

Ship Margaret Johns & Co. Sailing in the Indian Ocean

Friday
Oct 12th
1808
Commenced with fine weather and
gentle breezes from N to S by E came
to a hands employed in mending
the foresail and main topsail at
night took in fore & main sails and lay
to headed to S by E - latter part lay off
to S by E at 11 A.M. spoke the p.m. bark
New London Cap Master 12 minutes out 201.44
joined with him to ends Lat 20° 25' S Long 68° 20'

Saturday
Oct 13th
1808
Commenced with fine weather and gentle
breezes from N to W by S 8 hours employed
in mending sails at 6 P.M. spoke the Libera
New Bedford Cap Gray 4 minutes out 201.44
saw 7 whales and the chase all the after-
noon and could not catch them at night
took in topsails and lay to headed to the N
to ends Lat 21° 31' S Long 69° 26' E

Sunday
Oct 14th
1808
Commenced with fine weather and
gentle breezes from the N.W. by S
from N to S by E hands employed
in mending topsails and other
ships duty &c at night double reef
and stood to N by S latter part strong
breezes saw many fish to ends Lat
22° 04' S Long 69° 44' E

Monday
Oct 15th
1808
Commenced with clear weather and strong
winds from N.W. by S to the N.E. at
1 P.M. double reef the fore topsail in 201.44
timbered kumto the N all night under
short sail latter made all sail thick
weather with clear to ends Lat 21° 28' S
Long 69° 28' E

Tuesday
Oct 16th
1808
Commenced with fine weather and gentle breezes
from N to S at 1 P.M. saw a shoal of fish
whales going by out to the N.E. and back to
the N.E. saw some board at 2 P.M. but
the old fore topsail middle and latter
parts fine weather to ends this day
Lat 21° 04' S Long 69° 19' E

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Wednesday
Oct 17th
1808
Commenced with good weather and the breeze
from S.W. at about midnight taking
cleared the deck got ready for boiling
At 3 A.M. commenced with 6 fired shot
to the S by E at 4 A.M. saw a right whale going
quick to windward logd chased to no success
to ends Lat 21° 25' S Long 62° 10' E

Thursday
Oct 18th
1808
Commenced with fine weather and strong
breezes from S.W. at 1 P.M. fired and
steared to S by E saw several fish back
lasted boiling at 4 P.M. saw a right
whale 1 Point, 2 horns and the latter began
2 miles. At 6 P.M. nothing more of him steared to
W by N the middle part with strong gales from
N.W. by S at 8 P.M. took in the topsail fore
and main all the latter part thick rain & with
at 4 P.M. 2 P.M. saw a band and chased but being
latter part of the day got lost of him chance to end
at one of them from the waste boat came on
board saw a sail to the N.E. end Lat 21° 00' S
Long 67° 42' E

Friday
Oct 19th
1808
Commenced with strong wind from N.W. at
10 to headed to the N.W. at 2 P.M. fired
shooting and cleared up at 4 P.M. saw
whales many buff and whales did not
fit one came on board at 4 P.M. and then
at 4 P.M. came on board and left a plank
of whales in sight at 8 took in topsails
and lay to headed to N by E all the fore
part latter part gales from the N.W. at
4 P.M. lay to headed to S by E at 8 P.M.
Latitude at noon 24° 22' S Long 62° 38' E

Saturday
Oct 20th
1808
Commenced with strong gales from N.W. at
10 to headed to the N.W. the weather being
in squalls from at 1 P.M. took in topsails
and fore & main at 6 P.M. fired
shot and steared to N.W. at day light broke
up the main holly for bread and small stores at 8
broke out the main holly and got ready to
steer N.W. all the latter part fine weather and
employed in mending to ends this day
Latitude 25° 00' S Long 62° 15' E