

20th Squally weather. Light wind. Commenced to paint our lower masts, but were obliged to quit on account of the rain. At two P.M. Underberry island, one of the Phoenix Group, was raised from the mast-head. At 4 o'clock it was in sight from the deck. It is a long, low, sandy island, with a few bushes on it, and is uninhabited. It lies in the latitude of 3.08 S. and in west longitude 171.13. At sunset we furled the topgallant sails reefed topsails, and hauled on the winch, heading S. by E.

21st Fine weather - light wind. Squared the yards and made sail at sunrise, steering W. S. W. To-day we painted our lower masts, rail, &c., and varnished the martingale staff, and gave a second coat to the stanchions on the main deck. Also painted the old boat we repaired on the passage from New Zealand to the line. Braced round at 4 P.M., heading N. W. by N. Lat. 4.10 S., long. 171.45 W.

22d Fair weather, light wind. Course N. W. by N. We sorted over a lot of potatoes after breakfast, and had the rest of the day to do what we pleased, such as mending, washing, &c. Lat. 3.13 S., long. 173.03 W.

23d Sunday. Squally. Course W. N. W. 10 o'clock N. N. W. Lat. 2.15 S., long. 175.07 W.

24th Fine weather. Single reefed topsails. Done a little painting, and some work in the rigging. Lat. 15m. S., long. 176.10 W. At 3 P.M. raised New Nantucket.

25th Light wind. Wore ship and made sail at sunrise, heading S. S. W. After breakfast we sent down the foresail, spread it out in the waist, and the watch turned to, mending it. Squared the yards at noon and kept off S. W. by W. Lat. 6m. S., long. 177.25 W.

26th Light wind, with squalls. Course S. W. by W. Finishing the foresail, and bent and set it at 2 P.M. Lat. 1 S., long. 179.38 W. Furled topgallant sails and reefed topsails at sunset. Frequent squalls, with rain, during the night.

27th Light wind. Unbent the jib and mended it this forenoon, and bent it after dinner. Set up the bobstays and bowsprit guys. Course S. W. by W. Lat. 1.45 S., long. 178.11 E. Shortened sail at sunset. A sharp lookout for land.

28th Light wind. Course S. W. by W. Made sail. All hands breaking out the hold, to shift water. About 11 P.M. we had a genuine line shower.