

which relates to his arrival in Beering's Strait, we enclose you herewith an extract from them, as also a copy of a 'Memorandum,' drawn up by Captain Parry, and dated 'Hecla, Davis' Strait, June, 1824;' to both of which we desire to call your particular attention, in order that you may govern your proceedings accordingly.

"Having remained in Beering's Strait as late in the autumn of 1827 as the season will admit, and without risking the chance of being obliged to winter on account of the ice, you are to proceed to England by the route before directed; reporting to our secretary your arrival, and transmitting the journals of yourself and officers for our information.

"In the prosecution of your voyage out, and during your stay in the Pacific, you are to be particular in noticing the *differences of longitude* given by your chronometers, from any one place to another, which you may visit in succession.

"As we have appointed Mr. Tradescant Lay as naturalist on the voyage, and some of your officers are acquainted with certain branches of natural history, it is expected that your visits to the numerous islands of the Pacific will afford the means of collecting rare and curious specimens in the several departments of this branch of science. You are to cause it to be understood that two specimens, *at least*, of each article are to be reserved for the public museums; after which the naturalist and officers will be at liberty to collect for themselves. You will pay every attention in your power to the preservation of the various specimens of natural history, and on your arrival in England transmit them to this office; and if, on your arrival at any place in the course of your voyage, you should meet with