

Bounded in the Sandwich Islands.

647 21 Thursday September 21st 1854
The wind has finally taken its stand directly against us and so much in quantity that it was found necessary to double reef the topsails by the wind to the E. All hands on duty this is a great blessing surely

648 22 Friday September 22nd
with a plenty of rain and wind wind to match and increased commenced to a gale about 10 in the evening when we have to under double reefed topsails fished fore and aft and mizzen top but before morning it hailed to the W and the morning dawned beautifully steering S. by E. Checked off the fore hold by blow 2 casks and 2 rears. One out of the lower hold full. Very thankful for

649 23 Saturday September 23rd
The day has been very pleasant Wind S. by W. by W. Stowed 75 bbls of oil in the after hold where we can probably get 75 bbls more. Let the rest of 3 bbls in the Blubber room. The Lake the Mate is to have his bag out of it when we get in. The hoops of the casks as well as every other part of them were scraped thoroughly. As covered every thing between decks and scraped that also, even to every stick of wood that had been in contact with gurry. Finished by cleaning the tank in the fore hold and working off deck for Sunday. Lat 3 8. 13 N

650 24 Sunday September 24th
The day has been pleasant with the exception of a few rain squalls but I have spent it rather unprofitably as I have been thick headed today. Twice I came below for the purpose of writing but my head did not contribute an idea fit to be seen so I did not write though I have so much to do. I will try to make it up another time

651 25 Monday September 25th
The day has been very pleasant but a heavy swell has been running from the N. W. so we should have brack out the oil in the main hold to Cooper. We shall begin bright and early tomorrow if it is pleasant. We are all anxious to get through with the disagreeable job. The Capt and Mate are not on very good terms at present but we are quite used to such matters. We shall soon have a change of Officers but it is doubtful whether we shall be suited so well as at present. I am very well satisfied with them. Lat 3 50 20 N Long 144 44 W

652 26 Tuesday September 26th 1854
Early in the morning commenced breaking oil out of the main hold to Cooper. The weather is pleasantly adapted to the business the wind being light from the S. W. The Mate appears to be very satisfied as off duty. The Capt sent him to the main hold after breakfast when he stayed till sunset with the exception of a few minutes spent in dining after the work had done. I do not know what the difficulty is with him little or nothing to say to him. It is too bad we ought to be friendly here it is bad enough at best. Lat 3 30 20 N

653 27 Wednesday September 27th
The day has been beautiful weather attended our labors which has been so far that we finished the long dreaded job of Coopering oil at Muriage. It had not leaked so fast as we expected. The only head to take up 20 casks in 300 bbls and it took but two to fill them so we had only two empty. I have only seen the Mate on deck but once today then only 5 minutes. Lat 3 30 20 N September 28

654 28 Thursday September 28th
The weather continues fine and the wind ahead and as the air is all down the next thing thing is to wash deck so immediately after dinner put on a half a bbl of lard and a bucket of oil and soap and put it with faith in water when all hands commenced scrubbing round something hold at the same time and kept it up with the remarkable perseverance till four O'clock when the deck was as clean as could be desired. Went down the cutting gear (tackles) and pickled the fall and guys and scraped the blocks. Lat 31. 31 W

655 29 Friday September 29th
Three letters for a fair wind a lovely breeze from the N. by E. carrying us towards our letters. I wish my wife knew how near we are to sports and know glad we are to get letters from home. I think she would help in rejoicing. The watch took a part of the fore and aft rubbings it down with scrapers and spread it to dry. The Carpenter fitted the lot boat for a strongly cloudy boat in front. The Cooper commenced and the Mate off duty with the Rheumatism. Lat 29. 29

656 30 Saturday the last of September
The girls are still pulling at the rate of 10 knots or more. 9.4 by compass that is S. W. true course. Took all the fore and aft the watch rubbing it over with the scrapers down a little down a good bit and stowed two casks. I am very busy in my position but I am getting tired of it. Lat 29 29 N