

Ship Montpelier in the Indian Ocean 1842

Tuesday May the 14<sup>th</sup>

Commences with a calm and fine pleasant weather saw Black-skims several times, could not tell what it was, Middle part amoderate breeze at S & S.W. & S heads to the N. & S. Sharp light rain all this night in to the S.W. At 72 past 3 A.M. Hore Ship headed S.E. at daylight had a heavy squall at S.W. and a heavy Tempest with rain which lasted about two hours, ends with light winds at S.E. and fine pleasant weather heading N.W. all sail set. employed in Ships duty thus ends

Lat by Obs. 27.12 S. Long by Chron 36.22 E

Wednesday May the 15<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light airs and calms, Middle and latter part light breezes at W. and fine pleasant weather, steered S.W. & E. First part employed in Ships duty, latter part employed repairing the Fore Toprail, saw Nothing thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.11 S. Long by Chron 36.25 E

Thursday May the 16<sup>th</sup>

Commences with brisk breeze at W. and fine pleasant weather. Steering S. saw Nothing employed in repairing the Fore Toprail, latter part strong winds and squally, at midnight left by the wind headed S.W. under short sail, latter part a gale at S.W. and squally, Long by headed S.E. thus ends

Lat by Obs. 25.57 S. Long by Chron 37.44 E

Friday May the 17<sup>th</sup>

Commences with a gale at S.E. and overcast weather lay by under short sail headed to the S. Middle and latter part much the same, standing on different tacks under short sail, saw Nothing employed in Ships duty thus ends

Lat by Obs. 25.53 S. Long by Chron 37.48 E

Saturday May the 18<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong winds and squally weather, Ship heading N.W. by W. under short sail, Middle part the same, latter part the winds at S. headed W.S.W. and Nothing employed in Ships duty thus ends

Lat by Obs. 25.43 S. Long by Chron 38.24 W

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Sunday May the 19<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong winds at S. and squally weather heading W.S.W. saw a Shoal of Black fish, and one Finback, Middle and latter part more moderate and thick overcast weather, saw Nothing thus ends

No Obs this day

Monday May the 20<sup>th</sup>

Commences with moderate winds at S.E. and overcast weather heading S.W. Middle the same, latter part light winds at N.E. and squally standing on different tacks, saw one Finback, employed in Ships duty thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.52 S. Long by Chron 36.12 E

Tuesday May the 21<sup>st</sup>

Commences with light airs and calms, at 3 P.M. saw a Shoal of Blackfishes lowered the Boats and struck ones and parted and lost the fish, at sunset shortened sails, middle part light winds and variable, Ship working to the N.E. at daylight made sail, latter part light winds at S.E. and overcast weather, saw one Finback, employed in Ships duty thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.46 S. Long by Chron 36.08 E

Wednesday May the 22<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with light variable winds, at 4 P.M. saw a Shoal of Blackfish lowered and chased with out success, middle part a moderate breeze at S. latter part a strong breeze at S.E. and squally weather headed S.E. saw one Finback, employed in Ships duty thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.45 S. Long by Chron 37.15 E

Thursday May the 23<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with strong winds at S.E. and squally weather heading to the E. saw two Finback employed in repairing the Fore sail, Middle part much the same, latter part light winds and fine pleasant weather, saw Nothing but Porpoises, employed repairing the Fore sail, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.20 S