

Remarks on board of the Ship William Hamilton, Bound for the Bay of Islands

Saturday Nov. the 22nd 1842
Commenced with strong breezes from the S.W. steering W. by N. Middle & latter part light breezes all around the compass barbed in sight. saw 2 french men of War so Ends. Lat. 36. 17 N.

Sunday Nov. the 23rd
Commenced with light air & variable the french ship in sight wind from S.W. heading S.E. Loggan sent a boat on board of the Man of War Middle & latter strong breezes from the W. heading S.W. by N at 11 took in the top gall, sails so Ends. Lat. 36. 21 N.

Monday Nov. the 24th
Commenced with strong breezes from the W. heading S.W. by N at 11 double reefed the top, sails, at 3 the french ship talked to J. Middle part in company latter came on board with a boat & agreed to hook in company to the Bay of Islands at 12. Mr. Tucker ship to the S.W. so Ends. Lat. 36. 36 N. Long. 17. 31 W.

Tuesday Nov. the 25th
Commenced with light breezes from the W. heading S.W. with all sail at the french ship in company Middle part fresh breezes from the S.W. heading W. by N. latter strong gales took in the top gallant sails & top spanker & double reefed the top, sails so Ends. Lat. 35. 29 N. Long. 17. 14 W.

Wednesday, December the 1st
Commenced with strong gales from the S.W. heading W. by N. under double reefed top sails with squalls of rain at 4 set the gallant spanker. The Man in company Middle part heading S.W. by N at 11 saw the Barrier Is. the Entrance of the River St. Pierre New Zealand latter light breezes from the S.W. steering W. by N. so Ends. Lat. 36. 09 N.

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Thursday Dec. the 2nd
Commenced with light breezes from the S.W. steering W. by N. land in sight the Man in company with all sail set at 11 saw the french ship at 11. S. at 11 saw Cape Horn so Ends steering for the Cape. Lat. 35. 11 N. Long. 17. 55 W.

Friday Dec. the 3rd
Commenced with strong breezes from the S.W. steering for the Cape at 11. S. at 11. J. M. J. at the Man in company at 4 put the ahead for leaving the ship at 9 anchored in the Bay of Islands in three fathoms water muddy bottom. The American Consul on board, 2 English Whaler ships lying at anchor. Frigate & 2 boats of London & several small vessels at 12. Called & surveyed the pumps & found the ship to be leaking 1700 strokes per hour, & Drained at 12. Conclusion the ship must be discharged & home sent for repairs so Ends.

Saturday, February the 23rd 1842.
Commenced with strong gales from the S. at 3. S.W. top, the Anchor & went to sea steering S. Middle part double reefed the top, sails & took in the top gallant & top spanker & double reefed the top, sails so Ends. Lat. 35. 30 N. Long. 17. 31 W.

Sunday, Dec. the 24th
Commenced with strong breezes from the S.W. steering S. Middle part S.E. took in the fore & main top gall, sails & fly & latter more moderate set the same heading S.W. so Ends. Lat. 36. 50 N.

Monday, Dec. the 25th
Commenced with moderate breezes from S.W. heading S. the water employed in ships duty latter part wind S.E. heading S.W. so Ends. Lat. 36. 24 N. Long. 18. 02 W.

Tuesday, Feb. the 26th
Commenced with moderate breezes from the S.W. heading S.W. by N. Middle part S. took in the top gall, sails latter strong gales took in the top gallant & double reefed the top, sails so Ends. Lat. 33. 15 N. Long. 17. 48 W.

Farwell to the Bay of Islands we are now home ward bound. If God please we have no shall come at Home.