

Margaret Cruising in the Indian Ocean

Saturday
December
17th
1836

Commenced with fine weather light winds from N.W. steered along to the W in company with the Stehman's gunning at 4 pm left the Master Algonquian and hoisted it in at 7 pm. Shortened sail and lay by on the Star tack. All the middle parts fine weather latter parts strong gales from N. of ship of sperm whales had struck iron hooks whales went off the Aqueduct man steering to the East S.E. the Stehman's still in sight - So ends Lat 38° 22' S.

Sunday
December the
18th
1836

Commenced with strong gales from N.W. lay along to the W under Double reefed topsails. Wind ruff at 4 pm. Commenced raining and squally. Middle part fine weather at 8 pm. Made all sail at N. by Double reefed sails. Finback and 2 seals So ends Lat 38° 51' S.

Monday
December the
19th
1836

Commenced with a strong Gale from N.W. At 1 pm took in topsails and lay to. At 4 pm took in the foresail took up the lee boat all the middle and latter parts. The same kind of weather So ends Lat 39° 00' S.

Tuesday
December the
20th
1836

Commenced with a strong Gale from W lay to upon the Star tack heeled to the Star all the middle and latter the same. So ends Latitude 39° 50' S Longitude 67° 35' E.

Wednesday
December the
21st
1836

Commenced with strong gales from N.W. lay to headed to N.W. by under the reef. At 6 pm a light forward under Double reefed topsails got boulders and backed to topsail. After this lowered the foresail down up 22 oars down spoke the foremast of new sea. Capt. taken 7 1/2 months out with 900 lbs all the middle and latter parts the same kind of weather So ends Lat 40° 00' S.

Thursday
December
22nd
1836

Commenced with strong gales from W at 2 pm wind hauled to W by the 4 pm. Shortened sail and lay by on the Star tack. The same kind of weather. So ends Lat 40° 27' S.

Margaret Cruising in the Indian Ocean

Friday
December the
23rd
1836

Commenced with gentle breezes from N. Steered S.E. in company with the London Packet. Capt. journey 6 months out 1400 lbs at 4 pm. Paul & co. passed at 7 pm. Capt. journey boat on board. All the middle part latter parts fine weather 3 seals in sight So ends Latitude 39° 22' S Longitude 67° 58' S.

Saturday
December the 24th
1836

Commenced with strong gales from N. Steered S.W. at 1 pm spoke the Columbia Smith's remembrance steering to the S.W. saw Finbacks in Golore all the middle and latter parts strong gales with rain. So ends Lat 39° 40' S.

Sunday
December 25th
1836

Commenced with strong gales from N. lay to heeled the old door at 4 pm put the cork in iron &c. All the middle and latter parts light winds. Saw 2 ships So ends Latitude 39° 49' S Longitude 68° 18' E.

Monday
December 26th
1836

Commenced with light winds from N.W. Steered to the south upon the Star tack. Sail still in sight to windward at 11 pm. Shortened sail and lay to the other side. Keel. Sail on 1/2 all the middle and latter parts fine weather. Sails 100 lbs So ends Lat 40° 24' Latitude 40° 00' S.

Tuesday
December 27th
1836

Commenced with fine weather fine breezes from N.E. came with hands embarked in Malabar, Spungarn, saw Finbacks &c. Weather very open middle and latter fine weather So ends Lat 40° 05' S Longitude 68° 00' E.

Wednesday
December 28th
1836

Commenced with fine weather spoke the Eagle of Rochester taken came board at 4 pm spoke the Neptune new London. Capt. came on board. All the middle and latter lay to in a gale So ends this 24th Latitude 40° 10' S Longitude 68° 00' E.