

Journal of the Voyage on Board

Wednesday Feb 5th
 The 24 hours commences with fresh
 gales from the Northward and rainey
 At 1 P.M. took in the close reef
 fore topsail and furlled it At 7 P.M.
 Close reefed the main topsail and
 reefed the foresail middle part and
 N.W. and Clear blowing at fresh
 Gale of Wind Latter Part wind N.W.
 at 8 A.M. Set the Close Reef
 fore topsail on bent the fore top
 mast staysail and reefed it
 and bent it again at meridian
 took in the fore topsail carried away
 the fore topgalant head stay put
 a cable on to it and set it
 up to the end of the bowsprit
 So ends fresh gales and heavy
 Sea
 Lat 24° 59' N
 Long by Chr 30° 50' W

Thursday Feb 6th
 First part of this Day fresh gales from
 N.W. under Close Reef main topsail
 And Reef foresail middle part more
 moderate Latter the Close Reef fore
 topsail shook on Reef out of the main
 topsail and Reef out of the foresail
 Latter Part fine Pleasant Weather
 With light airs from the N.W.
 heading N.W. & with all sail set
 Nothing in sight So ends this
 Day Lat 24° 06' South
 Long by Chr 30° 20' West

The Barque Ship Blackstone 1845

Friday Feb 7th
 First Part of this Day light Wind from
 the Northward heading to the Eastward
 at 10 P.M. Wind N.W. & took ship
 to the N.W. At 2 P.M. Wind N.W.
 took ship to the E.C. & middle part
 Fresh Wind and heavy Weather took in
 topgalant sails flying jib Latter Part
 fresh Northwesterly gales and Cloudy
 Double Reefed the topsails at 10 A.M.
 took in jib and spanker at meridian
 took in the mainsail heading E.C. &
 So ends these 24 hours Rough Weather
 Lat 26° 51' South

Saturday Feb 8th
 First Part of this Day Strong gales from
 the Northward and Cloudy Weather at
 1 P.M. Close Reefed the fore topsail
 at 2 P.M. Close reefed the main top
 sail and furlled the fore topsail middle
 Part strong gales and rainey Weather at
 2 P.M. the Wind shifted to the
 N.W. Latter Part thick rainey
 Weather Wind N.W. and clear at
 10 A.M. the wind shifted to the
 Southward heading N.W. & So ends
 this Day With light baffling Wind
 and rain No sail
 Lat 26° 51' South

Sunday Feb 9th
 First Part of this Day light airs from
 the Southward and Calm With thick rainey
 Weather middle Part light Variables and
 heavy rainey Latter Part Wind from
 N.W. to N.W. and rainey at 10 A.M.
 took ship to the E.C. & So ends
 this Day Lat 25° 51' South
 Long by Chr 28° 31' West