

Journal of a Whaling Voyage Kept on board

Monday April 25^{inst} 1842

Light winds from the ESE with some rain steering N by E under all sail Sat 4:10 Long 178° 28' 50" Ends

Tuesday April 26^{inst}

Light winds from the Eastward steering by the wind to the Northward at 3 PM raised the land of Poysters Islands being 17 in number bearing WNW Painted the Starboard side of the ship Sat 8:22 Long 178° 30'

Wednesday April 27^{inst}

Light winds from the Northward with frequent squalls of rain steering by the wind to the Westward Island in sight Kitted 3 Hogs Sat 7:35 Long 178° 26'

Thursday April 28^{inst}

Light winds from the Northward with rain steering by the wind Painted the Bow Boat Sat by Obs 07:13 Long by Chro 178° 00'

Friday April 29^{inst}

Light winds from the Northward steering by the wind Painted the Starboard boat Sat by Obs 06:55 South Long 178° 35' East

Saturday April 30^{inst}

Light winds from the Eastward steering N by E under all sail Painted the Starboard and West Boats Kitted 3 Hogs Sat 6:30 Long 178° 20' East

Sunday May 1^{inst} 1842

Light winds from the Eastward steering N by E nothing Sat 4:30 Long 178° 10'

Ship Shanon of Fair Haven Bound towards the line

Monday May 2^{inst} 1842

Light winds from the N by E steering by the wind Under the Main topsail Mended and drenched again Sat by Obs 3:35 Long by Chro 177° 30' 50" Ends

Tuesday May 3^{inst}

A light breeze from the N by E steering by the wind At day light raised a sail at 6 AM raised the land Hope Island bearing N by E and beat up to it and some Canoes came off bringing a few mats to trade for tobacco at noon kept her on the wind to the Northward Shipped 2 of the natives Sat 2:42 Long 177°

Wednesday May 4

Light winds from the N by E steering by the wind to the Westward until day light when we tacked Ship Sat by Obs 01:31 Long by Chro 176° 31' 50" Ends

Thursday May 5

Light winds from the N by E steering by the wind to the Eastward until 11 last night when we tacked at 7 AM raised the land of Barons Islands ahead and ran down past it and about 100 Canoes started for us some of them came along side bringing a few Coconuts and mats to trade for tobacco It is a low sandy Island bearing nothing but Coconut trees Sat 1:25 Long 176° 30'

Friday May 6

Light winds from the Eastward steering from N to the Westward Mended the Main topsail at 3 PM Saw sperm whales and lowered for them but it was late we did not get them Chopped some beef at 1 PM