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 Death of John Antonio
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 Based him about 11th in the latitude 18.28
 Longitude 159.34 W

Death of John Antonio

Monday December 24th /66

Commenced with a good breeze from the E. all sail set steering to the S. E. employed in ship duty John Antonio (the sick man) we found was growing worse, but swelling very fast, no operation & could not get any, tried a warm bath, but to no purpose, at 10 he died in a few minutes after we took him out (as he lay faintly) as he seemed to breathe about 9.30 A.M. but his heart appeared to beat until 11.30 A.M. Thus passed away John Antonio without a struggle, cut down in the moment of health. I so deeply regret his loss as he was very young & active, and a man of great promise. I had taken him to steer me in the passage home, although he had not been taken as yet. At about 10.30 we committed his remains to the deep as they could not be kept any longer on account of putrefaction & turned black & 3.30 P.M. then passed away a man I really liked, as he had been in the ship all the voyage, and a man I placed at confidence in, he was sensible until the last few moments (to say three or four minutes) raised his head at 7.30 A.M. kept to the wind & hauled back at

Latitude 16.30 South
 Longitude 159.13 West

Tuesday December 25th /66

Commenced moderate from the E. by 6 A.M. called all hands & bent the Port chain at 7.30 A.M. near shore, obtained some grain & a few fowls, at 7.30 A.M. kept away steering S. E. latter part all sail set fresh breeze Lat 16.52 S

Longitude 159.37 W

Wednesday December 26th /66

Commenced with a fresh breeze & continued so all the twenty four hours, at 1 P.M. raised Boat passed to the E. of us at 6.30 A.M. before Hornet came aboard a few moments Lat 20.53 S Longitude 159.37 W

Thursday December 27th /66

Commenced with a good breeze & continued so these twenty four hours, heading to the S. E. all sail set Ship Co. Howland star to.

Latitude 23.12 S Longitude 159.36 W

Friday December 28th /66

Commenced with a fresh breeze from the E. all sail set steering to the wind, heading about S. E. Employed to day repairing the fore sail. All hands on deck during the afternoon the Cornelia Howland rig out a new jib & jib boom.

Latitude 24.38 S
 Longitude 159.36 W

Saturday December 29th /66

Commenced moderate & continued so all the twenty four hours employed setting up the boats, & the rigging forward, all hands on deck during the afternoon, at 8.30 A.M. starboard boat went along side of the Ship Co. Howland, stand from the Star Co. all sail set steering S. E.

Sunday December 30th /66

Commenced moderate, steering S. E. all sail set, gained with the Co. Howland, latter part lighter, raining

Monday December 31st /66

Commenced light & variable steering S. E. all sail set, raining all day, latter part the same Lat

Tuesday January 1st /67

Commenced moderate and continued so all the day with frequent showers of rain gained with the Co. Howland

Wednesday January 2nd /67

Commenced moderate from the E. all sail set heading to the S. E. middle part wind S. E. at 12.30 P.M. lashed Ship, and stood to the E. Lat 21.2 S

Thursday January 3rd /67

Commenced very light on the S. all sail set, employed in ship duty, Lat 31.16 S Longitude 159.37 W

Friday January 4th /67

Commenced very light, latter part moderate breeze steering S. E. Co. Howland close to, Employed in repairing the mainsail & 3.30 P.M. S. Longitude 159.37 W

Saturday January 5th /67

These twenty four hours commenced, with a light from the N. E. all sail set steering S. E. employed mending part wetting hole, at 5.30 A.M. strong from the S. E. came down to double reefed the sails & 6.30 A.M. at 7 single reefed the main top sail Lat 31 S Longitude 159.37 W

Sunday January 6th /67

Commenced with a strong breeze from the S. E. heading to the E. under most sail, at daylight made sail, middle & latter part much the same, at 12.30 P.M. gained with the Ship, Cornelius Howland. I went on board & wrote a letter and sent it to Brother Beulen Lat 32.55 S Longitude 159.38 W

Monday January 7th /67

Commenced moderate & continued so all the twenty four hours though wind from the S. E. heading to the E. for part, latter part to the S. E. & S. W. employed in ship duty to end

Latitude 32.20 S
 Longitude 151.08 W