

Ship Montpelier on the East Coast of New Zealand, 1843

Friday March 10th

Commences with light airs and variables at 1 P.M. saw 2 or 3 Whales, some 1 and 2, without success at 7 P.M. finished stowing. Middle and latter part light air and calms at 8 A.M. saw one or 2 Whales, lower struck and killed, one ship in sight, ends with fine weather the Boats of fast to the Whales

Lat by Obs. 45.24. S. Long by Obs. 175.47. E



Saturday March 11th

Commences with a brisk breeze at N. at 9 past 1 P.M. took the Whale a long side and commenced cutting at 2 P.M. spoke the Bangaroo. Hois Dingles of New London, 12. 00 bbls 150. S. at sunset finished cutting, took in sail, set the Wack and commenced Boiling. Middle and latter part strong winds and variables ship standing on different tacks, saw several pinbacks, employed in boiling, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 45.24. S. Long by Obs. 175.21. E



Sunday March 12th

Commences with light winds and fine weather at 1 P.M. saw Blackfish, lower and got two, Middle and latter part strong winds and variables, ship heading to the N.E. saw Nothing. Employed in Boiling, thus ends

Monday March 13th

Commences with a gale at S.W. and rage. Employed in stowing down, at 4 finished Boiling, Middle and latter part much the same, ship heading to the S.E. saw Nothing. Employed in Bleaching Board, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 45.12. S.

Tuesday March 14th

Commences with strong winds at N. and, ragged steering S.E. Employed Stowing down, at 8 P.M. finished. Middle and latter part strong winds and variables at 9 A.M. spoke the Ship Innocent Boys. Longharbour 28. 00. 700 Sperm. 30. ends

Lat by Obs. 45.36. S. Long by Obs. 176.38. E

Ship Montpelier In The Pacific Bound to the North West Coast

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Wednesday March 15th

Commences with light winds at N. heading to the S. at 2 P.M. spoke the Ship Humilton. Hum. Longharbour 39. 00 bbls. 2. 00. 60. Sperm. Middle and latter part light winds and variables steered W.S.W. saw no Whales 3 Ships in sight. Employed in Ship's duty, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 45.33. S. Long by Obs. 176.03. E

Thursday March 16th

Commences with light airs and calms, at sunset shortened sail Middle and latter part strong winds at W.S.W. and equals of hail and rain at daylight made all prudent sail, steered per Compass N.E. saw one Ship. Employed in Ship's duty

Lat by Obs. 44.26. S. Long by Obs. 178.19. E

30 ends

Friday March 17th

Commences with strong winds at W.S.W. and equals all prudent sail set, steering per Compass N.E. Middle part much the same, latter part more moderate, all sail set, steering per Compass N.E. by N. saw Nothing. Employed in Ship's duty

Lat by Obs. 44.31. S. Long by Obs. 180.53. E

30 ends

Sunday March 18th

Commences with a brisk breeze at S.W. and for a while Middle part much the same, latter part strong winds and equals with rain steered all there 24 hours per Compass N.E. by N. saw Nothing. Employed in Ship's duty, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 40.46. S. Long by Obs. 183.23. E

Sunday March 19th

Commences with strong winds at S.W. and equals with rain all prudent sail set. Middle and latter part much the same steered per Compass N.E. by N. saw Nothing, thus ends

Lat by Obs. 38.36. S. Long by Obs. 185.51. E