

June 1843.

638. Thursday commenced the Month of June laying to anchor at Hueshina shipping men. June 8th ship² Boatstuners put the Cooper in 3 Mate and Boatst. on the 8th got the Compliments of Men on Board and the 9th of June went to sea steering to the N.E. Sunday June 18th Made the Island of Matia Lat 18.45 S. Long 148.17 W. Monday the Capt went on shore laying off and on till the rest of this month getting game on board. so ends

July 1843.

646. Saturday July commenced laying off and on the Island of Matia. The 3rd the 7th and 8th on board one of the men by the name of Hobbs refused to go to duty put him on shore and left the Island of Matia bearing S.W. 5th spoke the Ship Eliza Adams of Fairhaven cutting a large whale 13 months foetus. Lat 18.37 S. Long 148.09 W. Monday July 16th Lat 9.27 S. Long 149.04 W. saw sperm whales 2 times. This day the Marsh Boat 2 Whales the Boatstuners missed the 3rd he struck solid the Boat got turned over and James Ralf the Boatstuner being foul of the line on the whale struck him under water never rose again at any rate saw no more of him. the Starboard Boat struck and got their whale shouting blood the line parted took him I was sick at this time not able to go in the Boat. This day and Wednesday saw Whales without success. Lat 11.00 S. 148. Monday July 24th Lat 10.11 N. Long 157.30 saw Sperm Whales. Succeeded in taking 2.   Monday July 31st Made Jarvis Island Lat 10.19 N. Long 159.35 - went in with the Boat fishing got 5 seals this month.

August 1843.

649. Tuesday Commenced the Month of August with pleasant weather steering N.W. and S.W. fitting rigging and mending sails the Chronometer had given out we find the Longitude by Lunar Obs. saw nothing till Monday 7th saw Sperm Whales Lat 10.30 S. Long 157.0. Succeeded in taking 2.  

Sunday 13th hauled to the South Monday boarded with the Ship Phebe of Nantucket 18 months out 330 Bbls. Saturday 19th saw land an Island that is not down on the Chart. The Capt went in with the Boat found 10 natives that belong to another Island on shore been wrecked 6 months ago in a canoe took them on board to carry them to the Island of Handsome people 2 days to leeward beat 5 days gained nothing kept off for Duke of Clarence Island August 24 saw a Island in the Lat 9.20 S. Long 17.0 W. went in with 3 Boats took the boats in over the reef into the Lagoon. after pulling up the Lagoon returning back saw about 20 canoes coming for them got to the reef it being low water left the Marsh Boat on the beach all hands took to the Starboard Boat and hauled her over the reef the natives took the Marsh Boat hauled her over and shored her off to the other Boat the crew got in to her the natives did not appear savage they wanted the Capt to land the Capt returned on board went with the Ship to their town the Capt went on shore canoeed the 10 natives they were much affected at parting with us. headed to the S. Aug 28th Made the Navigators Islands. on the 29th saw a large sperm whale lowered the Marsh Boat struck their line started the Starboard Boat struck the whale kept 24 lines about 2 hours at last the line parted he went off. the rest of this month employed mending the Marsh and Starboard Boats after the reef scrape and cruising off the Island of Pola one of the Navigators so ends this month. in sight of 3 of the Navigators Islands. Lat 13.43 S.