

Ship Leonidas For Ontongil Bay

Wednesday 27 of June 1838

first part fine breeze from S.E. pleasant
middle & later parts strong winds from
S.E. squally with light showers first part
sailed to W.W. North Course S.E. later
O.C. under Double reef No observation

Thursday 28 first part strong S.E. winds & cloudy
middle & later more moderate turned out all
reefs but S.E. sails first part Course O.C. at
3 A.M. O.C. So Ends lively breezes clear
saw nothing

Latitude Obs 17° 18' S
Long at 2° 30' by Chron 50° 41' E
by Lunar 51° 02'

Friday 29 first & middle parts lively breezes from S.E.
pleasant Course O.C. later part light breezes
Course O.C. at 11 A.M. saw the land the
Isle of St. Marks bearing N.W. at 4 A.M.
saw 4 sail a stern standing to O.C. at 11^h 45^m
spoke the premeditated brig - saw lack of
3 days from Ontongil Bay
with bullock for Isle of France with tops of
Foremast 2 days previous hoisting out Dead Bullock

Latitude Obs 17° 22'
Long at 3 D.M. 50° 20'

Saturday All these 24 hours light breezes from S.E.
to S.W. fine weather first part Course O.C.
at 5 A.M. at 1 A.M. have M.T. sail to the
mast at 4 hoist full steered N.W. at
12 meridian entered the mouth of Ontongil
Bay saw humphacks

Latitude Obs 16° 06'
Long at 2 D.M. by Chron 49° 45'

Sunday 1st of July 1838 first part light winds from South
with light showers at 10 took land breeze
Down the Bay about 15 miles from the islands
at 9 A.M. calm saw a ship below heading
down the Bay So Ends the tide set in out the
Bay clear calm & lat 15 miles from anchorage

Leighing In Ontongil Bay

Monday 2 of July 1838

All this day light breezes from land & small
breezes from Sea & Calms at 3 P.M. light Sea
breeze sprung up at 12 middle part an came to
anchor 2 miles below the loar island at 8 A.M.
the Captain leard struck a humphack which
run 4 miles Down the Bay cut line with the lance
Caught a Shark that measured 12 feet at 1^h 30^m
P.M. waid anchor with a light Sea breeze
at 4 came to anchor to the North of the Island morose
Island the Ship Ann Perry of Portsmouth Capt
Swain was 800 of sperm oil 17 months out ship
Martha Hudson & M. Helden's months out 150 sperm
So Ends this day live account including 26 hours
light land breeze saw a good number of Whales in the Bay

Tuesday 3rd

All this day light land & Sea breezes with
fine weather. Starboard watch ashore on
liberty Starboard wooding &c got of two Casks
of water from shore

Wednesday 4th

first & middle part light land breezes & calm
fair weather later part wind from its usual
quarters & rainy this day the day of independence
of america which ought to be remembered
& celebrated by every american ship that
wears the stripes & stars in any person port
at 7 A.M. fired a gun hoisted the signal
long pennant & our National flag that waves
so beautifully in all quarters of the globe in a
flowing breeze no duty carried on this day
Starboard watch ashore on liberty fired at 12 oc & at sunset
gun

Thursday 5th

All this day wind from its usual quarters
& mostly rainy starboard watch ashore on
liberty Starboard cutting wood part of the day &c.

Friday 6th

first part light land breeze & rain middle
strong Sea breeze & fair later some rain
Starboard watch on liberty starboard wooding
saw several humphacks above the island