

Bank Hope in the Indian Ocean 1852

Wednesday November the 3rd all of this day fine weather breezes from the south & East steering west north west in the day time and hove to at night heading East saw one sail standing to the Eastward employed mending the fore top mast stay sail and spinnaker finished mending the same and bunched sails and stowed them away the carpenter employed making a shaving box so ends this Day Latitude 07.59 south Longitude 42.05 East

Thursday November the 4th all of this day light breezes from the south East with fine weather steering north west and East north East employed at most every thing finished mending the sails and broke out for bread and painted the hoops on the fore water buckets and broke out for water and killed two chickens so ends this Day at 10 Latitude 08.01 south Longitude 42.18 East

Friday November the 5th all of this day fine weather and light breezes from the East heading south by East saw nothing but phantom the carpenter to work on the shaving box broke out loaf so ends this Day Latitude 08.35 south Longitude 42.47 East

Saturday November the 6th all of this day fine weather and light breezes from the East and East south East steering by the wind heading south & East and south saw one fin back employed breaking out for flour and cleaning and knotting rope yarns killed the last of the long faced gentry so this Day ends Latitude 02.45 south Longitude 43.06 East

Sunday November the 7th all of this day fine weather and light breezes from the south west and Eastward heading to the south west and westward painted the old ships plank yhears remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy so this Day ends west Latitude 04.00 south Longitude 42.49 East

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Monday November the 8th all of this day fine weather first and middle parts the wind from south west heading East by south latter part the wind from the East heading south & East employed mending spin yarn the carpenter to work on the shaving box killed two chickens saw nothing so ends this Day Latitude 04.08 south Longitude 44.02 East

Tuesday November the 9th all of this day strong breezes from the south East and some squally with rain heading East & East and north East by East saw nothing the carpenter to work on the shaving box commenced standing regular sea watches so ends this Day Latitude 03.43 south Longitude 44.15 East

Wednesday November the 10th all of this day calm and light breezes from the south East heading East north East employed at some jobs on the fore top mast rigging and mending the main top mast stay sail the carpenter to work on the shaving box saw nothing so ends this Day Latitude 03.33 south Longitude 45.15 East

Thursday November the 11th all of this day calm and light variable wind from the west to the East north East heading East by south employed breaking out for water and dropped the but and broke out the last of the black fish oil to burn saw plenty of porpoises broke out the last of the salted cucumbers the carpenter to work on the box so ends this Day Latitude 03.42 south Longitude 45.50 East

Friday November the 12th all of this day fine weather and calm and light breezes from every point of the compass heading to the north west and Eastward saw porpoises employed making a mat the carpenter and one more to work on the shaving box the steward breaking out the store room for coffee so ends this Day Latitude 03.32 south Longitude 46.45 East