

Ship Minerva towards Bay of Islands.

Sunday Feb 22nd 1845.

This day commenced with fine weather and light wind from E. Steaming on different tracks beating up to land. Latter part one ship in sight on weather beam and the N. Cape also so ends today.

Monday Feb 23rd 1845.

This day commenced with fine weather and light wind up to 4 A.M. spoke beyond surge. Williamson's Sydney 9 m^{ts} and 600 spms latter employed in beating round Cape so ends today.

Tuesday Feb 24th 1845.

This day commenced with fine weather and strong wind from E. beating up to the Bay of Islands. one sail in sight so ends today.

Wednesday Feb 25th 1845.

This day commenced with calm weather and light weather lowered and took 4 Bkts. Fish. Latter part all hands employed in beating into bay.

Thursday Feb 26th 1845.

This day commenced with fine weather and light wind from N. running into bay. Saw a big outside so ends today.

Friday Feb 27th 1845.

This day commenced with fine weather and calm. at 3 A.M. came to anchor. Korpalska in 10 fathom water for station.

Ship Minerva at Bay of Islands. latter part breaking out oil and getting off recruits. So ends today.

Remarks.

Round the town all demolished and all the inhabitants gone to Auckland the Morians having had war with the English. the Charles was at anchor 7 m^{ts} and 100 spms. the English had 300 troops. Stationed on an island in the bay. Substantially 300 houses only about 20 m^{ts} landed. during our stay the Morians under Kowitli landed on Kowitli and had a war dance and feast in which peace was made with the English and Morians under Timothy Watkins.

The Edward came in the outer bay 7 m^{ts} out 300 Bkts.

From Feb 27th to March 30 employed in coopers getting off recruits and about.

March 15th

Did at Peka of Topsy on Cluck. Geo. Kelly Cooper 4th officer of Ship Minerva.

Shipped a cooper from the Edward and discharged one man to go aboard of the Edward.

