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Brice cruising off Make Banks

Saturday 16 commences squally with rain light breezes from S heading W by W at sunset took in sail for the light middle part cloudy last part squally at 11 A.M. so Bird Island of the weather has come

Sunday 17 commences squally and rainy with strong breezes from S E heading S W on the wind the above mentioned line in sight and two sails at sunset double reefed the topsails took in gill and spanker backing to E middle part squally last part strong breezes made solid sounds

Monday 18 commences squally with strong breezes from S E heading E by the wind at sunset took in sail for the light middle part squally last part the sun set whole topsails gill and spanker heading E by S by the wind

Tuesday 19 commences squally with moderate breezes from S E heading E at sunset took in gill and spanker and double reefed the topsails middle part squally last part fine heading E by N so ends lat 34° 21' S long 89° 15' E

Wednesday 20 commences fine with light breezes from S E heading S W at sunset double reefed the topsails middle squally fast fine so a sail steering to the Eastward I sent the gill in to reefers at all sail

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Thursday 21 commences fine with moderate breezes from S E by S heading S W by S under all sail the above mentioned sail in sight the water employed mending sails at sunset took in sail for the light middle squally last fine sent the mainsail down to reefers so several fymbackes so ends lat 4° 38' long 87° 33' E

Friday 22 commences with fine weather with light breezes from S E steering S W by S by the wind the mainsail and stowed A 2nd W at sunset took in sail for the light so several fymbackes kept the wind on the starboard tack with the main yard aback at day light braces forward heading E at sunrise so several fymbackes sent forth and then kept her off W by S fine weather so ends

Saturday 23 commences with cloudy weather and fresh breezes S E steering W by S at sunset took in sail haled up the forecable luff to on the starboard tack middle cloudy last fine steering W by S at luff to the wind heading W by S so ends lat 6° 40' long 86° 50' E

Sunday 24 commences with cloudy with light breezes from S heading W by S under all sail so a sail and several fymbackes at sunset took in the cross jib reefed and hauled the main topsail aback middle part cloudy