

Wednesday July 16th 1854

Strong breeze from the E by S ship on the wind heading NE by N. weather very squally. at dark shortened sail and wore ship as we was affraid of a reef men employed mending upper for top sail saw hump backs no observation

Lat-22.42

Thursday July 17th

Long 171.23

This day strong breeze from the E ship steering N by E & E. weather squally saw one sail going the same as ourselves called it a merchant. bark nothing else been seen so ends.

Lat-20.30

Friday July 18th

Long 170.34

Strong breeze from the E. ship on the wind heading NNE. weather squally and muggy, saw one sail. right ahead call it a whaleship today put out the patent log at noon, nothing to write of any account so ends.

Lat-19.51

Saturday July 19th

Long 170.13

Strong breeze from the NE by E ship stood on opposite tacks during the day, saw fin backs so ends.

Lat-19.36

Sunday July 20th

Long 170.6

Good breeze from the NE ship on the wind heading to the NNE. about 12 o'clock raised the land four points on the weather low. weather quite thick saw one hump back so ends.

Lat-19.20

Monday July 21st

Long 170.2

Very light breeze from the E ship trying to work up to the land which is to the windward two canoes came off just at dark wind very light

Tuesday July 22nd 1854

Strong breeze and squally weather wind from the SE. ship laying off and on at Savage island could not land it was so suggest canoes come off to the boats with their stuff brought-broom stuff, yams, coconuts, bananas, oranges, hogs &c, also got three men to go to sea at dark kept off on the wind heading SM.

Lat-19.26

Wednesday July 23rd

Long 171.38

Strong breeze from the S by E ship on the wind heading SM by N. weather clear, men employed on the broom stuff nothing been seen to day, broke out the stop cask and supplied the new men with clothes so ends.

Lat-19.37

Thursday July 24th

Long 170.56

Strong breeze from the S by E ship stood on opposite tacks, men to work on the broom stuff nothing been seen so ends.

Lat-20.11

Friday July 25th

Long 171.50

Good breeze from the SE ship steering SSM. weather clear, men employed generally well. told nothing been seen today so ends.

Lat-21.33

Saturday July 26th

Long 172.39

Good breeze from the NE ship steering SN by N. men employed mending mizzen top sail and rattling down the main rigging saw several fin backs, nothing new to write