

Remarks on Board Barque Brighton 1857

Sunday 3rd May 1857

This day commences fine weather employed stowing down water canvas the Channel Bunting then and getting 7th Potatoes brought this tons on Board and two Tigs sent a Boat on shore at half past seven for Capt Tucker two men dished one dinner and one Boatman and one Boat stung got off while the officers were at supper. This morning at seven sent three men in two One Boatman and two Oarsmen all cruised that the Capt shipped in the Bay of Islands last April Capt Tucker got the Captain to come and stand watch all night

Monday 4th May

Commenced fine lat part employed getting Wood at half past four A.M. the Narragansett commenced to drag her anchor she got clear in so that her hudds touched but soon got her off a gain we let go our 2nd anchor but did not drag

Tuesday 5th May

This day commences fine employed getting Wood finished at four we got 3rd Corded discharged three natives of New Zealand lat part got a few onions

Wednesday 6th May

This day commences fine weather getting things to sail waiting for a wind to get out Middle and lat part nothing doing Wind still a head got the oil ready to start on shore for the Cruisers

Thursday 7th May

This day commences fine weather wind still a head all hands at daylight and got under way at half past seven wind very light in company with the ship Narragansett of Nantucket had to take the Boat and two

Capt. Henry Z. Tucker

Friday 8th May 1857

This day commences fine weather and Nine Breezy from N.W. steering by the Wind heading S.E. by S. employed lashing the Anchors and stowing down the Cables we came out Nine men left then we went in discharged Six and lost three by desertion Middle and lat part Breezy a Gale from the South and Westward at half past three took in every thing but double reefed Main Topsail and storm sails ship labouring heavily Gales moderately increasing

Saturday 9th May

This day commences with a Gale from the South and Westward and heavy Sea laying by the Wind heading S.E. at four P.M. Now ship to the N.W. every short time we have a squall of Wind and Rain at half past seven set the fore Topsail double reefed at half past twelve A.M. kept her off N.W. by N till day light to clear North Cape of New Zealand at eight shook the reefs out of the Topsail and set the Main sail Clew set the Main Top Gallant and Gaff Topsail and Fly set heading S.W. by W.

Sunday 10th May

This day commences with a strong Breeze from N.W. steering by the Wind to the North and Westward commences standing Mast breaks this morning a gain nothing in sight this evening Weather looks fine we are now Bound to Sydney to repair the ship and get some more hands we can now only lower two Boats by taking one of the Seamen to take one Middle part wind blowing at five A.M. now ship to the South and Westward at Nine took in the light sails Breeze strong and heavy with ship working badly in heavy weather and the latter gradually increasing

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