

Towards Tahiti

Thursday September 15th 1842

First part boiling with a strong wind. Heading to the fore Middle part much the same latter part finished boiling and set double reef Topsails & Cues

Latitude of 8° 9.50 S Long 140.40

Friday September 16th

First part strong winds weather rugged. Heading to the fore Middle & latter part blowing very strong

Latitude of 8° 10.48 Long 140.45

Saturday Sept 17th

First part strong winds, rugged weather. Sea Middle part squally latter part rainy, blowing hard under double reef Main Topsails, employed in stowing down at sea with bad weather S. Cues

Latitude of 8° 10.51 Long 141.20

Sunday Sept 18th

First part blowing strong with squalls of rain from the sea at night finished stowing and set a double reef Fore Topsails stowing 1/4 latter part made all sail with moderate weather &

Latitude of 8° 11.31 Long 142.20

Monday Sept 19th

First part good weather all sail set Middle part squally latter part winds light and backing from 1/2 course 1/4

Latitude of 8° 12.44 Long 144

On board Ship Station

Tuesday September 20th 1842

First part winds light and backing from 1/2 course 1/4 employed in repairing the storm boats and various things fore Middle part backing latter part fine breeze all sails set stowing 1/4 employed variously S. Cues

Latitude of 8° 13.40 S Long 145.1

Wednesday 21st

First part fine weather and moderate winds course 1/4 winds 1/2 Middle part very squally at 1 P.M. have to latter part squally with rain kept off 1/4 winds 1/2 S. Cues

Latitude of 8° 14.31 Long 146.50

Thursday 22nd

First part at 4 1/2 P.M. saw Deans Island bearing 1/4 12 miles distant Middle part at 12 o'clock have to latter part kept off 1/4 for the north end of Kressenstein Islands at 10 P.M. the Island bearing 1/2 16 miles and Lagoon Islands bearing 1/2 28 miles S. Cues sharp by the wind heading 1/4 for Tahiti

Latitude of 8° 15.18 Long

Friday 23rd

First part strong trades all sail set Middle and latter much the same cloudy weather

Latitude of 8° 16.50 Long

Saturday 24th

First part blowing strong under double reef heading 1/4 at 3 P.M. saw the Island of Tahiti ahead 25 miles distant Middle part lay off & on latter part took the Pilot & anchored at 10 1/2 o'clock 1/4 M lat 17.51 Long 148.28 1/4