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Friday 20 commences fine with moderate breezes from N steering W under all sail. middle cleared W last the same steering W S W so ends lat 1.23 S long 52 48 E

Saturday 21 commences fine with moderate breezes from N steering W S W so finebarks at dark took in the light sails mainsail & foresail and luffed to the wind to the N W at 10 PM were ship to East at daylight made all sail so a fairbark so ends lat 2.10 S long 53.38 E

Sunday 22 commences fine with light breezes from N steering to the Eastward under all sail at sunset took in the light sails & fore middle last the same at daylight made all sail so ends lat 2.36 S long 54.53 E

Monday 23 commences fine with moderate breezes from N steering to Eastward at 2 PM left off to the SE at dark took in the light sails & foresail & mainsail and luffed to the wind heading to N & W middle & last the same at 11 PM were ship to E at daylight made all sail & shared S by W so ends lat 3.24 S long 56 00 E

Tuesday 24 commences fine with light winds from N steering S by W at 4 PM took a squall of rain took in the light sails & foresail & luffed down the topsails & luffed up the mainmast at the west at 8 PM luffed to the Eastward and set whole topsails at 1 PM were round to & steered W at daylight set all sail two vessels in sight so ends

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Wednesday 25 commences squally with variable winds from South & Eastward steering to S & Westward at 4 PM took a heavy squall of rain & wind took in all sail to close reefed main topsail at sunset set double reefed topsail middle & last the same working to the windward at day light set single reefed topsail so ends lat 3.12 long 56 00 E

Thursday 26 commences squally with rain the wind from S & E under single reefed topsail & courses middle & last at daylight was from N & E steering S by W by W so ends lat 3.44 S long 58 38 E

Friday 27 commences fine with light airs from N steering S by W under all sail struck & got a squall at sunset took in the foretop gallies sail middle & last the wind from N & E steering W by N at daylight made all sail & steered S W by W so one sail so ends lat 3.40 S long 56.58 E

Saturday 28 commences fine with light breezes from N steering S W under all sail at 4 PM we the Island of Prastan & several other foraster bearing S S W 30 miles middle & last the same laying off Prastan at day light left off for the Harser and bent the chains & got the anchor clear ends