

Bark Hope in the Indian Ocean 1852

Tuesday December the 28 all of this day all sorts of weather strong gales and calm and terrible squalls of wind and rain thunder and lightning the wind variable from the west north west to north heading south west at 7 P.M. took ship to the north at 11 P.M. took ship back to the westward at 5 P.M. took ship to the north at 1 P.M. took ship to the westward and blowing like thunder some of the time all sail set and some of the time all sail in and the bark half of the day here been much so ends this day Latitude and Longitude

Wednesday December the 29 first and middle parts of this day had stormy squally weather with rain wind and lightning and a heavy sea latter part clear weather and the sun shining the wind variable all day from the west to the north heading to the westward at 4 P.M. took ship to the north at 7 P.M. took ship to the westward at 1 P.M. took ship to the north at 6 P.M. took ship back to the westward employed making and taking in sail the latter part of the day employed doing our jobs saw nothing so ends this day Latitude and Longitude

Thursday December the 30 all of this day had rough squally weather with rain the wind variable from the west to the north at 2 P.M. took ship to the north at 11 P.M. took ship to the west at 10 P.M. took ship back to the north employed bracing out the fore pole and stowed it back again so ends this day Latitude and Longitude

Friday December the 31 all of this day light breezes from the north with fine weather steering East north East bound to no battle for medical assistants for the captain for he is very sick broke out for bread and water Latitude and Longitude

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Saturday January the 1 all of this day fine weather and light breezes and calm steering to the north East the wind variable from the north to the south East saw nothing the captain no battle so ends the first day of this year Latitude and Longitude

Sunday January the 2 all of this day light wind from the north west to the south west with plenty of lightning and thunder and no rain steering East north East saw nothing so ends this day Latitude and Longitude

Monday January the 3 all of this day calm and light breezes from every point of the compass going round and round with the wind had several squalls of rain and lightning and some distant thunder saw nothing the captain a little better hard times so ends this day Latitude and Longitude

Tuesday January the 4 all of this day calm and light breezes from the north with some squalls of rain and lightning heading to the Eastward the captain no battle so ends this day Latitude and Longitude

Wednesday January the 5 all of this day calm and light variable wind from the north & west to the south heading to the Eastward fine weather all day employed at some light jobs about the ship saw one sail a Johan na Don steering East south East so ends this day Latitude and Longitude

Thursday January the 6 all of this day fine weather and light breezes from every point of the compass steering East by north at 6 P.M. took ship to the north saw one sail killed a hog the captain no battle saw plenty of lightning over the land in the night so ends this day Latitude and Longitude