

Journal

Friday 8 September 1843

Sail and spanker double reefed the topsails the squall lasted about 20m then set the fore and main courses and jib the rain fell in torrents for half an hour the watch employed variously employed about the rigging at daylight unbent the fore topsail and bent a new one

Courses	Winds	Lat	Long
SWB, W	SE, SSE	4° 52' N	155° 54' W

Saturday 9 Sept

This day commences with clear weather and steady breezes and continues the same throughout the watch employed mending a topsail and roping a spanker

Courses	Winds	Lat	Long
SW, SWB, S	SE	3° 39' N	157° 15' W

Sunday 10 Sept

This day commences with clear weather and light breezes and continues the same throughout find the current setting very strong to the Westward and running us away from our course

Courses	Winds	Lat	Long
SW, SWB, S	S.E.	2° 53' N	158° 21' W

Monday 11 Sept

This day commences with clear pleasant weather and light breezes and continues the same throughout the watch employed breaking out water and working on a new spanker find the current so strong that the ship is two points to leeward of her course every twenty four hours a number of men off duty sick

Courses	Winds	Lat	Long
SB, W, SW	SE, E, SE	1° 39' N	159° 33' W

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Tuesday 12th Sept 1843

Moderate breezes and clear weather throughout the day the watch employed on a spanker and bending it also mending an old topsail

Courses	Winds	Lat	Long
SSW	SE	0° 5' South	160° 46' W

Wednesday 13 Sept

This day commences with strong breezes for the first part middle and latter light the watch employed partly in the rigging and partly on an old topsail find the current not quite so strong these twenty four hours

Course	Wind	Lat	Long
SB, W	SEB, E	1° 33' S	161° 46' W

Thursday 14 Sept

This day commences with light breezes and clear weather and continues the same throughout the watch employed mending an old fore top galeen sail making spungarn and other small jobs

Courses	Winds	Lat	Long
South	East	2° 23' S	162° 21' W

Friday 15 Sept

This day commences with strong breezes and clear weather and continues the same throughout the watch variously employed in the rigging making gaskets and spungarn took a lunar observation of the sun and moon to day

Courses	Winds	Lat	Long
SSE	East	4° 12' S	Chas 162° 31' Long 161° 48' W

Saturday 16 Sept

Light airs and calms throughout this day with clear weather the watch employed refitting rigging making spungarn etc

Courses	Winds	Lat	Long
SE, S	E, NE	5° 2' S	162° 14' 30" W