

Ship Leonidas Cruising of West

Saturday June 27th 1840

All these 24 hours fine breezes from SE to SSE & fair. Carried all sail & stood hale watches. Steered to SSW by the wind bound to latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ Long 107 $^{\circ}$ to 109 if wind or whales does not stop us & men sick

Latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ 33
Long at 2 P.M. 109 $^{\circ}$ 20

Sunday 28

All these 24 hours light winds from SE & SSE weather fine. Carried all sail to S & W saw nothing but finbacks

Latitude 26 $^{\circ}$ 51
Long at 2 P.M. 108 $^{\circ}$ 32

Monday 29

First & middle parts of these 24 hours light breezes from SE & fair later from ESE & fine. Steered South under all sail

Latitude 27 $^{\circ}$ 34
Long at 3 P.M. 108 $^{\circ}$ 27

Tuesday 30

First part strong breezes from North Middle strong gales from the westward & hard squalls attended with rain & lightning all sail in but Stairsails & Spencer's later strong gales from SW & some squally

Latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ 29

Wednesday July 1

First & middle parts of these 24 hours strong gales from SW to South at 8 P.M. were ship to West later moderate & some squally wind SSE sea rough

Latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ 31

Thursday 2

First part light breeze from SE & rough sea middle calm later strong from North stood to west at 10 Double reefed saw a great number of finbacks

Latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ 41
Long at 2 P.M. 107 $^{\circ}$ 37

Coast of N. Holland N. A. Stuart

Friday July 3

First & middle parts of these 24 hours strong gales from NW & hard squalls later light from SW & fine. Steered North

Latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ 31
Long at 11 A.M. 107 $^{\circ}$ 54

Saturday July 4th 1840

First & middle parts of these 24 hours small breezes from S & W & fine weather. Steered North later small breezes from SE & fine. Steered ESE watch employed in setting up rigging

Latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ 19
107 $^{\circ}$ 54

Sunday 5

First & middle parts of these 24 hours light East winds & fine later strong from ESE & high swell from SSW stood to ESE but saw nothing in the shape of a sperm whale this is trying to the mind of man

Latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ 30

Monday 6

All these 24 hours lively breezes from North & heavy weather stood to ESE saw nothing

Latitude 28 $^{\circ}$ 21

Tuesday 7

First part lively & unsettled breezes from North heavy & squally weather at 4 P.M. tacked ship to West later moderate breeze & were ship to ESE middle part strong gales from ESE & hard rain at 10 took in the sail at 3 P.M. took in main S. sail at 6:30 were to the West & turned up all the boats wind North hard gales & heavy rain the remainder of these 24 hours sent down all 3 royal masts & 7 f. yards which leaves our ship at good deal heaving to under 3 mizen masts Stairsail & Spencer's

Barometer at 12 merid 30 inch No observation at 12 middle 29.5 at 12 merid later 29.2