

Rorotonga Island

I had come down from the mountains as I should have been naked if it was not for the tappa that they make out of the bark of trees they goe naked nearly all the time they are a fine looking set both men and women I was pretty happy there they did not want to part with me I stayed on the island for 6 months before I could get a chance to get away they treated me like a prince and were fond of me one day while I was on top of one of the hills I saw a ship a long way off and steering for the island the next day she came close in and the captain came on shore to get some fruit I spoke to him about getting off the island if he would take me he said he would but I was afraid that the natives would take me if they mistooked what I was going to do I waited till the boat was ready then the captain jumped in and me after him we started before the natives could get to the boat and went on board.

Walter Booth, Nantucket

after I had got on board and settled down I found that the ship's name was the Walter Booth of Nantucket she was a sperm whaler I signed articles on board we took some small whales when the captain concluded to go to an island where there was 2 or 3 families living they were English to get some wood and potatoes the island was called hows island it is 300 miles from Sydney New Holland when we got to the island the boat was sent on shore I was in the boat when we got on shore it came on to blow a regular hurricane the ship was blown off out of sight when the weather cleared up the ship came in she had been out of sight a week we were happy enough on shore I was living with a family the old man wanted I should stay with him I promised him that I would I went on board of the ship to get some of my clothes

and I could not get on shore again the ship had lost boats and spars and sprung a leak in the gale the captain said that we should have to go to Sydney to repair the next day we kept away for Sydney harbour properly called port Jackson we got in to port safe and had a servey held on the ship and had to take the ship in to mormans bay to discharge the oil and strip the ship and leave her down for kalabring the crew received 4 shillings a day while the ship was there being of a coming disposition I had made up my mind to leave as soon the ship was ready for sea when the ship was all ready and out in the stream I pocketed all of the cash that I had amounting to 14 English shillings at night I went to the mate and told him that the captain had ordered me to come on shore to fetch his clothes on board I went on shore and

Sydney N. S. W.

David I went on board of the rose steam boat she ran between Sydney and Maitland on the hunters river I asked the first man that I saw what time the boat would start he told me at 10 o'clock I then asked him how much the passage was he says 10 shillings but if I would like to shovel coals he would get me a passage for nothing I told him that I would so he served me where to go to work with idid and trimmed coals all night the next morning at daylight the boat stopped at new castle at the mouth of the hunters river at 10 o'clock on Sunday morning we hauled along side of the bank of the river at the green hills the man that gave me the job to shovel coals asked me what I intended to do I did not know hardly he told me that he had a farm his 2 sons and his wife lived on it about 6 miles from there he wanted me to go to work on it till