

Correspondance Sunday Times

30 September
Longitude 27°48'
Latitude 22°04 at noon

Dear Robert,

No luck yesterday: I have to about 300 yards from the village of Trinite island, hoping somebody would raw a dinghy and come close to collect these letters. But nobody came. Enclosed some photographs. Where you see land, it is Trinidade island, really beautiful, but very dry. The village is very small but very clean and nice, as far as I could judge from the distance with binocular. The houses (3 or 4 only) are white with green windows, and I think the roofs are green, but funny enough I cannot really remember whether the roofs are green or red or white!... There is an old ship wrecked just in front, probably a whealer (baleinier) in steel, all rusty.

The sea has become suddenly cool since Trinidad. Before, it was really warm, but now, I would not like to swim in it a long time.

I hope some ship will take these letters if I come close enough to the land when passing Good Hope. I am still flying M.I.K. since I left Plymouth, (day and night!) and the 3 flags are still in fairly good conditions after 39 days flying with the wind! The wind has backed from SE to NE since Trinidad, ...

Joshua's course is now toward SE for the first time since the Equator.

About the photographs included in this parcel, you can use all you want, as a present#, but please do not lose them, and give them back to me when I come back. Please also make a good copy of the 25 best of them and send them to Mr Pierre LAVAT, Revue BATEAUX 71 RUE FONDARY PARIS 15e tel SEG 1185. He is a good friend of mine and will be happy to publish them in his nautical magazine. But I hope I will meet a fishing boat first!

Regards

Bernard

PS if Pierre Lavat want to see these photo give him copies of what he wants. Please phone him when you receive these letters.

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