

Ship Montpelier on the Coast of New Holland 1840

Thursday December the 17th

Commences with a strong breeze at W and fine weather, headed to the N. at 2 P.M. saw 2 Boats standing to the Eastward, Middle part the same. Latter part squally weather headed to the N. so ends. Lat 35.06

Friday December the 18th

Commences with strong winds and squally weather Middle part the same, latter part a moderate breeze at S and fine weather steered N. saw nothing, so ends. Lat 37.00 Long 112.05 E

Saturday December the 19th

Commences with light winds at S and fine weather, Middle and latter part the same, steered N. saw nothing, employed in ship's duty, so ends. Lat 38.59 Long 112.10 E

Sunday December the 20th

Commences with fine pleasant weather and light winds at S E, steered N E, Middle and latter part much the same, saw nothing, so ends. Lat 34.47 Long 112.46 E

Monday December the 21st

Commences with a strong breeze at S E and fine weather, Middle and latter part much the same headed to the N E, saw nothing, so ends. Lat 34.31 Long 112.58 E

Tuesday December the 22nd

Commences with a fine breeze and pleasant weather, Middle part the same. Latter part a strong breeze at S W, headed S E at 10 A.M. saw the land the S W Cape of New Holland, bearing Br compass N E by E Dist 12 leagues. No ship heard. W. S. W. saw nothing, so ends. Lat 34.30 Long 113.37 by Chron

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Wednesday December the 23rd

Commences with pleasant breezes at S W and fine weather, at 1 P.M. saw a Ship standing to the S E. Middle part much the same. Latter part strong winds and squally weather standing on different tacks, saw one Ship, so ends. Lat 34.26 Long 114.10 E

Thursday December the 24th

Commences with strong winds and squally weather Middle and latter part more moderate, standing on different tacks saw nothing, employed in ship's duty, so ends. Lat 34.21

Friday December the 25th

All these 24 hours fine pleasant weather at 3 P.M. saw the land, at sunset saw one Ship headed off shore at 4 A.M. more Ship headed in shore, so ends. Lat 34.00

Saturday December the 26th

Commences with fine weather and pleasant breeze at S, steering in for the land, at 4 P.M. saw the Gables at sunset lapped by the wind standing on different tacks thru the night, at daylight steered in for the land at 11 A.M. anchored in Geography bay on the West Coast of New Holland at 1/2 past 11 the Hydrographic Survey Boat took 400 fathoms, saw night Whales.

Sunday December the 27th

All these 24 hours fine pleasant weather, saw Whales on shore, so ends

Monday December the 28th

All these 24 hours fine pleasant weather employed painting Ship, one whale on shore, so ends