

May 17

Bruce out on cruise

Wednesday 15 commences fine with light breeze from S.E. steering by the wind making 8 1/2 knots the watch employed being up flying middle part strong breezes but part the same at 11 it all took in the fore topgallant sail struck and craved from three jibsails seen

lat 18° 38' long 45° 19' E

Thursday 16 commences fine with strong breeze from S.E. heading E by S at sunset took in the light sails and set back ones for the light middle part squally took in the jib spanker and main sail at daylight set the main sail last strong breezes heading E at sunset it jib and spanker so a shock of seasickness seen

lat 18° 00' long 46° 11' E

Thursday 17 commences with strong breeze from S.E. heading E by the wind turned up the starboard boat and painted her middle part strong breeze under her topsails was haled up at daylight made sail set the courses jib and spanker

lat 17° 23' long 47° 00' E

Friday 18 commences with strong breeze from S.E. heading E at sunset struck and craved from spanker middle part strong breeze at daylight tacked heading S.W. by the wind but part moderate breezes turned up the west boat and painted her some lat 17° 50' long 46° 48' E

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Bruce off Algebar

Saturday 19 commences with moderate breezes from S.E. heading S.W. turned up the starboard boat and painted her at sunset took in the main topgallant sail middle part strong breezes heading S.W. by N. at 4 A.M. tacked heading S.E. and on 19 lat 18° 28' long 46° 21'

Sunday 20 commences with strong breeze from S.E. heading E by S broke out the fore topgallant sail middle part squally at 3 A.M. single reefed main topgallant sail reefed the fore at daylight took in jib and hauled up the main sail set the main spinnaker at 9 raised the Island Algebar set the main sail and started by the wind heading S.E. by S

Monday 21 commences squally and reefed top sails and crossed Algebar bearing S.E. by S at 2 P.M. tacked ship heading E.S.E. so spinnaker middle part squally being 4 miles with main topgallant sail last part set the courses jib and spanker Algebar in bearing S.E. and on

Tuesday 22 commences squally under double reefed top sails courses jib and spanker at sunset closed reefed the main topgallant sail reefed the main top in jib and spanker at 4 P.M. the fore topgallant at 2 A.M. haled up the fore sail last part strong gales from S.E. under double reefed main top sail and fore topgallant so on