

48 Remarks on Board Friday October 11th 1833.

Commenced with moderate breeze from the land the ship heaving on shore lying Reputation Bay which is small and not deep but safe. of the wind is generally off the land the regular trade wind a fine place for recruiting a ship as there is plenty of Wood & Water & Hoop which are very cheap for powder or Musket Powder plenty of sweet Potatoes and as good as I ever have seen in any part of the world the Water & Hoops are very cheap to be obtained as the former runs continually from a hole in a Rock on the beach and the Natives are very anxious to work for you in getting water carrying Wood & all other kinds of Wares to be on board. 100 lbs. water for one day.

Saturday Oct 12th 1833. Commenced with a moderate breeze from the land this morning had a visit from the King & Queen of the Place the King is a fine looking man of about 40 years old very large about 6 feet high and I should suppose he would weigh 200 lbs. his body was fine looking and 20 years old and tall and very handsome indeed I never saw from then it was considered by them as a fine piece of cloth in the Kingdom. I had an invitation from his Majesty to come on shore and sleep at his house but declined. we have found them thus far very friendly in all matters the ship being continually filled with them of both sexes more especially women who are great Prostitutes indeed half of the men on Liberty on shore the remainder employed in getting in Wood & Water had a considerable trade with the Natives for Hoop and Vegetables took in 100 lbs of Water and 2 Boats loads of Wood found on shore to be the King found his house tolerably good much better than I expected and thatched and matted in part. Saw some corn growing with a few Plantains and an abundance of Cocoa Nuts and Bread fruit which is the chief of their living. it is rooted in the ground and then pounded in a stone until it is broken together like dough I should suppose it very good food after a person became used to it. I observed the men & women never eat together nor even cook for each other nor get drink from the same thing.

Sunday October 13th 1833. Begins with fine weather winds from the land 8 8 AM hoist up the Anchor and worked further into the Bay the ship having started her anchor at 10 came to in 16 fathoms water at least of the village house fairly bottom. half of the Crew went ashore on liberty to refresh themselves. I went myself on another visit to his Majesty found him very pleasant and agreeable as far as one could understand they offered me some Cocoa nuts of which they eat an abundance at sight all hands returned from shore.

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Commenced with moderate winds of the land with frequent showers rain employed in getting wood and water half of the Crew on liberty working with the Natives for vegetables and Hoop of which there has been a fine to day even fine weather and moderate wind from the land.

Tuesday October 15th 1833 Begins with light breeze from the land put two boats to a small Bay on the east side of the Island for Potatoes at 2 PM the boats returned with 50 bush of fine sweet Potatoes as never seen in my life in some water. I went on shore to pay another visit to his Majesty. Wednesday October 16th 1833 Commenced with moderate winds from the land employed in getting wood and regaller and working with the Natives and half of the ship Company on shore on Liberty this day the ship has been overrun with the Natives of both sexes and this day received.

Wednesday October 17th 1833 Begins with light breeze inclining to calm employed in getting wood 8 9 AM the wind began to blow into the Bay at 11 wind moved to the SW in moderate breeze overhauled some of the Lashed Chains at night the wind came off the land again.

Thursday October 18th 1833 Commenced with moderate breeze from the land 8 AM freshened up with a little rain this day went on shore to take care of the King & Royal family presented them with some pieces of cloth and in return got some Corn, Peas, Beans and Plantains even this day they had much trade with the Natives from the village westward.

Friday October 19th 1833 Begins with fine breeze from the land discovered a Spanish boy that I took in Portugal in 1828 one that he was anxious of remaining on the Island put his Chest on shore and exchanged in 35 7 2 AM hoist up the Anchor and got under way with a light breeze from the land and stood out of the Bay. Latter Part wind light and baffling the ship lost her stern age way for the first time for some leaving Bright all hands employed in clearing the Deck getting chains below and flogging the Anchors under the lee of Shevahoo.

Saturday October 20th 1833 Commenced with light falling winds 8 3 PM wind blowing up from the S. 50 fathoms out to the N. 10 fathoms 8 3 PM Hoist up the Anchor and by Compass N. 30 E. 10 fathoms at 9 AM set 10 fathoms. Middle Part fresh winds and clear at 8 AM fine Hoop & Water coming 8 30 AM 10 Miles off Latter Part fine weather. Lat. Oct. 8. 38 South.

Sunday October 21th 1833 Begins with moderate winds from the land. With fine weather ship under all sail to the N. E. at 8 PM top jib of the land Middle Part fine breeze and clear weather Latter Part much like the former pushing to N. E. Lat. Oct. 9. 18 South.