

Bark. Matilda Sears

Tuesday March 7th

First part fresh gale from west with squally weather ship bore to heading to the northward. Middle and latter part moderate breeze from west with fine weather ship beating to westward trying to get to the Bay of Islands at Indian Cape Ruel. Bore W.S.W. 10 miles and

Wednesday March 8th

First part moderate breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather ship beating to the westward. Middle part calm latter part light and calm ship working to the windward into the Bay of Islands at 9 A.M. the Capt. went on shore with a boat ship laying off and on

Thursday March 9th

Commenced with moderate breeze from East with pleasant weather at 8 P.M. the ship anchored at the Bay of Islands. Crew employed in washing ship outside and fitting the cutting shapes

Friday March 10th

Fine weather employed in painting and tarring down 50 tubs water and done other jobs at home the ship

Saturday March 11th

Fine weather employed in cleaning iron work and tarring down painted the main mast and the foremast and got a small raft water

Sunday March 12th

Fine weather doing nothing

Monday March 13th

Strong breeze from N.E. with drizzly weather employed in different jobs at home the ship

Laying at the Bay of Islands 1871

Tuesday March 14th

First part from N.E. with rising weather bore shore and drifted out by the way of the reef of the ship and came to anchor with two anchors. Sent Arthur Long Marigold and Williams to go ashore to be discharged

Wednesday March 15th

First part of the day raining weather latter part clear bore up the gale. Bore to the east and shipped on board the Northern Light 21 1/2 gallons of sperm oil. Rufus B. Chase went off duty with the general disburse

Thursday March 16th

Fine weather employed in shipping oil by the Hunter and Northern Light. Shipped on board the Hunter 5230 gallons and by the Northern Light 503 gallons

Friday March 17th

Fine weather employed in shipping oil by the Hunter. Northern Light and Osmani shipped on board the Hunter 1081 gallons and 1232 on board the Northern Light hauled ship and moved to the Northern Light total amount shipped by the Hunter 16290 galls

Saturday March 18th

Strong breeze from N.E. with heavy rain for part of the day employed in shipping oil on board the Northern Light in the afternoon hauled off and came to anchor

Sunday March 19th

Fine weather nothing doing

Tuesday March 20th

Fine weather at daylight hauled aboard the Northern Light to discharge oil at noon hauled off and hauled to the Osmani to discharge. Total amount by the Northern Light William Brown 4th officer 8593 galls intoxicated and disobedient went on shore against order had him William Brown put in prison by the Capt. William D. Gyppe and discharged by mutual consent