to be on the Island. Oranges Plantains Bananas &c but it is a very bad landing-place without a pilot, and as the wind was the wrong way - Damme thought it not advisable to attempt to send in a boat - he found our Chronometer to be about thirty miles out of the way - by the latitude and longitude of the Island - I like to see land occasionally so that the rate may be corrected, if wrong - 4th Have been trimming ship to day so that we may sail faster, had not enough in her - so they have been filling casks with salt water - about sunset was near enough to the James Manry to speak her - after that we passed her -

5th A strong breeze which carries us speedily on our way - the James Manry beat us a little last night, she have seen nothing as yet to indicate whales - not even a black-fish porpoise or fin-back - Now we are proceeding on our way to the Marquesas Islands where we shall touch for wood - At sunset the James Manry was as far astern as she could be seen from aloft -

6th A strong breeze made 200 miles the last twenty-four hours - our consort is not to be seen -

7th A strong breeze - fine and pleasant, made 2 & 6 miles the last twenty-four hours -

8th Made 200 miles the last twenty-four hours, expect to see the Island of Magdalena or Fatuhiva in the morning -

9th In the morning arrived in sight of the Island, a ship in sight appearing to be bound in which we took to be a Merchant-man - as we approached the land we saw a ship in the harbor - a sight that was pleasing to me, as I felt somewhat anxious in regard to going among these wild savages - As we drew near a boat came off to us filled with frightfully tattooed naked men - one who said he was chief could talk a little broken English - he is to stay on board while we are procuring wood to look out for the natives as he says "they have plenty steal" - One of our boats went ashore and another went on board the Merchant ship to see if we could obtain late papers and to carry letters in case she should be bound to California which proved to be the case She was the Barque Glimpse Capt. Dayton bound to Cal. from Sidney with forty passengers. The ship in

the harbor was the Japan Capt Duncan who we did not see him - when the boat returned she brought off some bananas Cocoa-nuts and some food as a present to me from Johnis (the chief) wife

10th Concluded to anchor here instead of laying off and on as he at first intended, which we did about noon - the ship was filled with native men through the day - the women are not allowed to go in a canoe - it is tabu to them - If they wish to go to another bay they are compelled to go over rocks and ridges while their husbands go in their canoes - they may go in a whale-boat however when opportunity offers - We have had pigs fowls cocoa nuts bread-fruit bananas and pine-apples brought off today, and I have had sufficient employment in watching them as they came off in their canoes - every thing is new and strange to me - what would my friends at home say to see such frightful looking creatures - they appear delighted to see Brownie and myself - I believe there were but one white woman here before we came - they come up to us and put their hands on us and say "very good here, very good here" & pointing about us - This afternoon the Kanaka Missionary and native teacher came on board - the Missionary Mr Bicknell is from Oahu came here with his wife in the Morning Star - the children ship they took tea with us and the native teacher Abahama Native asked a blessing at the table in his native language - I think it is a glorious era in the history of our world - for those who once were heathen and have embraced the gospel, to come to these other Islands of the sea and proclaim the glad tidings to their brethren who are still in darkness - I sympathize with them in their labors and have assisted and will do all in my power for them - Old John the Chief brought his wife off in our boat to see me - her clothing consisted of a piece of red flannel tied around her, earrings of porpoise teeth, and an abundance of beads around her neck - She is my friend - every one has a friend here that means among them - "me give you, you give me"