

Lying off and on at Rorotonga

Friday January 11th 1856

We have lost all day that have not been near enough
to land in a boat which has been a source of great
disappointment. The wind had been light and direc-
tly a head. Land bearing E. N. E. The black Porpoise
ran for sperm whales and we saw them break and
that is all the good they did for us. They were go-
ing quick to the wind. W. H. Hold.

2126 m. tall. 10 ft. diameter. Saturday January 10th 1908

At 6 o'clock in the morning two boats were dispatched to the shore for requisites but they soon returned with the Capt. not being able to trade it being thoroughly Sabbath with them. It appears the Missionary came on shore by the way of the Cape of Good Hope, hence the difference of time. We have concluded to adopt this as the Sabbath to accommodate them and shall have to work two morrow instead of observing it as usual. The Capt. and a boats crew went ashore at 4 P.M. and will spend the night there. I should not have been so off steady with all kinds of gossip of the Island but we will have too poor to make any extensive purchases.

The Capt. Langstaff a large bag of pine apples and we
helped ourselves till they are a going time. They are of the
most delicious flavour and we eat one without
thinking of buying. And children who would be the first
of the kind I want greatly give them up when it is seen
with the ship's Governor. That is one of our tasks.

1425. 1/2 lb. of small bones of *Pinus* any *Pinus* 15.15

We succeeded in getting all our men ashore at 4 this afternoon and hid the pretty island fair well with all its well behaved and truly inhabitant. I did not get but 3 lbs of pineapples and a few small ones. I appointed an assistant of the Capt. to look out for buying for he should buy 2 lbs for every man in the ship as they were only one dollar per lb but he has desired us again. He got a plenty of bananas and a basket of coconuts 40 lbs of potatoes & corn meal 10 pumpkins 5 one lime and a few ^{high} land ones. The went on board of the Danish Wagon and is now there spending the evening. Steering. J. W.

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Thome S.C. wishes "Hearing G.P." Ignorance of the D. Board
the principle business today was Capt. T. Williams has spent
the day with us since when he left
It is now near 1 o'clock in the evening and
Capt. T. has returned to the Ocean
Blame and expects to reach his native
Home in time to spend that of July this

Should we be pleased with a strong wind
we shall be there as soon for we find that the Clippard logs
are not long enough for us in such a time. The cattle return
with 4 or 5 bags of Irish potatoes, and a small male pig in his
prime perfection, designed for a mate for ours. Go and

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"Jagged" along under easy sail. The weather begins to grow a little more comfortable for sleeping as well as for working. Took the heads out of the casks of sails and overhauled the new leets and fitted a new forest for the fore bending and stowed them all away again. Our neighbors about 4 miles to the leeward of us

Wednesday January 16th

Weather still pleasant. Staring G.W. under easy sail
Wind strong the most of the time and from the E.
Sailors making spinnaker and fitting rigging
I have made a rug for Mr Mayhew and one for my
self for which were to be filled with dry bananas for
a or little ones at home. Beautiful weather for shade

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The Enboard watch lost their watch below because Ghost
was caught asleep. It is said that Maroon was shot ^{very} infirmly
resisted against him is often found asleep.
There is consistency to kill. Ghosty may
be seen securing the facts for a week ago
at 1 P.M. the Lt. Wood let a signal for
gun and our Capt. Bro. answered the
call. Mr. Richards is here and has been
astonished to see at Breauver with my skin shooting as
well as several others of the crew. I don't know how to get
along with so much praise with becoming modesty.