

Ship Balacra Cruising August 1857

Sunday August the 9th

Commences and ends with strong Breezes and rain Weather the Ship going by the Wind to the Westward. Nothing doing and Nothing in sight. Saw Antau has returned to duty the other is the same. Wind S. Current S. S. S. Lat. 1. 50 S. Long 83.50 W

Monday August the 10th

Commences and ends with strong Breezes and thick cold Weather the Ship going by the Wind to the Eastward. Nothing doing and Nothing in sight. no one sick now Wind S. Current westerly. no Obsrv.

Tuesday August the 11th

Comes in with strong Breezes and thick cold Weather latter part better. The Ship working off to the Northward. Employed reefing same new braces. latter part saw. a Sail steering E. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S. Current westerly. Lat. 1.02 S Long 84.25 W

Wednesday August the 12th

Comes in and ends with moderate Breezes and thick mist Weather. the Ship going by the Wind to the Eastward. Nothing doing. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S. Current N. E. No Obsrv.

Thursday August the 13th

Commences and ends with strong Breezes and good Weather the Ship going by the Wind to the Westward. Employed shapping Blocks. Nothing in sight except the Java. Wind and current as usual. Lat. 00.33 S Long 84.33 W

Friday August the 14th

Commences and ends with strong Breezes and equally thick with drizzling rain the Ship working to the Northward. Nothing doing and Nothing in sight. Wind S. Current. No Obsrv.

Saturday August the 15th

Moderate Breezes with equally Weather the Ship going by the Wind westward. Employed generally. Nothing of importance in sight. Current S. S. S. Lat. 00.00 S Long 86.55 W

Sunday August the 16th

Winds moderate. Weather fair. the Ship going by the Wind Eastward. Nothing doing. Nothing in sight. Current S. S. S. Lat. 00.14 S Long 86.00 W

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Monday August the 17th

Comes in with moderate Breezes and good Weather and ends the same. the Ship going by the Wind Eastward. Employed overhauling and fitting Riggings. Nothing in sight. Wind S. Current S. S. S. Lat. 1.00 S. Long 85.00 W.

Tuesday August the 18th

Wind moderate. Weather fine. the Ship going E. N. E. Employed overhauling and fitting Riggings. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S. S. S. Current S. S. S. Lat. 00.52 S. Long 83.40 W

Wednesday August the 19th

Commences and ends with moderate Breezes and good Weather employed fitting new futtack shrouds. Nothing of importance in sight. the Ship going by the Wind Eastward. Wind S. Current S. S. S. Lat. 1.13 S. Long 83.11 W

Thursday August the 20th

Comes in with moderate Breezes and cloudy Weather. the Ship going by the Wind Eastward. Nothing doing. saw two Sails the latter part. Wind S. Current S. S. S. Lat. 1.45 S. Long 81.01 W.

Friday August the 21st

Wind moderate. Weather fine. the Ship going by the Wind Eastward. at 6 p.m. spoke Bark Atlantic parted company at 11 p.m. Employed as usual. Nothing of importance in sight. Wind S. S. S. Current. no Obsrv. ...

This day Capt. Jernan was informed that Joseph Harris and Isaac Ballo committed Suicides and act both of them were taken to keep them separate.

Saturday August the 22nd

Winds light. Weather good the Ship going by the Wind Eastward. saw two Sails latter part saw the Platte bearing E. by E. Dist 25 M. Nothing doing. Lat. 1.32 S.

Sunday August the 23rd

Winds light Weather fine. the Ship going by the Wind on both tacks. at 6 p.m. spoke the Hooper and have parted company at 11 p.m. Nothing doing. Nothing in sight. Platte bearing E. 20 Lat. 1.35 S Long 81.16 W

Monday August the 24th

Winds light Weather fine. the Ship making two tacks through the Day. at 4 p.m. spoke the Wave and signaled the Eastward. at 2.00 spoke the same Nothing doing Nothing in sight Platte bearing E. Dist 20 M Current N. E. Lat. 00.47 S. Long 82.25