

Ship William Hamilton in the Pacific September 1838

October 1838

Monday Oct the 1<sup>st</sup>

Commences with moderate breeze from the S.W. Middle part calm latter part wind from the S.W. heading N.E. & thick weather

Lat. 38.30 Long. 166.50

Tuesday Oct the 2<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with moderate breeze from the S.W. & thick weather Middle part the same latter part heavy breeze from S.W. & course S.E. saw a sail standing to the S.W. at 3 P.M. double reefed the top sail & furled the main sail

Lat. 37.44 Long. 170.37

Wednesday Oct the 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with fresh breeze from the S.W. Middle part the same at 4 P.M. hauled up the top sail & set the top gall sail latter part wind from the S.W. at 10 P.M. saw the island of New Zealand Course variable

Lat. 34.46 Long. 173.03

Thursday Oct the 4<sup>th</sup>

Commences with fresh breeze from the S.W. Middle & latter part the same at 11 P.M. Came at anchor in the Bay of Islands Carried away the main top Sail & parted 4 Ships at anchor 3 Whalers 1 French 3 American & 1 French Schooner at anchor bound for the Chatham Islands to kill the whales pleasant weather & clearing eyes So ends these 24 hours

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Friday Oct the 2<sup>nd</sup> 1838

Commences with light air & fog at daylight took the anchor & went to Sea Middle & latter part pleasant heading to the Eastward with strong fresh breeze More & Clear of the Bay of Islands leaving 1 French Union of war English 1 French & American Whalers...

Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with light winds from the S.W. & course S.E. Saw a number of hump backs Lat. 35.16

Sunday Nov the 4<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light breezes from the S.W. Course S.E. Middle & latter part wind from the S.E. heading N.E. So ends Lat. 34.26 Long. 172.15 East

Monday Nov the 5<sup>th</sup>

Commences with fresh breeze from the S.E. Middle part the same at 3 P.M. took in the Gull Main Sail & double reefed the top Sail of S.E. sail heading S.E. weather hazy. So ends this day

Tuesday Nov the 6<sup>th</sup>

Commences with fresh breezes from the East & hazy Saw hump backs at 5 P.M. & saw the land & took ship to anchor at 5 P.M. took ship wind from the S.E. Course S.E. & saw Cape Horn in sight to the leeward saw a number of hump backs Lat. 37.46 Long