

Journal

Thursday 1 June 1843

Clear pleasant weather and a light breeze from the South the Carisfort sailed to day for a cruise round the Islands got vituals from the fort to day pass away the time very dull to day reading and smoking also take a swim to drive away the time

Friday 2 June 1843

Beautiful clear weather and light breezes from the South got vituals from the fort to day pass away the time reading I begin to feel very inclined and dull and never speak a word for days to any one the Rev Mr Dayman visited the prisoners today

Saturday 3 June

Clear weather and a strong breeze from the South East one American ship came to anchor off the Harbour yesterday bringing dates to January she sailed to night before dusk got vituals from the fort to day

Sunday 4 June

Beautiful clear weather and pleasant breeze got vituals from the fort to day was visited by Mr Gilman to day. It is very hard to think that I am so close confined and other prisoners can get out side to the town for the whole day long and then in for theft and for nearly killing a man with a knife and imprisoned for hard labour but Lord George Pelt is trying his worst with me I believe

Monday 5 June

Cloudy for the most part to day five prisoners put in the fort yesterday from the Gaol at Mowea for running away from ships and two for stealing a watch and money got vituals from the fort to day

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Tuesday 6 June 1843

Clear weather and moderate breezes from the South got regular vituals from the fort to day and was visited by a Capt Peas who once sailed out of Saint John employ the dull time reading

Wednesday 7 June

Beautiful weather get nothing but tarra to day and pass away the time very dull and kept awake to a late hour at night there is 18 prisoner women in any room and they keep such a clattering that it is impossible to sleep however they are all very civil and steal nothing as yet from me

Thursday 8 June

Clear pleasant weather and a light breeze from the North East got three good meals vituals to day pass away the time reading it is shocking dull to have no one to speak to or hear what news is stirring about the world

Friday 9 June

Bluster g weather and a shocking quantity of dust flying about so that it is impossible to stir out side got three good meals to day from the fort I feel so dull to day that I cannot content myself to read ten minutes at a time

Saturday 10 June

Pleasant weather and light breezes got no vituals from the fort to day pass away the time reading the life of Napoleon Bonapart

Sunday 11 June

Pleasant weather and moderate breezes got no vituals from the fort to day pass away the time reading