

116 Bruce Bound Towards the Noorambyne

Friday 17 commences fine with brisk Breezes from the Northward heading to Westward at 7 PM took a heavy squall from the S W & clouded down frequent squalls & topsails and braced round heading N W at 9 PM the wind shifted to N W & raised round heading N W & last the same for work making Rigger's ends at 14.55 S

Saturday 18 commences with cloudy weather & slight winds from N & west heading to the Westward under all sail middle & last the same the wind from N steering N to work making and filling rigger's ends lat 5.20 D

Sunday 19 commences fine with light winds from N steering N under all sail employed making & filling rigger's middle & last squally with light breezes from N heading N so ends

Monday 20 commences squally with light breezes from N steering N under all sail middle & last the same at 10 AM set foretopmast studding sail steering N to work rearing new rigger's lat 6.24 S long 49.35 E

Tuesday 21 commences fine with moderate breezes from N steering N under all sail the foretopmast studding sail set at 4 PM took in the studding sail the wind being to N N W middle squally at 10 PM took in the light sails & down topsails hauled up the coarces took Feb & split the plank lat 6.55 S long 49.47 E

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Wednesday 22 commences fine with light air from N steering Westward under all sail to work fitting the sprinker at 2 PM bent it again to work making rattling stay and rearing new rigger's middle the same set lower studding sail the fore topmast studding sail being set so ends

Thursday 23 commences fine with light air from N steering to the Westward under all sail to work making new jib foreants middle & last the same to work bending new main topsail & foresail one sail in sight steering to S W so ends lat 6.30 S long 46.32 E

Friday 24 commences fine with light air from N steering west N W to work fitting studding sail Booms the above mentioned sail in sight middle & last the same sent the main sail down and repaired it so ends lat 7.00 S long 4

Saturday 25 commences fine with light air from N steering S W under all sail at 3 PM hauled and bent the main sail again middle & last the same sent the foretopmast down & repaired it so ends Sunday 26 N lat 8 19 long 44.50 E

commences fine to work repairing the foretopmast at 3 PM bent the fore topsail again the wind from N & steering S W middle & last the same set the foretopmast studding sail