

Margaret Bound off Port Douglas

Sunday
January
22nd
1837

Commenced with strong gales from S.E. Bore 8.25.10 running under whole topsails & main topgallant hands employed in mending the rig. At 4 pm finished. All the middle and latter part strong wind with rain to end Lat 28.30 S

Monday
January the
23rd
1837

Commenced with strong wind from S.E. with rain squally weather Bore 8.10.10 all sail set except fore & main topgallant sails all the middle and latter parts moderate hands employed in ship duty to end Lat 28.27 S Longitude 52.05 E

Tuesday the
24th
January
1837

Commenced with moderate weather gentle breezes from the N.E. Bore 8.10.10 hands employed in ship duty at 4 pm got in the fore waste & shot out another 8 c. all the middle and latter fine breezes to end this 24th Lat 28.28 S

Wednesday
25th
January
1837

Commenced with fine weather and gentle breezes from N.E. Bore 8.10.10 hands employed in ship duty 8 c. middle parts fine weather latter part fine & sharp of him whale board & got 2 to end Lat 27.50 S Longitude 48.50 E

Thursday
26th
January
1837

Commenced with fine weather At 2 pm took the whale along side got dinner and began to cut it. Dusk finished. All the middle part employed in clean the heads At 2 pm finished 8 c. Commenced boiling to end stood to the fall night Lat 28.00 S

Friday 27th
January
1837

Commenced with fine weather gentle breeze from N.E. & clear S.W. weather very warm continued boiling & mended. At 9 pm tacked to the S. at 2 pm tacked to the S.W. weather continued fine to end Lat 24.40 S Longitude 48.52 E

Margaret Bound to the Cape

Saturday
28th
January
1837

Commenced with gentle breezes and fine weather Bore 8.10.10 continued boiling. Weather very warm uncomfortable. At 10 pm finished with squally all the middle and latter part strong gales from the land at 6 pm S.E. extremity of head of the boat about 15 leagues finish at boiling. 8 c. Star W. S.W. till midnight and then W by N. to end Lat 25.50 S Longitude 48.20

Sunday 29th
January
1837

Commenced with strong gales from the S. Bore 8.10.10 At 9 pm finished the oil 8 c. Bore 8 c. all the middle and latter strong gales and fair to end this 29th Lat 25.58 S Longitude 48.58 E

Monday
30th
1837

Commenced with strong breezes from S.E. Bore 8.10.10 weather extremely warm At 1 pm one of our sick men & boat stow & black had a fit brought him upon deck for air all the middle part fine weather At 8 Am commenced straining down aft saw the land on the Star Cape at morning distance about 15 leagues to end Lat 27.30 S Longitude 48.10 E

Tuesday
31st
January
1837

Commenced with fine weather Bore 8.10.10 At 4 pm finished by straining cleared up the decks wind continued light 8 c. middle part squally with rain thunder lightning don't reach the tops latter part all sail again continued squally to end Lat 28.17 S Longitude

Wednesday
1st
February
1837

Commenced with strong winds from N.E. with rain squally weather employed at intervals with ship duty 8 c. all the middle and latter part strong squally & wind and rain At 2 pm wind shifted to the S. made sail and took in sail latter part took in the Mizzen top sail under cut reef & took in the S. sail