

Journal

Wednesday 27 Dec 1843

Clear pleasant weather and light breezes throughout this day the watch employed rattling down the rigging several of the men sick of boils

Courses	Winds	To att	To on
NB, W	ESE	21° 31'	28° 34'

Thursday 28 Dec

Blowing very heavy squalls and very baffling thick cloudy weather through the first part at 10h30 in AM Trinidad Island in sight bearing NW by W middle and latter part clear weather and light breezes the watch employed breaking out water

Courses	Winds	To att	To on
NB, W	NNE ESE	20° 25' S	28° 17' } 27° 37' Chron. Honor

Friday 29 Dec

Moderate breezes and clear weather through this day at 2h PM exchanged colours with an English Barque standing to the southward the watch employed rattling down the rigging

Courses	Winds	To att	To on
N	E	18° 32'	28° 55'

Saturday 30 Dec

Clear pleasant weather to 6h30m PM when the sky became overcast and a thunder storm commenced which lasted to 5h AM raging in all its fury all sail taking off the ship in case of accident also blowing very hard from the south running before the gale.

Courses	Winds	To att	To on
North	ESE, S, E	16° 31' S	29° 30' } 29° 4' W Chron. Honor

Sunday 31 Dec

Clear pleasant weather and light breezes throughout this day

Courses	Winds	To att	To on
N NW	E, ENE, E	15° - 1° S	30° 15'

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Monday 1st January 1844

This first day of the new year began with excessive heavy rain and heavy squalls the wind very baffling top galen sails furled at 10h30m double reefed the topsails furled the jib spraker gaff topsail hauled up the main sail split the fore top galen sail the watch employed banding top galen sails and gaff topsail

Courses	Winds
N, E, NNW	Variable

Tuesday 2d Jan

Heavy squalls with incessant rain through this day the wind very baffling carried away the wheel ropes had a new fair bent tacked off shore at 7h30m AM the top sails double reefed and down on the cap through the night

Courses	Winds
NNW ESE	E, to North

Wednesday 3d Jan

Blowing strong gales from the N.E. through the most part of this day the watch employed about the rigging and minding sails at 7h PM tacked ship to the Northward shook the reefs out of the top sails set the main top galen sail

Courses	Winds	To att	To on
ESE NB, W	NE ENE	12° 53' South	31° 9' W

Thursday 4d Jan

Clear pleasant weather and moderate breezes throughout this day the watch employed at the rigging and repairing sails

Courses	Winds	To att	To on
NNE NEAN	E, ESE	11° 13' S	30° 57' W