

Bark Hope in the indian Ocean 1852

Saturday December the 18 all of this day fine breezes from the south south west heading west and south East finished mending the old boat and put new iron head and put a new mast coat on the main mast and pumps saw one sail so ends this Day Latitude 06° 24' south Longitude 54° 50' East

Sunday December the 19 all of this Day fine weather and light breezes from the west. S. west and south. S. west heading south at 11 A.M. took ship and stood to the west killed a pig and broke out for flour saw porpoises so ends this day Latitude 06° 50' south Longitude 55° 15' East

Monday December the 20 all of this day strong breezes from the west with hail squally weather with rain and lightning and a rough sea heading south. S. west employed breaking out for water and beer and pork and rigging and put new prevention back stays on to the fore and main top gallant masts this is the begining of sorrow we are bound home glory to god so ends this Day Latitude 08° 30' south Longitude 53° 53' East

Tuesday December the 21 all of this day strong breezes from the north west with hail rough weather and some squally with rain heading south west and with west by west employed at a little of every thing saw a porpoise man o war standing to the north East so ends this Day Latitude 08° 51' south Longitude 53° 15' East

Wednesday December the 22 all of this day strong gales from the north west steering west south west and south west by west with hail rough squally weather with rain and lightning put a prevention back stay on to the fore top mast and broke out for beer and molasses and the last bag of butter so ends this Day head and tail up Latitude 09° 54' south



Longitude 51° 47' East

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Thursday December the 23 all of this day strong gales from the north west and north S. west heading west S. west at 7 P.M. took ship and stood to the north East with hail squally weather with rain and thunder and lightning saw nothing killed a pig so ends this Day Latitude 10° 24' south Longitude 51° 18' East

Friday December the 24 first part of this day variable wind heading to the south. S. west with bad rough squally weather with rain middle and latter part strong gales from the north steering west by south and west employed bending a new main top sail and a new main top gallant sail and several other sails to numerous to mention so ends this Day all hands bottom up Latitude 11° 06' south Longitude 49° 40' East

Saturday December the 25 all of this day strong breezes from the north with fine weather steering west and south west by west employed fitting the main top gallant rigging and setting up the fore top mast prevention back stay broke out for water and net hole saw porpoises so ends this day Latitude 11° 50' south Longitude 48° 08' East

Sunday December the 26 first and middle parts of this day fine weather latter part a terrible storm of wind rain and thunder and lightning with some awful squalls of wind and rain the wind from the north steering south west and south west by west bent the new fore sail and fore top sail saw nothing so ends this Day Latitude and Longitude 0000

No Observation 000000

Monday December the 27 all of this day a strong gale of wind with tremendous squalls of rain wind thunder and lightning the wind variable from the west north west to the north East steering south west and west south west at 7 P.M. took in all sail and hove to heading south west and blowing and raining tremendous and so ends this Day Latitude 11° 30' south Longitude 47° 15' East