

Remarks On Board the Bark Roscoe

Sunday July 2^d 1848

First part Small breezes from SE to E. Set Foretopmast & Main top galin Studingsails At 7 started SE At 10.00 SE At 12 which proved to be Cape Lady Grey which is 50 miles to N. of Enhamban Bay & made it calculation for a strong southerly current of 2 or 3 miles per hour but it was slack for I had not experienced over 15 miles southerly current these 24 hours I intended to stop at Enhamban Bay in hopes to find whales there but as I have a fair breeze & am 50 miles past I think the most surest way is to improve it & make the best of my way for Sofalla Bay ^{Enhamban} it is also come & passing & that of time is precious I have already lost one week by the strong southerly current & light winds Lat Obs 22.38

Monday 3^d

First part lively breezes from SSE started in the South of Cape Lady Grey past about 14 mile from the Cape so as to have a look in the site but saw nothing in the shape of a whale At 1.30 started NE NW with all sail Set At 7.00 SE At 10.00 SE At 6.00 North At 9.30 NW NW Strong breezes the most of the night later fresh in the morning Cape Barroete was out of sight Lat Obs 20.50 Long At 2.30 PM 35.13

Tuesday 4th

These 24 hours Commence with fresh breezes from SSE flying clouds started NW NW At 1.30 NW NW All Lands Eup in clearing & getting the anchors off the bows ready to let go halled up all of the Lamb Chain & Mastered the length it is 105 fathoms I also had it bent & run down 35 fathoms of it again Note the above Chain is marked as follows the first 3 Shackells air 15 fath each then comes the other Chain the first Shackell is 10 fath & the rest or there ^{10 fath} above 105 fath At 3 P.M. raised Inverarishta Shoale Bearing NW NW Dist 5 miles At 3.30 saw the land At 5.20 tacked ship off shore to EWS North point of Chulawan Island bearing West Dist 8 miles At 4 P.M. took in Studingsails & the sails & Booms down & stowed them over the stern & the sails rigging below At 5 P.M. tacked off shore to EWS Chulawan Island 6 miles Dist stood off & on during the night At 7.00 raised the land At 10 saw a Rite Whale about 4 miles off shore lowered 2 Boats But could not get past these 24 hours Ends with a strong breeze from South some squally Wedns 5th Rite Franklin Commenced on Pills

Commences squally At 1.30 the Boats came on Board At 3 Small ships from South came to Anchor in 14 fath water with the Small Anchor weighing about 1700 lbs & 80 fathoms Chain paid the sails A considerable swell from SE Strong breezes during the night & part of the later part At 6.00 anchored & divided the night into 6 watches Boatstern ship keeper Cooper & Antonio Manuette headed the watches with 2 men with each one At 9.00 took the Anchor made sail & made short tacks to the Southward so Ends & No whales the Centre of the Island bearing NW Dist 3 miles the Shoale to the N. or N. 1 mile

At Sofalla Bay for Rite Whales

Thursday July 6th 1848

All these 24 hours the wind from SE to SSE & mostly light At 5 P.M. came to Anchor in 14 fath water North point of the Island bearing NWS the Shoale to the Westward 2 miles Dist later sent 2 Boats off to look for Whales to Southward Note Mr Smith Crocker & Newton air on duty Kenney is nearly well Hamblin is on the sick list

Friday 7th

First part Small breezes from Southward & Calm At 5 the boats came on board Middle & later Small breezes from South westward later 2 Boats off Cruising for Whales

Saturday 8th

All these 24 hours light breezes from South & Westward & Calms 2 Boats off Cruising the Mast heads well Mand & C But No whales made their Appearance

Sunday 9th

All these 24 hours Small breezes from Eastward Clear & very fine At 6 P.M. t. Brig Anchored to NW 4 miles Dist She had no top galin masts Hoist At Daylight in the morning she was just in sight in the offing Sent No Boats out on Sunday

Monday 10th

All these 24 hours light breezes from Eastward fine weather later 2 Boats off

Note

To Cut Short A Dull space of time or rather it has proved so to me I wind up the whole of my stay in this Bay by saying that during my stay I have seen but 2 Whales one on the 4th & the other on the 16th but did not succeed in taking either the weather has been very light since my stay had Calm & nearly so the most of the time had may be a strong breeze for 2 or 3 days in a week I think they would of been more whales in I have been sick the most of the time but thanks be to God I now am quite small I consider the chance small hear for whales & so consequently I am off to look up another hump Back whales

Note the Chronometer gives the Long About 10 miles to far West by several observations