

Ship Columbia About the Friendly Islands.

Wednesday March 29th 1848

Commenced with a brisk trade at East working up for Reppel's Island half past 4 left the ship with 2 boats and pulled in to see what there was to be had at 7 returned again brought off the Tunny and 2 other Natives middle part squally rainy weather off 8 on at 7 went on shore with 2 boats to trade for Hogs and fowls latter part fine pleasant weather took off 3 boat loads.

Thursday March 30th 1848 Commenced

with a fine trade at East and pleasant weather at 4 P.M. took up the boats left off N.W. by N made all sail brought at this Island 22 Hogs 500 fowls and a few Bananas middle part some squally latter part pleasant wind from N.E. steering by the wind so ends.

Lat by Chron 14° 22' Long by Chron 175° 02'

Friday March 31st 1848 Commenced

with a moderate breeze from the Eastward with fair weather steering S.W. by N middle part wind and weather much the same steering S.W. at half past 5 P.M. made the land British Islands leaving that left off for it latter part very moderate one ship in sight evening down for the harbor so ends.

Lat by Chron 13° 59' South.

Saturday April 1st 1848 Commenced

with a moderate breeze from the N.E. at 2 P.M. a canoe came off to us reported that the harbor was on the opposite side the South at 6 P.M. spoke the ship Marscha of Van Duzend 4 months out 130 fowls middle part moderate breeze from East to North latter part light baffling wind and calm bent the chains put one anchor off the ship off the harbor so ends.

Sunday April 2nd 1848

Commenced with light baffling wind and rain no prospect of getting in middle part squally raining brought the ship down to double reefs at 1 P.M. made all sail with a moderate breeze from the North at 11 hauled back off the harbor about 2 miles from the shore at 12 went in to examine the harbor so ends.

Ship Columbia in the South Pacific Ocean.

Monday April 3rd Commenced

with light baffling winds with some rain at 2 P.M. the boat returned from the shore found the harbor to be a very good one after getting through the passage which will want a leading wind to do as the passage is very narrow middle part thick rainy weather and wind baffling with a heavy swell from the N.W. which drove us 12 or 15 miles from the Island through the night. latter part a brisk wind from N.W. to N.E. made 2 tacks to work up to the Island at 12 the prospect looked so plain for a chance to get in gave it up and tacked to the Eastward for Upolu so ends Lat 13° 33' South

Tuesday April 4th 1848 All these

24 hours with wind from N.W. with cloudy weather latter part two reefs in the ship sails so ends Lat by Chron 14° 19' Long 174° 05'

Wednesday April 5th 1848

Commenced with a moderate gale from South steering by the wind with the larboard tack aboard so ends in the ship sails at midnight we got up under the lee of Savaii the wind died away at the reefs put at day light saw the Island bearing South at 4 the wind backed on again southerly for at 12 it moderated again let the reefs out of the N.E. set the main S.E. and fly jib Lat 14° 11' S Upolu about 10 miles from us

Thursday April 6th 1848 Commenced

with a brisk wind from the N.W. with cloudy weather at 2 P.M. took in the N.E. S and fly jib at 3 passed the two small Islands off the S.E. end of Upolu saw a Hermaphrodite thrig steering to the S.E. at 5 saw another standing in towards Upolu middle part squally with rain under short sail latter part wind from the N.W. with thick weather ship under double reefed sails, Breeze fell & Spar two one of the above mentioned vessels in company by appearances bound to Upolu the Island in sight the East end bearing N by South so ends No Observations.