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Our two
men off
duty yet

Wednesday April 26th 1854

The weather cold and blustering with squalls of rain and wind from the N.E. Steering N. by E. At 3 P.M. saw a land on point off our weather bow. We huffed for her immediately and as soon as she discovered us she ran for us and before long we recognized her to be the bark *Wm. T. Wheaton* Capt. Comstock our passenger from Cape St. Lucas (See page 125, etc.) He left his wife at Honolulu. Too bad for she wanted to come with him. Capt. Comstock came on board and stayed till 11 in the evening. Took in 42 bushels of corn with us and went on board of *Wm. T. Wheaton*. The bark took a pig perhaps to pay for the corn and came on board of us. Ended with a few squalls of hail. Set to 2.58 in

Thursday April 27th

The weather the same. At 11 in the evening returned to our ship very much satisfied with our gain. Had a good time with Capt. Comstock talking about how we were to take the oil this season and I copied a chart of the N.W. from ours for him. He has great faith in this place as it has been highly recommended to him though very secretly as few know it we shall go with him. Our Capt. said I must say nothing about it to my mother.

Friday April 28th

The day ended cold and clearer than any we have had since we have been here. At 10 in the morning ran to the leeward of the ship *Wm. T. Wheaton* and hallooed out for Capt. Comstock who had come on board for another gain. Our bark took his boat with a 1/2 ton of coal for their store and went to make our neighbour a visit. So ends.

Saturday April 29th

This day has been a very pleasant one with a light breeze from the N.E. Steering by the wind to the N.E. At 3 P.M. a sail was seen from North head and in about 30 minutes there was 3 more seen but they soon called them in. Barge and before night it was supposed to be land by some but it is not known what it was though the land is not far off. At 10 in the evening our company returned to their temporary home and we turned in to our berths for a good sleep.

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Wm. T. Wheaton off duty

Off Honolulu

Sunday April 30th 1854

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A part of the day foggy and part very pleasant. The pleasant part of the day (that was in the forenoon) went on board of the *Wm. T. Wheaton* and had a good time notwithstanding it was Sunday and I had rather not go a visiting on the Sabbath but I trust it has been spent to advantage to some of us. This is the last day of another month and still we are all shared and nearly all well. We have great cause for grateful hearts for these sleepings and I will try to be more thankful and more prayerful.

Monday May 1st 1854

This month is accompanied with many pleasing associations and I welcome it with much pleasure. This month I was married to my best earthly companion and this month, was presented with my first born; these two circumstances have been the source of my greatest earthly happiness and will always be recollected with pleasure for I know I shall never have cause to regret the events of this month.

Returned at 11 in the evening and kept together during the night and at 10 in the forenoon Capt. Comstock came on board of our ship and brought us 2 tubs of sea coal, so we set up the forge and made him a couple of hoisting straps for his boat. Left yesterday 5 P.M. at

Tuesday May 2nd

Continued to gain as fast as we could till 1 in the evening. Capt. Comstock called in to see my wife and little ones and as he thought my lady too good looking for he said that I should ever all together too cunning. I suppose he would give a small fortune for such a boy. He left his wife at Honolulu and is expecting something of her by the time he gets back. He has been married some 8 or 9 years. The blacksmith to work at the forge. Saw him back.

Wednesday May 3rd

Fair wind and weather steering N.E. Our neighbour steering the same course and only 2 or 3 miles off our lee beam and we are so nearly matched that we cannot come away from each other. The blacksmith made 2 levers of this shape. Made from a pattern of one on board of the *W.T.W.* which was made on board of some ship and is supposed to be better than the old fashion ones.

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