

Journal for the Barque Hector

May 19 Friday morning commences with light breeze from the N.E. steering N.W. by W. with the land in sight one of the Sandwich Islands called Otaoi and the Benjamin Rush in sight we set a signal for the Captain to come on board and we took ship and run down for him and the captain went on board in the afternoon the wind began to blow up fresh with not far off and the sail still in company with us and the Captain still on board

May 20 Saturday morning commences with strong breeze from the Northward steering between the Anchor and Preciousa close in shore at 12 o'clock the Captain went on shore to trade with the natives in the afternoon the wind still the same at 4 o'clock the Captain came back again and brought some water melon and some fish and we took in sail we are bound for Japan and one of the boys fell overboard and we lowered down the boat and picked him up

May 21 Sunday morning commences with strong winds from the N.E. steering close on the wind we furl the maintop gallant sail and spanker in the afternoon we reef the fore and maintop sail at 3 o'clock we raised Biru Island one of the S. I.

May 22 Monday morning commences with strong wind from the N.E. steering close on the wind in the afternoon the wind still the same we wore ship and reefed the main top sail and furl the maintop and gile Latitude

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May 23 Tuesday morning commences with light breeze from the Northward steering N.E. we made sail in the afternoon the wind still the same Latitude 23-5-N.

May 24 Wednesday morning commences with a calm and pleasant with land in sight we unhook the foretop sail and mended it and afterwards we beat it in the afternoon we broke out for buff and pork we saw one school off Longitude Latitude 23-16-N.

May 25 Thursday morning commences with a light breeze from the Eastward steering N.W. we made sail in the afternoon the wind breezed up some with nothing in sight so ends the day Latitude 24-5-N.

May 26 Friday morning commences with a strong breeze from the N.E. accompanied with rain steering N.W. in the afternoon it cleared off calm and pleasant with all sail set we hauled up the maintop sail Latitude 25-0-N.

May 27 Saturday morning commences with a light breeze from the Southward steering N.W. by W. in the afternoon the weather still calm we furl the main sail Latitude 25-5-N.

May 28 Sunday morning commences with a light breeze from N.E. steering N.W. we made all sail in the afternoon it came on again with heavy rain so that we took in sail and at 6 o'clock it cleared off

May 29 Monday morning commences with a gale of wind accompanied with heavy squalls of rain from the Southward steering N.W. we broke out for bread in the afternoon the weather cleared up and we set the main sail and maintop gallant sail and gile