

Ship Orion off the Coast of New Holland

130 May 3^d Remarks Saturday 15th

Commenced with strong breeze from the North accompanied with squalls Course East South East all prudent Sail set making the best of our way for Chatham Island

Middle part strong breeze and squally took in the Light Sail

Porter part wind increasing fast and sea doubled reefed the top sails and still hauling forward braced up the yards down tack and sheet flat approach East cleared away just long enough to get a

Lat 45° 45' South
Long 128° 38'

Remarks Sunday 16th

Commenced with strong breeze and thick squally weather Course East of South under double reef and out to the Northward and blowing on

Middle part much the same towards daylight the weather looks more mild turned the reef out fore and aft and set the main top Gallant sail and fly jib

Porter part wind to be better steering by the wind making an East by South Course no variation employed keeping the South

Lat 46° 25'
Long 132° 05'

Remarks Monday 17th

Commenced with moderate breeze from the N by East steering by the wind heading East by South all sails set at sunset came greatly doubled reefed fore and aft

Middle part took in the Jib and Mainsail

Porter part a severe squall rain wind still to be better steering by under all prudent Sail heading East by South all appearance of a blow no observation

Lat 47° 10' DR
Long 135° 00' DR

Steering towards the South Cape of New Zealand

131 May 4th Remarks Tuesday 18th 1847

First part of these 24 hours strong breeze from the N steering by the wind to the East all prudent Sail set at 5 P.M. wind increasing took in the Jib and main Sail at 7 all appearance of a gale took in the fore top Sail

Middle part strong breeze heading East under a double reef main top Sail and foresail at daylight let the fore top Sail

Porter part squalls and rain in abundance and no prospect of the land shifting thick weather and no light

Remarks Wednesday 19th 1847

First part of these 24 hours blowing a gale took in the fore top Sail fore top Sail and close reefed the main at 3 P.M. a sudden squall and the wind shifted to the West let the fore top Sail turned one reef out the main top Sail and kept off East by South a heavy sea running

Middle part strong squally wind shifted under a double reef main top Sail and fore sail

Porter part sea increasing let the fore top Sail to keep her away from the sea at noon fine weather saw a small squall near and then

Lat 47° 19' South
Long 141° 20' East

Remarks Thursday 20th

First part of these 24 hours strong gales and squally breeze from the Westward Course East of North at 2 P.M. let a whole Mainsail and main top Gallant Sail feeling anxious to get to New Zealand before this blow is over

Middle part gentle breeze from the Westward Course East of North at daylight

Porter part fine pleasant weather Course the same the first pleasant weather we have had this 6 weeks the watch employed narrowly to East

Lat 47° 25'
Long 145° 00'