

Thursday Jan 17th. Moderate winds from N. to N.E. and fine weather Steering on Diff. Courses to the Westward Lat. by Obs. $0^{\circ} 12' S.$ Long. by Chron. $174^{\circ} 25' E.$

Friday Jan. 18th. Commenced with fresh breezes from E. Steering to the S.E. by the wind at 2 P.M. made Sydney's Island bearing E. by S. by Compass, at 6 P.M. took in topgallant sails and fly jib and hoisted up the courses, moderate winds from N.E. the middle of the Island bearing N.E. 15 mi. Dis. by estimation, the highest part of the Island just in sight from the Ship's rail, made 3 hauls through the Night under the same sheet sail, in order to hold on, through the Night the weather fine and pleasant with a good Moon until about half past 2 Am. at 4 h. 40 min. Am. the Ship struck lightly on a reef of rocks 2 or 3 times and then stopped with her bows apparently shot up on a rock the times of her striking were so quick in succession that some said she struck only once, I was scarce asleep at the time but feeling the shock I sprung instantly to the Deck the Mate calling me at the same time, in passing the note on my forehead I discovered rocks under water on the Starboard side of the Ship, I immediately hauled all the yards and sails hard aback hauled down the courses at the same time, the Ship immediately commenced backing off and in the course of 8 or 10 mi. we were all clear of the reef and on the other tack no land in sight, passed over several rocks or rather what we called Rocks and no doubt they were while backing off and recovering Ship at 5 hauled up the courses and came to with the head yards aback, at 1/2 past 5 or Daylight saw the hut the middle of the Island bearing N.E. 12 mi. Dis. at 1/2 past 7 or 8 o'clock several Canoes came alongside which appeared to be fishermen and most likely had been fishing during the Night purchased as many fresh fish as I wanted and steered to the Southwestward I considered the Ship to be but a little damaged if any as she was going quite slow at the time she struck especially considering the pump immediately after we got clear and found her to be tight
Lat. by Obs. $0^{\circ} 54' S.$ Long. by Chron. $174^{\circ} 12' E.$

Saturday Jan. 19th. Begins with moderate winds from N.E. to N.W. and fair Steering W. by S. at 5 P.M. lowered the Boats for Green Whales at 1/2 past 6 took one Whale to the Ship, at 1/2 past 7 Am. commenced cutting at 9 finished, at Noon

Lat. by obs. $1^{\circ} 15' S.$ Long. by Chron. $173^{\circ} 38' E.$

Sunday Jan. 20th. At 3 P.M. commenced hauling the Whales at 7 Am. finished light trades and fine weather most of the time until 11 Am. heavy rain the remainder of the day

No obs. Lat. by acc. $1^{\circ} 00' S.$ Long. $172^{\circ} 20' E.$

Monday Jan. 21st. First part Winds from the westward with heavy squalls of Wind and abundance of Rain most of the time light winds and Calms, under Double reefs, latter part light variable winds and fair Steering on Different Courses under all sail Lat. by obs. $1^{\circ} 23' S.$ Long. by Chron. $172^{\circ} 19' E.$

Tues. Jan. 22nd. Light winds from the North and fair first part Steering on Different tacks by the wind latter part Steering to the Westward Lat. by Obs. $0^{\circ} 59' S.$ Long. by Chron. $171^{\circ} 38' E.$

Wednes. Jan 23rd. First part light winds from the North and fine weather Steering W. Middle part Calm, latter part moderate winds from the westward and equally with heavy rain, No obs. Lat. by acc. $0^{\circ} 50' S.$ Long. $171^{\circ} 15' E.$

Thurs. Jan. 24th. First part Light winds from the N.W. and equally with Rain latter Moderate Winds & Squally Steering to the W. & W. by the wind Lat. by Obs. $1^{\circ} 22' S.$ Long. by Chron. $170^{\circ} 20' E.$

Friday Jan 25th. Light winds from N. to N.W. and equally Steering on Diff. tacks by the wind under all sail but mostly to the Eastward strong current setting to the S. can't get to the Northward Lat. by Obs. $1^{\circ} 11' S.$ Long. by Chron. $170^{\circ} 32' E.$

Saturday Jan. 26th. Light winds from the Westward and equally with much rain, latter part 3 Ships in sight Lat. by obs. $0^{\circ} 47' S.$ Long. by Chron. $170^{\circ} 45' E.$

Sunday Jan. 27th. fresh breezes from N.W. to S.W. and equally with much Rain Steering on Diff. tacks by the wind but mostly to the Northward No obs. Lat. by acc. $0^{\circ} 40' S.$ Long. $170^{\circ} 15' E.$