

1846 Journal of Whaler Ship M^r Thompson

Friday March 15th

Fresh hams and Squabs
Departing to the Eastward at 10 P.M. finished
boiling in all 80 Bbs at 8 o'clock
More Whales and towing for them at 12
boats still in chase of the Whales

Lat by Obs 21.18 N

Long Chr 157.02

Saturday 16th

Fine weather with
heavy sea on at 3 P.M. took a 20 lbs Whale
to the ship at 6 finished cutting and made
sail at daylight commenced towing at
noon East Point of Morotoi South
40 Miles

Lat by Obs 21.52 N
Long by Chr 156.42 W

Sunday 17th

Moderate heavy rain
spent the day heading to the E.S.E. finished
boiling in all 24 lbs Saw two Ships Steaming West
Great swell from East West Lat by Obs 21.31 N
Long by Chr 156.02 W

Monday 18th

Fine weather through
out the day. Steamed down one oil in all 50 Bbs
Making below on Board 634 lbs Cleared up deck
Lat by Obs 21.17 N
Long by Chr 156.23 W

Tuesday 19th

Today landed some
the North side of Morotoi at 4 P.M. came
to anchor in Lagoon Roads in 17 fathoms
of water at 5 P.M. went on shore found
30 Ships lying here all Whales Borne
for the Whaler Court. The vessel and
thirteen all hands employed cutting up
casks for water pump for ship and
in the course of the week got off a part
of the water, when the boat stays at
Morotoi 25 got off our water and now
at Tuesday got off some Potatoes painted
the ship and on Saturday following got
newly ready for sea D/Ena the ship

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Monday April 1st

Getting ready for sea got off 40 Bbs
of fresh Potatoes sent to the top Gallant
Yards Tuesday and Wednesday were
employed as on the preceding day (Carriage)
Joseph Parke, James Boulden and Victor
Pukel and Shippell Charles White, Sam
Putmer, Isaac George, Marcus Farrington
Elihu Crocker and two natives from
shore

Tuesday April 2nd

At daylight got
under weigh with a light land breeze
in company with ship Paladium of
New London at 10 A.M. took the whales
at 12 Middle part of Morotoi north 20
Miles

Wednesday April 3rd

At 3 P.M. made
Cahua bearing West by North at 12 Midnight
shore to and lay until daylight at 8 A.M.
Went on shore Shippell two natives
afternoon returned to the ship

Thursday April 4th

At 6 P.M. kept off M.S.W.
to clear Barber Point. Saw Boulden to
the North Court in good earnest
at 12 hauled up West West at daylight
at 10 A.M. made at 10 right
ahead

Lat by Obs 21.55 N
Long by Chr 159.00 W

Friday 5th

Beautiful weather
Went on shore at Atoor in a fine Bay
on the North side of the Island and
in the course of the day procured 12 Hogs
de, ut. Called on Capt. Bernice who by the way
is engaged here planting coffee. He tells
me that he thinks in five years to export
150 tons. all I can say is God help him