

Steering towards the South Cape of New Zealand

September. Remarks Friday the 24th 1847

first part of the 24 hours blowing a gale from the South and West steering by to the South all sail set and
Middle part back breeze from the South Course South by East all sail set at daylight strong gale from the South West and the sea rising fast took in the Main top Gallant sail and Mizen top sail

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Latter part blowing heavy all appearance of a South weather at noon a gale from the South by East took in the Main top Gallant sail and Mizen top sail

Remarks Saturday the 25th 1847

first part at 10 hours blowing a gale from the South West and steering to the South under whole main top sail and 8 reef from top sail and fore sail at 3 P.M. wind shifted suddenly to South by East huffed the ship to the wind to her head took in the Main top sail and fore sail

Middle part moderating at daylight

Latter part Moderate breeze from the Westward Course South South East continued blowing a gale from the South by East we caught a few days ago, without the fore top sail and sent another one employed in repairing the other

Remarks Sunday the 26th

first part light air from the Westward Course East South East all sail set saw a number of finbacks at sunset huffed the ship to the wind heading S.W. by W.

Middle part moderate breeze at daylight made all sail set from the West Course East South East at 10 P.M. wind shifted suddenly to the South and blew a gale took in all sail save a close reef from top sail to East at noon blowing heavy

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Ship Omeca off the South Cape of New Zealand

September. Remarks Monday 27th 1847

first part blowing heavy from the South in evening two under a close reef Main top sail heading to the Westward at 4 P.M. were ship heading South East by South set the Mizen top sail fore Mizen and fore top Mast top sail

Middle part the gale abating fast at daylight made all sail and South West Course East in shelter to get rid of the land before night at 10 P.M. the land bearing East dist 16 miles cannot see for it being hazy
Latter part more squally and a hard swell from the South West at noon saw Cape West New Zealand bearing East dist 20 miles land under the top sail huffed to the wind heading South

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Remarks Tuesday 28th 1847

first part strong breeze from the South West and a heavy swell we steering by the South Cape West in shelter off the land under 3 miles at sunset close reefed the main and Mizen top sail took in the fore and fore top sail and set all our fore and aft sails Middle part strong breeze heading South by East at daylight at 10 P.M. wind shifted to the West and main top Gallant sail Course East South East at 10 P.M. blowing heavy from the West by West former South East at noon a hard swell from the South West running and Cape of New Zealand bearing East South East dist 20 miles huffed the ship to the wind heading South West by West under a close reef
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Remarks Wednesday 29th 1847

first part of the 24 hours blowing a hurricane from the West by West we under a close reef Main top sail heading South West a hard swell running at 4 P.M. took in the fore and fore top sail and set all our fore and aft sails Middle part blowing a hurricane heading South West by West at daylight at 10 P.M. wind shifted to the West and main top Gallant sail Course East South East at 10 P.M. blowing heavy from the West by West former South East at noon a hard swell from the South West running and Cape of New Zealand bearing East South East dist 20 miles huffed the ship to the wind heading South West by West under a close reef
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