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MANUSCRIPT CHART OF THE TRACK OF H.M.S. JUPITER FOR THE YEAR 1807

To Captain H.E.R. Baker of H.M.S. Jupiter and Commodore of the E.I. Fleet. This Chart of a new Passage tho' which he conducted the Fleet in August 1807 is a Proof of his Anxiety for its quick arrival in India and is a mark of his esteem of his most obedt. and faithful, humble Servt. J.A. Camberledge.

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Physical description

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Dimensions

450 by 590mm. (17.75 by 23.25 inches).

Notes

The chart depicts the track of H.M.S. Jupiter passing Madagascar in the year 1807. As the chart

states:

'The track of His Majesty's Ship Jupiter Commodore Baker in 1807 having under his Convoy eleven Indiamen who being prevented going to the north by constant Northerly Winds on getting the SE Trade carried the Fleet thro' this passage without meeting any Island or Shaol'

As is stated above she was acting as escort for eleven East Indiamen. The continuing war with France had left many of the convoys to India, the East Indies, and China vulnerable to attack by French ships. As a reaction to this threat the British began to sail in convoy and, as here, with a military escort.

H.M.S. Jupiter was a 50 gun fourth rate ship-of-the-line launched in 1778. She was wrecked on the 10th December 1808 – just three months after her return from the East – when she struck a sunken rock in Vigo Bay.

The chart also bears the track of the East Indiaman Surrey dated 1805.

Bibliography

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