

Barque Brunett cruising off the mouth of the
Thursdayth 29 commenced with strong westerly gales at 4^h 30^m P.M.
December took in the Mast Boat & wore Ship Liba Fishes
1842 fell across the main rope stanchion while in the act
of boarding the fore tack and injured his side,
middle & latter part more moderate wind from the
Southward Barque heading E.S.E. by the wind
turned out the reefs; saw a Sail steering to the
Northward so ends these 24 hours

Lat by obs 32° 05' S
Long by Chronometer 47° 33' W

Fridayth 30 commenced with strong wind from the Southward
Barque heading E.S.E. but the fore topmast staysail
ripped up the old one at 7 P.M. tacked to the Westward
& double reefed the topsails middle part wind light
& variable, latter part a fine breeze from the South
ward & fair weather the watch on deck employed in
breaking out the main hatchways & regulating things
in the hold, at 11^h 30^m tacked raised a Sail the starboard
night, lowered the Mast Boat after him but without
success; saw one shoal of Porpoises going quick

so ends these 24 hours Lat by obs 32° 22' S
Long by Chr 47° 12' W
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Saturdayth 31 commenced with light breezes from the Southward
December & fine weather at 6 P.M. raised a Sail ahead tacked
1842 Ship to the Westward middle part calm at 1 A.M.
a breeze sprang up from the Southward steering S.W. by E.
as a course latter part strong wind & huddling ahead
the watch on deck employed in ripping up an old topsail
for the want of better business repair three Sails in the
fore noon all bound North
so ends the Year 1842 five months & 20 days
from Home with only 100 barrels of Sperm oil on board

River La Plate after Sperm Oil taken Janth 1, 1843
Januaryth 1 commenced with strong breezes from the Southward & Westward
1843 Barque heading S.W. by E. wind increased & blew down
Sunday double reefed the topsails; at sunset wore Ship, middle &
latter part fine weather wind light & mostly from the South
ward; found a note on the Cabin stairs directed to Mys
self & Mr Lawrence wishing us a happy new year &
hoping to get home in 4 months. Saw on Shoal off Kill
ers & many Birds Lat by obs 32° 11' S
Long by Chronometer 47° 30' W

Mondayth 2 commenced with light winds & variable course S.W. by S;
1843 at sunset, set three watches & shortened sail
blew sea ^{strong} through the night moderate at daylight
set the watch to work mending an old fore topsail
so ends these 24 hours

Lat by obs 32° 56' S
Long by Chro 48° 36' W

Tuesdayth 3 light wind from the N.W. Barque heading to the
1843 Westward; at 5 P.M. finished mending & bent the fore
topsail & washed off the decks at daylight called all
hands made sail and lubbed the bit with water
latter part employed on the topsail that we unbent
saw Porpoises & the lower boat after him but with
out success so ends Lat in 33° 16' S

Long in 49° 26' W

Wednesdayth 4 light winds & variable Barque heading
1843 S.W. by E. the watch on deck employed in
mending the fore topsail; lowered a Boat
after a turtle or rather a Sun Fish but
without success Lat in 34° 42' S
Long in 49° 49' W