

Bark Hope in the Atlantic Ocean
Bound Home 1853

Wednesday April the 13 first part of this day light breezes from the East south East middle and latter parts the wind from the south East steering north west half north employed at every thing best the new fit and unbleat the old one and bent it for a main stay sail and shifted the main top mast standing sail forward for a fore top mast standing sail and set up the main top mast back stays and fore and main top gallant back stays and painted the head of the fore and main masts and five rails and fore and main top masts bitts and fresh water buckets all painted green saw a brig steering to the westward saw some gulf weed so ends this Day Latitude 19.49 North Longitude 52.43 West

Thursday April the 14 all of this day all sorts of weather first part fine weather middle and latter parts had squally weather with thunder and lightning and wind and rain the wind variable from the south East to the north west steering north west half north at times when the wind was fair saw a bark steering to the westward broke out for beef and pork and water so this Day ends Latitude 21.12 North Longitude 53.43 West

Friday April the 15 all of this day strong variable wind from the west south west to the west north west with rough weather and one squall of rain steering to the northward and westward employed shifting over fore and main back stays and mended the lower standing sail saw one hump back and plenty of gulf weed so ends this Day Latitude 22.26 North Longitude 54.25 West

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Saturday April the 16 first part of this day strong breezes from the west north west heading north middle and latter parts light breezes from the north west heading north by East with a rough sea and some squalls of rain wet the hole and bent the main, spencer and broke out for flour and filled a bag saw gulf weed so ends this Day Latitude 23.55 North Longitude 54.00 West

Sunday April the 17 all of this day light breezes from the north by west and north west heading north by East and north East by East at 11 P.M. tacked ship and stood west by south had some light showers of rain saw gulf weed so ends this Day Latitude 24.09 North Longitude 54.53 West

Monday April the 18 all of this day light breezes from the north and north west heading west south west and west north west had some squalls of wind in the middle part employed painting the larboard side of the ship out side saw nothing so ends this Day Latitude 24.05 North Longitude 56.03 West

Tuesday April the 19 all of this day calm and light breezes from the East north East steering north west employed painting the aft side of the ship fore and aft and painted H O P E on the fresh water buckets and painted the rail and water ways and painted H O P E on the head boards saw scattering gulf weed so ends this Day Latitude 24.10 North Longitude 56.35 West