

Ship Montpelier Cruising in the Mozambique Channel 1842

Sunday June the 5th

Commences with a brisk breeze at N. and fine pleasant weather clearing S.W. employed Braking out Boat to keel, and stowing it down, Middle part light winds and variable, steered S.W. by W. Latter part a strong gale at S.E. and equally, heading S.W. by W. under short sail, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 24.34. S Long by Chron 39.11 E

Monday June the 6th

Commences with strong winds at S.E. and equally with a heavy sea Middle part light winds and variable with sharp brightening Latter part strong winds at N. and equally steered S.W. by W. saw two Pinbacks, employed in Ships duty, and making the barboard Boat &c. thus ends

Lat by Obs. 25.20. S Long by Chron 38.04 E

Tuesday June the 7th

Commences with a brisk breeze at N. and equally, steering S.W. by W. At sunset heavy squalls with rain put two reefs in the Topsails At midnight took in the Fore Topsail and Foresail and luff the Ship by the wind, headed W. the wind N.W. at daylight more moderate made all pendant sail saw Whales, none Ship headed from the Whales, they proved to be Humpbacks, ends with strong winds at W. heading N.W. employed in Ships duty &c.

Lat by Obs. 26.29 S Long by Chron 37.23 E

Wednesday June the 8th

Commences with a brisk breeze at W. and equally heading N.W. saw several Humpbacks, at sunset none Ship headed S.W. Middle part the same Latter part strong wind at N. and fine weather headed W. employed in Ships duty thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.41 S Long by Chron 36.33 E

Thursday June the 9th

Boats &c

First part employed in Ships duty, Latter employed making out Boat to Commences with strong winds at N.W. and clear weather Middle and Latter parts light airs and calms and fine weather working to the N.W. saw Humpbacks, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 27.07 S Long by Obs. 35.05

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Friday June the 10th

First and Middle parts light airs and calms and fine pleasant weather Ship working to the N.W. saw several Humpbacks, At 1/2 past 3 lower and chased with out success, Latter part a brisk breeze at N. and fine weather headed W.N.W. saw Blackfish lower and chased with out success, employed in stowing down Boat and Ships duty, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.37 S Long by Chron 35.02 E

Saturday June the 11th

Commences with a brisk breeze at N. and fine pleasant weather heading W.N.W. At 4 P.M. saw Blackfish lower and chased with out success, Middle part light airs and calms, At daylight thick and rainy Ship working to the N.W. Latter part a moderate breeze at S. and pleasant weather, employed in Ships duty, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.43 S Long by Chron 34.20 E

Sunday June the 12th

Commences with a brisk breeze at S.E. and fine weather at 1/2 past 4 P.M. saw Blackfish lower and chased with out success, at 11 P.M. head a heavy tempest with rain and wind, took in all sail, and luffed the Ship by the wind heading S.E. Latter part a gale at S.E. and thick rainy weather, at 11 A.M. more Ship headed W. thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.14 S Long by Chron 33.32 E

Monday June the 13th

Commences with a gale at S.W. and thick weather heading W. under a foresail and two reef Main Topsails Middle and Latter part much the same, standing on different tacks, employed in Ships duty thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.04 S Long by Chron 34.00 E

Tuesday June the 14th

Commences with a strong gale at S. and equally weather, heading E.S.E. under a chase reef Main Topsail and foresails Middle part more moderate At midnight more Ship and Made all pendant sail heading W.S.W. Latter part a brisk breeze at S. and fine weather At 1/2 past 7 saw the Land, bearing per Compass N.W. Dist 25 Miles, employed in Ships duty, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 26.14 S Long by Chron 33.17 E