

On Board Bark Abraham Barker off New Zealand

Leather part it grazed up strong from the C. H. Capt. Halline to the N. We had at hand our light sails. It was more heading to the N. W. from course is N. soon as we can hold more. It at 11 A. M. we double reefed our topsails &c.

Saturday May 4th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours strong breeze from the N. We were under double reef topsails heading about N. W. by N. Middle part strong winds & squally with rain & was under close reef main topsail part of the time & the wind was to the N. & N. E. to the N. W. & it blew about N. E. Leather part not so much wind. We made some sail and set double reef topsails & carried jib & spanker & headed to the N. E. on that day.

Sunday May 5th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours light breeze & squalls & some rain with the wind from the N. We were under double reef topsails & heading to the N. E. by the wind on the short tack. &c. our course is about N. by N. E. Middle part squally with rain. We were under double reef main topsails &c. Leather we made sail & the wind hauled around to the S. & we steered N. by E. with all sail set &c. &c.

Monday May 6th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours light breeze & some squally & rain with the wind from the South & we had all sail set & steering N. by E. for mangarui. Middle part the same &c. Leather part the same & our men have been employed at ship duties &c. & varnishing the cabin &c.

Tuesday May 7th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant with a good breeze from the S. We had all sail set & steering N. by E. &c. Middle part the same &c. Leather the same & our men have been employed at ship duties & we sent our fore & rear yard & sail aloft &c. &c.

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Wednesday May 8th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant with a light breeze from the S. We had all sail set & steering N. by E. Middle part the same &c. Leather part the same & our men have been employed at ship duties &c.

Thursday May 9th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant with a light breeze from the S. We had all sail set & steering N. by E. & about 2 P. M. we raised a school of sperm whales & points off our lee bow & about 4 miles off & they was going quick to the windward & we toward 3 boats but did not get any they was going so quick & they got to the windward of our boats &c. Middle part the same only the wind rather backing &c. Leather part the same & our men have been employed at cleaning ship & fixing up things ready for part &c.

Friday May 10th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours good weather & we had all sail set & steering N. by E. for mangarui & we expect to see land tomorrow &c. & our men have been employed at washing ships all over inside & cleaning every thing &c. Middle part fresh winds from the N. W. by N. & A. M. we hauled our head yards aback & by 10 A. M. we were thinking that land was not far off but when morning came we saw no land so we kept off to the E. & made sail &c. Leather part the same only it blew stronger & looking out for land &c.

Saturday May 11th 1867

The first part of these 24 hours strong breeze from the N. We were steering about N. E. looking for land & about 3 P. M. we raised the islands which they call the 3 Kings &c. Middle part blowing a gale from the S. & we hove to on the port tack under a close reef main topsail &c. Leather the same part of the time no land in sight so we wore ship & stood towards the land &c.