

Ship Courier from a Cruise towards the Sandwich Is.

Friday Oct. 15th 1840 Commenced with brisk on steady winds ^{varying} from E by S to E by N at 2 P.M. tacked to the South at 4 tacked to the Eastward at 9 tacked to the South again at 11 double reefed the top sail's middle part squally weather at 1 P.M. wore ship to the Eastward latter part brisk winds & squally heading E by S and off N.E. light at 12 wore ship so ends Lat by Obs. 28° 21' Long by Obs. 157° 20' West.

Saturday Oct. 16th 1840 Commenced with brisk winds from E by S with cloudy weather steering by the wind with the bar-board tacks aboard single reef top sail by 1 P.M. at 1 P.M. middle part brisk winds at 2 P.M. the wind backed on run took in the N.G. sail latter part wind at East with the main & top turned the reef out of the top sail so ends Lat by Obs. 26° 42' S Long by Obs. 157° 57'

Sunday Oct. 17th 1840 Commenced with brisk trades from East steering by the wind with the bar-board tacks aboard sun squalls at 9 P.M. took in the N.G. sail middle part much as the first at day light with the N.G. sail at 9 A.M. tacked and made all the sail we could spread at half past 11 tacked back to the E by S. brisk trades one ship in sight off our lee so ends.

Lat by Obs. 25° 09' Long by Obs. 157° 45'

Monday Oct. 18th 1840 All these 24 hours brisk trades from E by S with fair weather all necessary sail set by the wind to the best advantage with the bar-board tacks aboard variously employed so ends.

Lat by Obs. 23° 25' S Long by Obs. 157° 23' West.

Tuesday Oct. 19th 1840 All these 24 hours brisk trades from East to E by S steering by the wind with the bar-board tacks aboard and all sail set sun squally at 11 A.M. saw the West end of Mowea bearing N.W. by N kept off for it with the top & main standing sail so ends Lat by Obs. 21° 27' North.

Mowea

Kanai

Morotoi

Ship Courier Whilst lying at Saikiri Maru

Wednesday Oct. 21st 1840 Commenced with brisk trades with fair weather running down for 6 got our chains bent & anchors off the Reel & about 8 P.M. came too in 15 fathoms water furled the sail's middle part calmer latter part much got a raft of bark on shore for water all hands being employed so ends.

Thursday Oct. 22nd 1840 Commenced with a calm middle part much the same latter part calmer one watch on liberty the remainder employed painting ship and other necessary jobs so ends.

Friday Oct. 23rd 1840 Commenced with light westerly winds with fair weather at 6 the liberty men came off middle part calmer in the morning about 9 had a bit of a round turn with my Carpenter elapsed him in trousers and put him below in a snug place where I could find him the remainder of this day one watch on liberty remainder employed painting ship &c so ends.

Saturday Oct. 24th 1840 Commenced moderate westerly wind with thick rainy weather worked off painting at 6 the liberty men came off middle part thick and raining at day light sent the boats off for a raft of water got through with it about 11 let one watch go a shore on liberty so ends.

From the 24th of Oct until Tuesday Nov 3rd we were busy employed in getting off our Wood Water and vegetation & painting ship and on Wednesday Nov 4th 1840

At 12 took our anchor and stood to the Westward having Thomas Gordon behind as big a villain as there was in the ship. about 2 P.M. i came on board with 6 natives that i shipped made all sail by the wind at N.W. the Walmerington Liverpool Packet in company at 5 P.M. tacked to the North took a course off of Kiamai steered over for Morotoi more to the Westward latter part light baffling wind stood to the Westward the Packet in company Capt Foster on board of the Courier so ends