

# Journal of a Voyage Kept on board

Monday Oct the 30 1839

Lat Obs 3. 02. 8  
Long in by Star 27. 27 W  
Commenced with a fine breeze and pleasant weather at 6 PM took the ship and stood to the Southward at 5 AM saw brig sailing to the northward this ends these 24 hours with fresh breeze

Tuesday Oct the 28 1839

Lat Obs 5. 17  
Long in 29. 14  
Commenced with fresh breeze and pleasant weather with the watch employed in fitting new fore topmast back stays at 2 AM took in the fore top gallant sail at 8 AM commenced on them back stays

Wednesday Oct the 29

Lat Obs 7. 32  
Long in 31. 5  
Commenced with fresh breeze at 5 PM saw a large school of grampuses a breaching and caught a paupoise at 10 AM saw a ship standing to the Northward

Thursday Oct the 30

Lat Obs 10. 35  
Long in 30. 30  
Commenced with pleasant weather and fresh breeze at 4 PM saw a ship sailing to the northward and westward this day ends with pleasant weather

Friday Oct the 31

Lat Obs 13. 12  
Long in 29. 29  
Commenced with fresh breeze and pleasant with the watch employed in various jobs this ends these 24 hours

Saturday Nov the 1 1839

Lat Obs 15. 52  
Long in 27. 36  
Commenced with fresh winds and pleasant weather middle part moderate at daylight fresh breeze latter part light winds

Sunday Nov the 2 1839

Lat Obs 18. 13  
Long in 29. 34  
Commenced with light winds and pleasant weather at 6 PM equally middle and latter part moderate

# the Ship Galen bound to the East

Monday Nov the 3 1839

Lat Obs 19. 52  
Long in 29. 58  
Commenced with light winds and pleasant weather at 4 AM we saw the island of Martin Vas Dist 5 leagues Bearing SE by S

Tuesday Nov the 4

Lat Obs 21. 51  
Long in 30. 50  
Commenced with fresh breeze and cloudy at 5 PM the island of Timor last bore East Dist 6 leagues from whence I take my departure with the wind SE

Wednesday Nov the 5

Lat Obs 24. 07  
Long in 29. 22  
Commenced with fresh breeze and cloudy with the watch employed in various jobs this 24 hours ends with fine breeze

Thursday Nov the 6

Lat Obs 26. 02  
Long in 28. 50  
Commenced with fresh breeze and at 6 AM saw a large whale toward three boats he was going quick did not get fast at 10 AM toward again the starboard boat struck when I fastened the line carried me overboard and I went down with the whale but I had the good luck to clear myself and got in the boat with a bruised leg and a shattered hand now I am on board of the ship on the sick list off Duty

Friday Nov the 7

Lat Obs 25. 50  
Long in 29. 30  
Commenced with fresh breeze and whale in sight at 3 PM toward three boats all got fast at 6 PM took the starboard boats whale along side at 7 took the starboard boats whale along side the waist boat had the misfortune to get her line cut and she lost her whale at daylight AM got ready for cutting it observing so fresh did not commence