

Margaret Cruising in the Indian Ocean

Friday October 7th 1836

This 24 hours commences with strong gales from NW... At 4 pm weather became very fair... At 8 in the morning left away & Paul Perrell spruce called them finebacks hands employed in mending and binding sails... Ends this 24 hours Lat 37° 53' S Long 65° 42' E

Saturday October 8th 1836

Commences with fine breezes from the W coast... Employed in mending the Gils... At 4 pm best him at 8 at 4 pm for true headed... At the Pat Daylight saw a ship at 7 am... At the 10th Capt Perry of the ship... At 1 whale (Cap) went on board... At the latter part fine weather... Ends this 24 hours Latitude 38° 53' S Longitude 67° 57' E

Sunday October 9th 1836

Commences with fine weather gentle breeze from the W... Employed in mending the fore tops... At 4 pm bore ship and headed to the N... All the middle and latter part fine weather... All the latter part steered to the NW... Ends Lat 37° 28' S

Monday October 10th 1836

Commenced with strong gales from North coast NW... At 4 pm wind continued strong... Saw a sail to the W of us... Taking a whale along side by cutting... At 8 pm took in sail... Heavy gale with rain... Ends Lat 37° 05' S

Tuesday October 11th 1836

Commenced with strong gales from NW... Under glass, headed to the W at 2 pm... Wind shifted to NW... All the middle and latter part fine weather... Saw a number of whales... Ends Lat 37° 58' S Longitude 63° 50' E

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Wednesday October 12th 1836

Commences with tolerable fine weather... Saw whales board and struck... At 4 pm weather became bad with strong wind... At dusk at 7 pm took in sail and lay... At 8 headed to the NW... Middle part wind headed to the W... At 9 pm saw a heavy gale... At 10 saw waste boat and the main topsail... Ends this 24 hours Lat 37° 53' S

Thursday October 13th 1836

Commences with strong gales from NW... Headed to the NW... Only main topsail... The middle and latter parts... Kind of weather... Ends Lat 37° 27' S Long 67° 58' E

Friday October 14th 1836

Commences with strong gales with rain... Hail from the W... At 2 pm saw a ship to the W... At the 8th coming under double reef... Middle part moderate latter... Intervals squalls of hail & rain... At 10 saw a number of spruce... Ends Lat 37° 22' S Long 69° 20' E

Saturday October 15th 1836

Commences with gentle breezes from the NW... At 2 pm saw a right whale... Ship called him at dusk... Equally and raim lost the run of... All the middle and latter part fine weather... At strong wind saw a number of... Back hand employed in mending fore tops... Ends Lat 38° 22' S

Sunday Oct 16th 1836
Lost work

Commence strong wind from NW... At 4 pm saw a number employed in mending sails... At 8 pm saw whale board... At 9 pm got him along side hooked in parties... Hook lashing gave it up for the night... At 8 pm wind and sea increased... At 10 pm saw a number more... Ends Lat 38° 15' S