

Ship Minerva: Toward Otaheite.
Sunday Aug 9th 1846.

This day commenced with strong breeze from
from SE steering N by E made fast double
reefed the topsails hauled up. Courses and
suffled to the wind at 6 saw the land
I point bearing NNE the latter part
employed getting up chain and anchors
off the boat. So ended today.

Monday Aug 10th 1846.

This day commenced with light wind from
E running down the land at 6 PM off
the N end of the latter part beating up
to the harbour of Otaheite.

Tuesday Aug 11th 1846.

This day commenced with strong breeze from
N and E at 1 AM took a pilot at 3
came to be the outer harbour in 10
fathoms water. found 5 French frigates
and the Sarah Whaler and crossed
later part taking cues and employed
getting ready to lay down so ended today.

Ship Minerva at the Island Otaheite
From the 11th Aug to the 3rd Sept 1846
Employed getting water wood & clearing the
ship to stop the leak in the starboard main
We had sand & 2 days liberty each week.
The French had the possession of the
place and a good party of the natives
had fled to the mountains and had
built a fort the place was under martial
law the Queen was living on Raiatea.
the 2nd Sept. drove up our anchor and stood
out to sea with a strong breeze from the E
all hands employed getting anchors on the
boat and stowing chains so ended today.

Wednesday Sept 3rd 1846.

This day commenced with fine weather
and strong breeze all hands fitting craft.
So ended today.

Wednesday Sept 3rd 1846.

This day commenced with fine weather
steering by the wind match employed
in mending the main sail so ended
today.

Thursday Sept 3rd 1846.

This day commenced with fine weather
and light breeze from SE steering close to
wind match employed mending sails
so ended today.

Friday Sept 4th 1846.

This day commenced with a strong breeze
steering by the wind at 5 AM made the
Island Laooa at 8 Captains and
3d mate with several trading and
came aboard at 12
So ended today.