

Bark Smyrna of New Bedford, Mass.

1013.



Tuesday Sept. 16th 1856.

Commences with unsteady breezes still carrying sail working up towards Port Louis in company with three other sails, at 6 P.M. the light on Canonier's Point bearing S. E. by E. per compass, Dist. 5 miles and we were heading S. W. by W. middle and latter part light breezes and pleasant working up towards the harbour at 8 A.M. came too anchor outside the Bell buoy in 20 fathoms of water and paid out 50 fathoms of chain. So ends these 24 hours.

1014 to 1038.

In Port.

Sept. 17th to Oct. 11th 1856.

Lying at Mauritius purchasing provisions, shipping men in place of deserters, repairing damages done by a ship that run into us &c. &c. &c. So ends &c.

1039.

Adieu! Sweet lass.

Sunday Oct. 12th 1856.

At 10 A.M. took the anchor and stood out to sea under double reefed topsails and courses, the wind brisk from the Eastward. So ends &c. Long. By obs. 56° 50' 15" (20' too far West.)

1040.

Short Sail.

Monday Oct. 13th 1856.

Begins with very light breezes from the S. E. at sunset nearly abreast of Cape Brabant, with the anchors stowed and chains below, middle part laying under double reefed topsails, latter part steering N. W. under the same sail. So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 20° 37' Long. By obs. 56° 14' 00" Bar. 30.1.

1041.

Bourbon.

Tuesday Oct. 14th 1856.

Commences with moderate breezes from S. E. steering N. by N. middle part steering the same course at about 1 A.M. saw the light off the N. part of Bourbon, at daylight the island in sight, latter part brisk breezes from E. N. E. steering N. S. W. with the main top gallant sail out, employed fitting the boats and doing other sundry jobs. So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 20° 52' Long. By obs. 54° 16' 15" Bar. 30.1

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Blackfish.

Wednesday Oct. 15th 1856.

Begins with brisk breezes from E. N. E. steering N. S. W. with the main top gallant sail out, at sunset shortened sail and set boat's crew watches, middle and latter part brisk breezes steering the same course under double reefed topsails and foresail, and saw blackfish. So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 22° 09' Long. By obs. 52° 23' 45" Bar. 30.1.

1043.

Rugged.

Thursday Oct. 16th 1856.

Commences with the wind from the N. E. and rugged steering N. S. W. under double reefed topsails and foresails, middle part steering the same, latter part wind more to the Westward and moderate after being squally in the morning. So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23° 17' Long. By obs. 51° 21' 15" Bar. 30.0.

1044. Mr. Butler.



Friday Oct. 17th 1856.

Begins with very light unsteady breezes from N. E. to N. W. heading on the Western tack and caught a porpoise, middle part calm, latter part wind from N. S. W. and squally heading to the N. W. with the flying jib and gaff topsail out. So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23° 05' Long. By obs. 51° 10' 45" Bar. 30.0.

1045.

Jumper.

Saturday Oct. 18th 1856.

Commences with brisk breezes from the Southward heading N. and N. by S. under single reefed topsails and courses, and saw a jumper, middle part moderate, latter part wind from the Southward steering N. S. W. nothing of the whale kind seen. So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23° 57' Long. By obs. 50° 23' 45" Bar. 30.2.

1046.

Whale Birds.

Sunday Oct. 19th 1856.

Begins with moderate breezes from S. S. E. and pleasant steering N. with the main top gallant sail out, middle part light breezes steering the same course, latter part fresh breezes from E. steering N. by E. under a whole main topsail, double reefed fore sail and foresail, saw several whale birds. So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 24° 23' Long. By obs. 48° 39' 15" Bar. 30.2.