

Lying at Anchor at Lahaina

Wednesday October 18th 1854
The Starboard watch on liberty and the liberty men all come off this and sober which is very remarkable in this port as there is a plenty of rum on shore. Took a fair cable in deck from the run which is to be sold to the ship. The Carpenter and Cooper painting ship inside.

Thursday October 19th
Finished painting the inside of the ship. The ship Harrison took the chain which weighed about 6000 lbs. The merchant ship Chasca arrived from the States with 200 men. All but the Liberty men came off right with the exception of Hunt. Burns and Jones and they were so drunk they could not go straight but were in fact the right trim for fighting as they thought. A strong effort was necessary on the part of the sober men to keep them quiet. This sickening to see men in such a way.

Friday October 20th
Carpenter and myself painting the cabin. The Starboard watch on liberty. A steamer arrived last night from Honolulu on an excursion to Hilo and so forth. She is called the Sea Bird. Mr. Bell came in her and said we have lots of letters at Honolulu. The Capt. started for that place at 4 this afternoon. in the Sovereign. The watch returned all right except boatsteward Bill who was in a bad way and tried hard to make a job with me. Sent a letter to my wife by the Capt.

Saturday Oct 21st
While the point was a day the Carpenter and myself went ashore with the Starboard watch and took up them as some in the boat. Had a very good time but did not get dressed by a female. It was hard work to refuse her but reason prevailed.

Sunday October 22nd 1854
The Starboard watch on shore and I with them. Had a good sermon at the Church by a new missionary who comes from the Merchants. The sermon was very good and the preaching room was full. Received one letter and two papers from the Capt. at Hilo. Had a meeting in the ship this evening. The sermon was preached by the Bishop presided. Tipt Galatians. V. Service. Every word was fully spoken. I was the only one of our crew that attended. A general invitation was not given.

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Finished painting and varnishing the cabin and painted the Starboard watch on liberty but two of them were deprived of their liberty by being put in the calaboose on suspicion of being runaways. It appears that several men have run away and there is a great reward offered for their capture. The police are on the alert. But our two men Hamilton and Farmer will be the last ones to run away or get in a scrape as they are very moral men. Mr. Chapman went and took them out. The Capt. is to go off to Hilo and so forth. The passengers Lafayette and Sophie left and there are 2 others took their places.

Tuesday October 24th
To day went on shore with the Starboard watch. wrote a letter to George and a little to my wife. Eight or 10 ships came in today. Finished painting ship and boats which has been a long job.

Wednesday October 25th
Starboard watch on liberty. Six or 8 ships came in today and as we don't see a signal every time one comes in sight it keeps us rather busy. It is difficult to accommodate the ladies on shore (Captains wives). I saw Capt. Gifford's wife yesterday and was all anxiety and look as if they were well nearly. She is in the King Tucker. I have made it my business to visit the flag and expect the women were all of a tremble every time it went up but have all been disappointed. Poor things. Repairing sails. Go to bed.

Thursday October 26th
Today I was on shore with the Starboard watch. wrote a letter to Mother Peter. 4 or 5 ships came to anchor and 2 went out. The Carpenter took with a doll throat and still sick.

Friday October 27th
One of the Starboard watch was put in the calaboose on rather a pretext for riding a horse too fast in town and with him Mr. Cross and Mr. Math who gave bonds for both in the sum of 12 dollars and are to appear at court tomorrow to answer to said charge. The Capt. arrived from Honolulu in the Sovereign about 4 in the afternoon after an absence of 7 days. Brought 4 letters for me one from my wife one from Sarah R. one from Rev. James Taylor and the other from a lady named Manchester for the sake of the board. My good letter. I wish I feel very grateful.