

Proceed on board the Ship James Stewart
Monday 28 Nov 1842

and ships in seas afterwards split the main
top sail through the night heavy rain through
the night Lat 26° North Long $175^{\circ}42'$ West

Tuesday 29 Nov 1842

The gale still continues at its full height until
about 10 AM when it moderated away a
little and the wind came in gusts at intervals
succeeded by light showers of rain at day light
set the topsails double reefed fore sail and
jib the winds fell away but still a tremen-
dous sea running at 6 AM send down the
main top sail and send another pumped
Ship of two feet water Lat $26^{\circ}20'$ Long $176^{\circ}5'$ West
heading North wind ENE a little easterly

Wednesday 30 Nov 1842

Clear weather for the most part light airs
and calms the watch employed mending a
fore top mast stay sail Lat $26^{\circ}57'$ North Long $176^{\circ}30'$

Thursday 1st December 1842

Calms throughout with a heavy swell
setting to the S W the watch variously employ-
ed in ships duty Lat $26^{\circ}55'$ North Long

Friday 2d December 1842

Light variable airs and clear pleasant weath-
er heading N by E Lat $28^{\circ}5'$ North Long $176^{\circ}2'$ West
at day light passed the south end of a reef by the
name of Peck Clarke reef and run along it for 50 m
dist from the breakers between three and four miles

Saturday 3 Dec 1842

Cloudy and much rain first part strong
breezes but variable middle part the wind shift-
ed to west and blew a strong gale which in

On a whaling voyage to the Pacific Ocean
Friday 16 Dec 1842

First part squally and variable winds
from South to West N W at 6 AM it settled
to W N W and blows fresh increases throughout
the night Lat $23^{\circ}28'$ North Long $155^{\circ}30'45''$ West

Saturday 17 Dec 1842

Clear weather and a brisk gale from the West
large sea running Steering S S W running
at a rate of eight knots an hour at daylight
in the land Bearing South they compass
proved to be ~~erroneous~~ shifted our course for the
Island of Wahoo Lat $21^{\circ}29'$ North Long $157^{\circ}6'$ West
By Choo

Sunday 18 Dec 1842

Strong gales and clear weather Steering
W S W by compass for Wahoo and raised the
Island at 2 AM the wind N N E at 6 AM
took in the fore top mast standing sail at 6h 30m
took in the fore and main top gale sails 6h 40m
in the main sail and fore sail sounding bottom
ten fathom sounding 20m after bottom nine fathom
haul the main yard a back and sound again bottom
four fathom bottom four bottom three & bottom
three square the yards and stand off shore clear
moon light at seven h and ten minutes the ship
struck and held fast for about ten minutes orders
was given to clue up the top sails which was not
obeyed immediately neither by men nor the third
mate all ran for their chests and left the ship
striking pretty heavy at 7h 30m the ship went
off again sounded the well and found 20 inches
water in the hold pumped her out and pumped
again 20m after hardly any water I was firing guns