

Ship Montpelier Bound Towards the Indian Ocean

October the 21st 1839

Begins fresh breezes from E steering S with all sail set studding sails below and aloft at 8 PM wind hauls E & took in fly gill and lower studding sail and started by 9 PM at 4 AM made all sail again at 11 made the Island of St. Antonio bearing S by W distance 15 miles concludes light winds and thick smoky weather

October the 22nd

Begins light air and smoky weather steering S by W at 4 made the Vincent first part of the evening run through the passage between St. Antonio and St. Vincent with a strong breeze from E at 8 heaved to the breeze S by W middle on latter the same steering thus ends nothing in sight

October the 23rd

Begins with a fine breeze from E steering S by W calculating to stop at Brava for refreshments but in consequence of a strong current setting to the S by W and thick weather we did not see the Is. Salvor middle part calm concludes light winds nothing in sight

October the 24th

Begins light air and smoky steering S by W one gill in sight middle part light rain from S concludes the wind from S by E heaving to the S by W nothing in sight

October the 25th

Begins light wind from S by E standing to the S by W at 5 saw a sail standing to the S middle part wind from E sent the studding sails out at 9 AM saw a schooner showing American Colours standing to the S ends light winds and squally

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October the 26th

Begins light variable winds steering south middle part a fine breeze from E steered S by W at 6 AM saw a Barque showing French Colours steering to the north at 10 saw a school of Blackfish between the Boat and Chaise without success Ends pleasant nothing in sight

October the 27th

Begins pleasant weather and light winds from E steering S by W all hands employed in ship duty middle part squally with thunder and lightning and some rain at 6 AM saw a barque showing English Colours steering S ends the same S by W

October the 28th

Begins light wind and squally at 4 PM had a heavy squally from E took in the light sails and blew down the topsails middle part plenty of rain and thunder and lightning concludes calm & sail in sight Lat by Observation 7.54

October the 29th

Begins light winds and calms with some rain at 6 took a light breeze from S by W took a ship to the S by W middle part calm at 8 AM took a light breeze from S by W ends the same heaving S by W & sail in sight Lat 7.29

October the 30th

Begins light winds and calms and some rain middle part a sail calm concludes with a light breeze and pleasant weather & sail in sight Lat by Obs 8.51

October the 31st

Begins light air and pleasant weather ship heaving S by E middle part much the same concludes with a fine breeze from E steering S by E one sail in sight Lat 8.51