed him dead nothing more of any consequence so ends this Day Latitude $0^{\circ}42'26''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}31'51''$ East

Saturday July the 17 all of this day strong breezes from the south S. East heading East and north west with rough weather employed setting up pipe shooks to put sails in and several other jobs to numerous to mention saw fin backs and caught a porpoise so ends this Day 2 sails in sight Latitude $0^{\circ}42'29''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}41'02''$ East

Sunday July the 18 all of this day strong gales from the south S. East with bad rough squally weather and some rain heading East and south west saw 3 sails at 6 P.M. spoke the bark mill wood and bark Helen snow and had a short gam saw fin backs and killed 2 pigs 4 at July dinner on the 18 so ends this Day Latitude $0^{\circ}42'04''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}42'31''$ East

Monday July the 19 first part of this day bad squally weather with rain middle and latter part more moderate the wind south S. East all day heading East and south west employed at a little of every thing mended the Eric works broke out for beef and sawed up the old main top mast saw 2 sails at 10 P.M. spoke the brig governor Hopkins so that ends this Day Latitude $0^{\circ}42'16''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}42'00''$ East

Tuesday July the 20 all of this day strong breezes from the south S. East heading East and south west with rough weather at 12 P.M. saw the African island and caught a porpoise so ends this Day Latitude $0^{\circ}42'46''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}33'35''$ East

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Wednesday July the 21 all of this day strong breezes from the south heading East ~~at~~ at night and East north East in the day time employed fitting the file whip at 3 P.M. saw a dead whale and lowered a boat and went to him and found him rotten and let him go the African island in sight at 9 A.M. touched on makee banks in 12 fathoms of water saw one sail on the banks so ends this Day Latitude $0^{\circ}42'45''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}42'45''$ East

Thursday July the 22 all of this day fine breezes from the south S. East with some light squalls of rain the latter part steering East by north in the day time and hove a back at night heading East south East caught a porpoise saw breeches and at 5 P.M. spoke the brig governor Hopkins and were on board and had a gam with captain Taylor so ends this Day Latitude $0^{\circ}42'18''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}42'14''$ East

Friday July the 23 all of this day variable wind and light and some squally with rain heading East and south East at 12 P.M. tacked ship and steered north East employed making new futtock shrouds for the fore top gallant rigging and put a new slat in the starboard boat sail the carpenter making whelps to go on the windlass saw nothing so ends this Day Latitude $0^{\circ}31'42''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}42'37''$ East

Saturday July the 24 all of this day strong breezes from the south heading East south East and west south west with dul weather employed ratling the fore top gallant rigging saw one sail so ends this Day Latitude $0^{\circ}31'28''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}52'37''$ East

Sunday July the 25 all of this day strong breezes from the south heading East south East at 4 P.M. tacked ship to the westward with cold dul weather saw porpoises and killed a hog so ends this Day 4 sails in sight Latitude $0^{\circ}31'24''$ South Longitude $5^{\circ}6'07''$ East