

Steering towards Chatham Island? March, 1848

March, Friday the 10th 1848

first part of these 24 hours showing a gale from the West South West Course East to East at 4 P.M. heavy squalls took in main top. Gallant Sail Middle part of the 24 hours the same latter more moderate made all sail 173.13 Sail Course East to East and a heavy sea on

Saturday the 11th 1848

first part of these 24 hours strong breeze from the S.West. Course East to East all sail set. Middle part gentle breeze latter part 46.15 fresh breeze from East S.West Course East to East all sail 175.55 set employed repairing the Sparker.

Sunday the 12th

first part of these 24 hours strong breeze from South West Course East to East all sail set. Middle part fresh breeze at 7 A.M. saw three whales Latt 45.44 and five birds together lowered to boats. Spent time 178.57 in light whale and in shading of hooks on the line and so lost the whale took the boats at 1 and look for more.

Monday the 13th first part of these 24 hours moderate breeze from the South West steering by to the South East at 4 P.M. started off to East by East. Middle part Latt 45.04 fresh breeze from East S.West Course East to East Long 177.47 at 9 A.M. blowing very fresh from the S.West under a close reef main top sail heading to the East.

Tuesday the 14th 1848

first part of these 24 hours showing strong from West South West we layed too under a close reef main top sail to the boat at 10 A.M. started off to East by East until 12.5 and luffed too to the East under a close reef main top sail. Middle part more moderate at 5 A.M. started off to East by East under all sail at 8 A.M. saw Pyramid Rock leaving to East started away to East for the Sparker at 11 A.M. let go the small anchor in Flower Pot Bay Pitt Island 165.00 and South West and fresh breeze and cloudy weather

At Anchor at Flower Pot Bay Pitt Island Chatham Group

Wednesday the 15th 1848

first part of these 24 hours moderate breeze from S.West and West weather we layed at anchor at Pitt Island Flower Pot Bay employed in getting bread and vegetables at 12 noon had taken 3 last load of bread one of Potatoes Middle part fresh breeze from the West at daylight sent 2 boats on shore one for wood and one for Potatoes at 4 A.M. set underweigh made and sailed to the South West and let go the anchor and commenced heaving the ship to windward at noon had hauled the ship 3 lines to windward and let go the anchor in 15 fathoms sent 2 boats on shore for trade at 4 boat came off with 7 hogs and Potatoes at 5 P.M. got underweigh and stood to sea steering to the East at midnight passed Pitt Island at 8 A.M. sent 2 boats on fishing at noon boats returned loaded and ship steering to East

Thursday the 16th

Friday 17th first part moderate breeze from S.West Course S.West at sunset strong breeze from West bore ship to the Westward and started sail at daylight made sail and were ship to the East 46.00 Island bearing west dist 15 miles 180.00 saw porpoises and caught one

Friday the 17th 1848

Saturday 18th first part of these 24 hours strong breeze from the West steering by to the South East at 3 P.M. double reefed fore and aft at sunset have two under a close reef main top sail Middle part fresh breeze at daylight set double sail 45.00 reefs steering by to the South East and East and South East

Saturday the 18th

Sunday 19th first part fresh breeze from the South East under double to the Westward employed had 46.44 Hogg Middle part calm at 176.50 the Eastward made all sail

Monday the

first part Moderate breeze from at 1 P.M. saw Sparker 5 miles off called found them black fish and five ha. Then came out took the boat part luffed too to the East under daylight started S.West latter part the