

Remarks on board Ship Mechanic

Remarks on board Tuesday January 4th 1848

These 24 hours Commence with Moderate breeze from the Eastward and pleasant heading to the Northward with in 6 or 7 miles of Byron's Island the Canoes came along side and we traded with the natives for Flats and Coconuts Perout Island in sight to the Westward of us, Dist 15 or 16 miles of at 6 P.M. Tacked to the SE saw Lights on Perout Island Middle part light airs from the Eastward Latter part light breeze from the E and pleasant at 9 A.M. saw White Water to the Leeward of Perout Island saw Nothing more of it So Ends Trading with the Natives at Perout Island

Lat by Obs 11° 39' S Long

Remarks on board Wednesday Jan 5th

These 24 hours Commences with Moderate breeze from the Eastward and pleasant heading to the Northward at sun set ^{at Perout Island} 1 P.M. Middle part variable with Rain heading on Different Tacks Latter part light breeze SE and pleasant Perout Island and Drummond's Island in sight saw Breaches to the windward of us employed in ship's duty So Ends

Lat by Obs 11° 38' S Long 175° 34' 48"

Remarks on board Thursday Jan 6th 1848

These 24 hours Commences with ~~with~~ Moderate breeze from the E and pleasant at 3 P.M. saw sperm whales Landed the Boats got one to the Bow boat at 6 P.M. took the Whale along side at 6 A.M. began to cut at 8 A.M. finished cutting So Ends with Moderate breeze from the N heading to the Eastward

Lat 02° 01' S Long 176° 18' East

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Remarks on board Friday Jan 7th 1848

These 24 hours Commences with Moderate breeze from the NE and Cloudy weather heading to the Eastward at 5 P.M. began to boil Middle part squally Double reef the Top sails Latter part fresh breeze from the Northward heading to the E under double reef Top sail employed in boiling saw Nothing So Ends
Lat by Obs 02° 20' South Long 176° 36' East

Remarks on board Saturday Jan 8th 1848

These 24 hours Commences with fresh breeze from the Northward and thick weather heading to the Eastward employed in boiling at 4 P.M. saw Hope Island bearing S by W Dist 15 miles Middle part fine breeze from the N heading to the Eastward at 8 P.M. finished boiling, and made more sail Latter part light breeze from the NE at 7 A.M. wore ship to the Westward saw Nothing Whale turned up 25 Bbls So Ends Lat 02° 32' S Long

Remarks on board Sunday Jan 9th 1848

These 24 hours Commences with Moderate breeze from the Eastward and pleasant heading to the Westward at 1 P.M. saw Hope Island bearing W by W Dist 15 miles at 5 P.M. the Canoes came off to us with a few Co Middle and Latter part fine breeze from the Northward and pleasant heading to the Eastward saw Porpoises So Ends

Lat by Obs 02° 11' S Long 176° 41' East