

Ship Abigail Cruising

Thursday March the 8th 1849
 first part strong winds from the
 North and Squalls at 6 PM
 the Milton came down and spoke
 us and buffed too. on the track at 9
 we were round to the NW at 3 PM
 the wind shifted suddenly to the west
 and blew very heavy for 2 hours
 it blew a strong gale we saw her too
 on the track of under close Ruffed
 mairapalt. latter part more moderate
 but heavy the from the Northward
 the Milton in company

Friday the 9th [redacted]
 Lat of the Island 16° 12' Long 167° 57'

Ocean Island

Strong trades steering by to the NW at 8
 at 1 PM the Milton the Island
 4 points of the Sea Bow Bearing 10 by 10
 Dist 25 miles at 12 Noon down

within 3 miles, and buffed too and hauled
 a back the Milton came down and spoke
 us, we then wore round and stood
 close in but the natives would
 not come off. there was 5 canoes lying
 close in shore a fishing Capt
 Smith lowered down a boat and
 went on shore to see if we could
 and the 3 natives that we picked up
 in the canoe from the Island of Pines
 he then came on board and took them off
 they was very loth to leave the ship they
 said that the natives would eat them
 Capt made them some presents of glass and tobacco
 the natives received them kindly they gave
 up all in charge of the Chief there is 1 white
 only for the Island, Capt I bought some
 2 Squashes fowls and 1 million which he gave
 the half

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On the Line Ground

Saturday March the 10th 1849
 first part strong trades at 4 PM
 Capt Smith came on at 8 PM
 returned to his own ship and
 put her off to the NW for Pleasant
 Island 167° 44'

Sunday the 11th
 strong trades steering to the NW
 at 1 PM Capt [redacted]
 went on board of the Milton
 at 4 PM returned to his own ship
 and wore ship to the Northward
 at 4 PM Pleasant Island
 bearing NW by W Dist 38 miles
 at 3 PM we wore to the SE
 at 10 PM saw the Island bearing S
 Dist 12 miles at 11 PM wore round
 to Northward at 12 PM the Island
 bearing NW Dist 10 miles
 167° 13'

Monday the 12th
 strong trades latter part moderate
 at 1 PM light saw the land
 bearing NW Dist 8 miles
 at 3 PM the Capt took the 13 boat
 and went on board of the Milton
 at 8 PM the natives came on board
 and 2 whale boats with Europeans
 in them the Capt and myself went on
 share in them 10 by 10 at 2 PM
 of the 13 PM returned to the Milton with
 36 hogs and 1000 coconuts which was equally
 divided between the 2 ships at 5 PM off
 to the NW

View of Pleasant
 Ocean Island bearing NW Dist 2 miles

