

Remarks On Board Bark Roscoe

Tuesday December 14th 1847

Commences with thick rainy weather wind moderate from East to ESE #4 Cleared up middle fresh from ESE Carried all sail to Northward & stood whale watches Later all hands Emp Stowing down oil in the fore hold #5:30 tacked to NE ESE the Perie in sight to leeward

Latitude 25° 21' Long 49° 24'

Wednesday 15th

Commences with Moderate breezes from NESE with light showers by the wind to Northward All hands Emp Stowing down #6 P.M. spoke Bark Perie 351 Spenn Middle & light burling breezes with light showers Carried all sail to the Northward later light breezes from ESE & Pleasant weather Steered NNE Emp Stowing down but no whales Lat Obs 24° 50' Long 49° 00'

Thursday 16th

All these 24 hours light moderate weather wind from East to ESE Steered North #7 P.M. NNE & Carried all later Emp in various gales Cooper getting up New Shakes

Lat 23° 15' Long Merid 48° 17'

Friday 17th

First Part Moderate Breezes from ESE fine weather Steered by the wind to NNE Middle fresh & some squally on Diff tacks later Steered by the wind to NNE Lat Obs 22° 43' Long Merid 48° 20'

Saturday 18th

All these 24 hours Strong breezes from East & some squally first Part Steered to Westward till 4 then to ESE & spoke the Perie Middle & later to South Eastward but no Whales to be seen Note how much Southwesterly current Lat Obs 23° 30' Long Merid 48° 20'

Sunday 19th

All these 24 hours Strong breezes from East to ESE first part Steered to ESE by the wind #4 P.M. #5:30 A.M. #6:30 Double reef & Steered by the wind to NNE #2:30 tacked #5:30 tacked to North Ends from NNE

Lat 23° 21' Long Merid 47° 40'

Note Chronometer 12 miles to West

Monday 20th

All these 24 hours Fresh breezes #3 P.M. tacked Ship off shore the Land 8 miles off by estimation Steered to SE by the wind All night under single reefs #5:30 A.M. tacked to North Strong southerly current Cloudy Latitude Obs 23° 36' Long #Merid 48° 10'

Off East Coast of Madagascar

Tuesday December 21st 1847

All these 24 hours Strong breezes from ESE to NE & some squally first part Steered to SE Middle under single reefs #6 A.M. tacked to North End under all sail & long way off to Windward #10 tacked to ESE Lat Obs 23° 58' Long 48° 30'

Wednesday 22nd

All these 24 hours fresh breezes from ESE to NE first Part Cloudy later clear Steered by the wind to ESE & SE under all sail & stood hole watches Lat Obs 24° 45' Long #Merid 50° 00'

Thursday 23

All these 24 hours Strong breezes from NNE to ESE later squally & showery Steered to South Eastward by the wind Saw Spinbacks Latitude Obs 25° 48' Long #Merid 51° 44'

Friday 24th

All these 24 hours fresh trades from ESE Steered to SE & ESE by the wind first part Saw 3 Merchant Ships Steering to the westward Lat Obs 26° 44' Long #Merid 53° 40'

Saturday 25th

First & middle fresh breezes from NNE to NE ships sent from SESE to ESE later more moderate Emp in various gales Carpenter making Lower Deck Hatch for the fore Hatchway Lat 27° 38' Long 55° 25'

Saturday Sunday 26th

All these 24 hours Moderate breezes from NE & fair weather Steered by the wind to ESE with some light showers Note how Exp some 20 miles Southerly current Lat 28° 17' Long Merid 56° 50'

Monday 27th

All these 24 hours light breezes from ESE fine pleasant weather Steered to ESE by the wind under all sail later fitted A new Topsail & mainsail for bending Lat Obs 28° 57' Long Merid 58° 20'

Tuesday 28th

First Part Moderate Breezes from NE fine clear weather by the wind to ESE Sent down eating Pandanus its stripped & fitted them later sent them up & lashed them #9 P.M. tacked Ship to NNE Middle & later Strong breezes from NNE to NE flying clouds Lat Obs 28° 10' Long Merid 58° 05'