

Remarks On Board Ship Leonidas

Tuesday 22 of January 1839

Commences with strong gails & hard squalls from N.W. heading to the North under E reef M. T. sail & reef foresail at 6 under N. By I squared in kept of N.W. Middle more moderate Sat 7 4 sail trund out reef foresail later moderate all sail set wind N.W. & overcast watch employed in scraping bone Condensed M. Stairsail & cut it up A good number of birds still accompany us
Latitude 41° 13' 3"

Wednesday 23

Commences with fresh breezes from N.W. & cloudy middle & later fresh gails & mostly cloudy under E reefs & reef courses watch employed in ships duty
Latitude 40° 03'

Thursday 24

Commences with fresh gails from N.W. & fair middle & later light breezes & cloudy all sail set to best advantage ends with light rain watch employed in sundry gals of ships duty saw nothing
No observation

Friday 25

All these 24 hours light baffling breezes from N.W. to N.W. & Calms cloudy first part rain course North later saw spinbaskets watch employed in scraping ship & making other preparations for washing
No observation

Saturday 26

Commences with calm at 4 P.M. A light breeze spring up from East squared the yards & steered N.W. cloudy middle lively breezes & light rain all sail set going at the rate 6 miles per hour later strong breezes from N.W. & thick fog barboard watch employed in washing ship
No observation

Sunday 27

Commences with fresh breezes from N.W. & thick fog S. watch employed in washing ship at 4 Decks clean & clear rigging spars plaste & last night now she look quite tidy in side at 5 Double reef at 6 took in gills C. reef at 7 M. T. sails at 10 under G reef M. T. foresail blowing hard & heavy rain ends with light breeze under Double reefs
Latitude 39° 5'

From Desolation Towards Cape Good Hope

Monday 28

P.M. Commences with strong breezes from S.W. with rain under Double reefs & courses steering N.W. A bad head sea ship leaking about 300 strokes per hour middle lively breezes weather fine ends with small breezes clear & pleasant thermometer stands on 64° the finest weather that we have had this six weeks past watch employed in ships duty on bent & condemned P.T. sail & bent another shifted rigging end for end
Latitude 37° 13'

Tuesday 29

Commences with calm at 3 small breeze from N.W. All sail set & brimed by the wind to the best advantage middle strong breezes from N.W. passing cloudy later some squally under Double & single reefs at 10 wind killed to west so ends watch employed in ships duty making bone yarn &c
Latitude 35° 45'

Wednesday 30

First part fresh breezes from N.W. cloudy under single reefs middle lively from S.W. to S.W. overcast all sail set later light breezes & fine course N.W. watch employed in sundry gals of ships duty saw nothing 2 mast heads made
Latitude 34° 25'

Thursday 31

All these 24 hours light breezes from N.W. to S.W. weather mostly overcast watch employed in ships duty sent up 3 M. T. G. yards & bent the sails course N.W. & S.W.
Latitude 33° 29'

Friday 1 of February

All these 24 hours small breezes from S.W. to N.W. & fine weather sent out 3 gill, boom & bent & set the sail all sail set to the best advantage 3 P.T. G. sails set & nothing higher watch employed in ships duty
Latitude 32° 58'

Saturday 2

All these 24 hours small breezes from N.W. fine weather all sail set to the best advantage employed in sundry gals about the rigging at 11 30 P.M. saw whales beach to leeward kept of for them Lat 31°
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