

Remarks on board the Bark Mission of

Sunday Dec 9th 1853

these 24 hours begins with light breeze from S.W. heading S.S.E. with fine weather at day light made all sail at seven A.M. kept the ship off E.S.E. at one P.M. steered East at six P.M. saw a brig to the leeward bearing to the Southward at sunset took in the top gallant sails jibs and spanker and hoisted up the courses luffed by the wind heading S.E. so ends this day Lat by Obs 63° 58' S Long by Chron 11 28, 6

Monday Dec 10th

these 24 hours begins with moderate breezes from the S.W. with fine weather ship heading S by East wore ship heading to the Northward and Westward at day light wore ship and made all sail heading to the Southward at one P.M. wind from S.S.W. at two P.M. tacked ship heading West watch employed in tacking head rigging at sunset took in all sail but the top sail middle and latter part fine weather so ends this day Lat by Obs 6, 061 Long by Chron 10, 22

Tuesday Dec 11th

these 24 hours begins with light breezes from S.S.W. at day light made all sail saw a bark off the weather quarter at P.M. tacked ship heading S.E. at sunset took in all sail but the top sail at day Lat by Obs 6, 061 Long by Chron 10, 22

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Wednesday Dec 12th 1853

these 24 hours begins with light breezes from the S.W. with fine weather ship heading by the wind E.S.E. at day light made all sail saw a bark off the weather bow at seven A.M. spoke her proved to be the Tropic Bird with one hundred bbls of watch employed in tacking the main and mizen rigging at sunset took in sail heading South middle and latter part fine breezes from W.S.W. so ends this day Lat by Obs 621 S Long by Chron 1025 E

Thursday Dec 13th

these 24 hours begins with moderate breezes from S.W. with pleasant weather ship heading S.E. wore ship heading West N.W. at day light made sail at seven A.M. saw large breeches of the weather bow about three points distant about eight miles at nine A.M. tacked ship heading to the windward for them but did not see any more of it supposed them to be Whales at eleven and a half A.M. tacked again wind from W.S.W. ship heading South at one P.M. tacked ship and took in sail. Wind also and latter part wind from the S.W. ship heading S.E. so ends this day Lat by Obs 6, 30 S Long by Chron 10, 41 E