

Journal of a Whaling Voyage kept on board ship

Monday April 11th 1842

Light winds and calms Lying at anchor At 7 AM get off a boat load of wood and stowed it away. The starboard watch went on shore on liberty and 9 of them deserted. Killed 3 Pigs so ends

Tuesday April 12

Pleasant weather get off a boat load of wood at 11 AM the natives brought off 1 of our men for which they received a piece of cloth

Wednesday April 13

Light winds and pleasant weather get off a boat load of wood and stowed it away 1 of our men that deserted on Sunday swim on board. Killed 1 pig

Thursday April 14

Pleasant weather get off a boat load of wood and stowed it away. Killed the bins. Killed 1 Pig so ends

Friday April 15

Fine weather get off a load of wood and stowed it away sent a raft of casks on shore to fill with water the natives brought off 1 brother of our men and received a piece of cloth

Saturday April 16

Pleasant weather and light breezes from the Eastward get off a boat load of wood and 7 Pigs. The Onyx took her anchor and put to sea

Sunday April 17

A stiff breeze from the Northward Lying at anchor all hands at leisure. Killed 2 Pigs

Sharon Capt Morris Lying at anchor at the Island, Pitmanah

Monday April 18th 1842

These 24 hours variable winds and squalls or rain Lying at anchor. Got off 7 casks of water and 3 loads of wood At 4 PM killed 2 pigs so ends

Tuesday April 19

These 24 hours variable winds and calms got 1 Boat load of wood and 300 Yams. Killed 2 pigs so ends

Wednesday April 20

These 24 hours light winds at 6 AM weighed anchor at 9 the Main Boat went on shore and brought 200 Yams. Sent up our Bogal masts and 10 gallant yards. Shipped 2 White men and 3 natives, showed our anchor and cables and started for our Whaling ground on the Equator Pitmanah bearing West at Sunset

Thursday April 21

These 24 hours pleasant breezes from the ESE to NE steering by the wind. Employed in stowing away Yams and clearing up Decks. Lat 11:43 Long unknown so ends

Friday April 22

These 24 hours light breeze from the Eastward steering by the wind. Tacked Ship & painted the Starboard side of the Ship at 3 PM. Chase boat's crew. Lat by Obs 11:10 Long by Chron 171:35 so ends

Saturday April 23

Light winds from the ESE steering by the wind

Sunday April 24

Light winds from the ESE steering by the wind
Lat by Obs 11:10 Long by Chron 171:35