

Remarks on board the Ship James Stewart
Monday 20th Feb 1843

Clear weather and light airs the British
sent on board and demanded the boats belonging
to the ship to convey British subjects and property
on board as the British Man of war commanded
by Lord George Rowlett was going to blow the
fort down if the King did not acknowledge
by the name of Simpson as British Consul
who is reported a most infamous scoundrel
but the King did acknowledge him before he would
see his people destroyed the U.S. Sloop Boston
had her guns all double shotted and every
thing ready to sink the Carrisfort if she had
fired a gun as they Commander Rowlett had
only gave eight hours notice for the American
subjects to remove their property

Tuesday 21 Feb 1843

Clear weather and moderate breezes
from the south we sold eight casks of bread
to the U.S. Sloop Boston to day there is now
lying in port two ships of war five whale
ships four merchant ships and several large schooners
and brigs

Journal

March 8th 1843

At 11 o'clock I was imprisoned in the fort
of Honolulu for not delivering up the
Register of the Ship James Stewart to
Simpson and Lord George Rowlett one late
Acting Consul for Great Britain and the other Commander
of H.B.M. ship Carrisfort got one meal of victuals to day
I have been employed reading an old Magazine for the
most part of the day visited all the prisoners found a great
number in double Irons several gentlemen paid me a visit
and withdrew for the night

Thursday March 9th 1843

This day begins with pleasant clear weather and
a pleasant breeze from the south I have been employed
to day writing letters to my owners and relations in St John
and reading an old Magazine smoke four cigars to pass
away the dull time several gentlemen came to see me and
officers from whale ships, inspected all the fort visited a native
lying in the fort having been staked in the abdomen and in
the head in a fight on shore by a marine from the ship
Carrisfort find the Governor a very nice man indeed

Friday March 10th 1843

Beautiful clear weather and a light breeze from
the North got three meals to day of roasted taro and
pork as tough as a piece of leather pass away the time
reading an old Magazine and smoking cigars visited
by several officers from whale ships and the person who
is going out Navigator of my old ship came to try and
get the register from me but I told him the Commissioners
had got my answers already and I could not give
any other except what I had already given so he left
me the same as he came in a shocking drunken state