

A VOYAGE ON LAKE MICHIGAN — 1779.

Remarks on Board his Majestys Sloop Felicity by Samuel Roberts on Piloting her on Lake Mitchigon.

Thursday 21st of October 1779 at 10 A. M. we left Mitchle-mackina the wind moderate and south the weather warm and hazy; at 12 squaly; hau^d ye T. sail; steared W. B. N. clear of Wabashaw p^t; at 2 P. M. the wind freshened & hauling to y^e S. S. W. the weather looking black to the West; we had Wabashaws p^t bearing S. E. in 7 fa^t; we past the p^t in 2½ f^{ms}, we then haul^d the vessel close; she steard W. S. W. a great swell from the S. W. At Sun Sett Tak^d to the Eastward we was then about a League dis^t from the North west of the beever islnd in 2½ fa^m stoney bottom; the weather Looking black to the S. W. and the gail freshening we bor away for the lee of Wabashaws p^t at 7 P. M. cam too in 4½ f^m the p^t bearing S W 2 miles distance; cloudy weather with showers of rain; at 12 this night hard showers of rain with squals of wind. At 6 A M got underway from the N W; we stood S W B W in 4 f^m & stood E S E towards Wabashaws p^t. We wore again & stood over West untill we had the beever island bearing West; the wind shifted to the North W; at 9 A. M. we tak^d & stood S S W, our course to the Manatoo islands; dark weather and a heavy swell from the S S W. At 11 left the reef out of Mainsail & set the T sail Cutt 6 fathoms from the end of the but bour Cappel [cable] it being wore out, & bent the best end; the wind light & variable from N to N W. Nothing more remarkable this 24 hours.

Remarks on Fradey 22^d October 1779 — At 12 this day the wind N W rain & thick weather; at 2 P. M. the wind hauling N we Sett the square saile we then had the grand beever island bearing West 2 Leagues at 4 P. M. the wind hauling to the West we hau^d the squar saile a hard rain & thick weather; at 4 P M the wind hauling to the W. S. W. hau^d the T. sail; a fresh gale with small rain. I then saw an island to Leeward about three Leaugs which I took for North-