

28 days from N.Y. Latitude 2.53 ⁰ Longitude 36-38
North - 202 West - 212

Saturday January 3rd 1863 -

This day commences with light wind - and at times squally - Breeze S.E. - Sky cloudy - with every appearance of rain - 8 Am. Had breakfast and went on deck - George commenced work putting up a shelf for the Mate. I am at work finishing a wash board. 11 Am. Weather looks squally. Camm and Mary on the floor - under a sail - Charles fast asleep - 12 M. Commenced hoisting - hauled up all of the light sails - and hauled up the Main sail - Not much wind - some rain - we are catching water to use on the passage - 2 P.M. As it is raining - this P.M. we are all in the Cabin - Capt. writing - Camm and Ben asleep - on the berth Mary - dolls - on Cabin - pillow - Mrs. Morry - & Mrs. Newman asleep ready to commence depredation to night - Last night we all went to bed - excepting the 3 - and had no sooner laid down than they were up feeding - as we could distinctly hear Mrs. Newman's voice - Camm got up and looked over the door and she could see the Captain with his shoes off - and nothing on but his pants and shirt - along with Mrs. M & N. in the corner of the room near the bed - He soon got up - and put the Lamp on the further end of the Table and shaded it so as to keep the light from reflecting on them - Soon they had something to eat - and so kept up their entertainment until late - They told Emma - that they intended to have a good time whether we were interrupted or no - I think after this I shall have my turn -!! - One of the Foremost Hands informed me that Mrs. Newman had called to him when he was at the wheel to keep the Ship to the wind - and not run her off - Charles has just awoken - and is cross - We are now near the Equator or 120 miles from it - and the heat when calm is oppressive. Sun rises at 5 o'clock and forth we go south the longer the day is - 10 P.M. Camm and George Mary & myself have been on deck - did not wish to sleep before - for various reasons

So ends this day

29 days from N.Y. Latitude 1-32 Longitude 36-04
North - South -

Sunday January 4th 1863 -

This day commences with squally weather - heading S by E soon about 7 o'clock during the night it had calmed quite hard at times - Have witnessed of rain squalls and all the Casks full - Had a good wash - while talking with George the Steward came up - and informed us that Breakfast was ready - The Capt. called him in the Cabin - and gave him quite a lecture - In fact the Capt. was angry - because the Steward was talking with us - He told the Steward that the very person who he talked the most with - was the one that complained the most to him - Soon we were called to breakfast - during which time Camm had a few words with the Captain - &c - we are now at Pointe all around - which produces very uncomfortable feelings - The Capt. has scarcely spoken to me during the voyage - But thinking the reasons for his so doing I can but say little - 1 P.M. George has been washing - After he got through I commenced and have just got through - It is now blowing hard in squalls - all the light sails on - &c heading S.E. - 3 P.M. Sail ho - put me right on our Lee bow - and all hands are busy with cargo down as to who the Stranger is - and its probable destination - She has passed us - about 2 miles to leeward - and is Bark reg^d showing no colors - 4 P.M. The vessel has passed astern and is now out of sight - in the haze - We are now near the line - wanting about 90 miles to go this morning - Our Longitude is nearly up so as to clear Cape St. Roquis - should we fall in with the S.E. trade winds - It has rained almost incessantly all day - which keeps somewhat confined to our Staterooms - This evening have spent reading by Lamp light - and as it nears 10 o'clock will retire -

This has been one of the darkest days of our passage - but as the old saying is it is the darkest just before day - we have every thing for the light of the coming day - to discover every one that has had anything to do with this Sunday with - remember the circumstances without my noting them - &c -

- The End -