

the next day had intirely lost sight of this place. Of this island I shall only observe, that we were exceedingly struck with the great general resemblance of the natives, both in figure, colour, manners, and even language, to the nations we had been so much conversant with in the South Seas.

Here we were well supplied with small turtle, and fowls of a moderate size; the last were sold at the rate of ten for a Spanish dollar. The natives also brought us many hog-deer, and a prodigious number of monkeys, to our great annoyance, as most of our sailors provided themselves with one, if not two of these troublesome animals.

We were no sooner clear of Prince's Island, than we had a gentle breeze from the W. N. W. but this did not last long; for the following day, the wind became again variable, and continued so for several days, when it grew squally, and blew fresh from the N.

Captain Gore's intention was now to proceed directly to the Cape. In the forenoon of the 10th of April, a snow was seen bearing down to us, which proved to be an English East-India packet that had left Table Bay three days before, and was cruising with orders for the China fleet, and other India-ships. The next morning we stood into Simon's Bay. The Resolution saluted the fort with eleven guns, and the same number was returned.

Mr. Brandt, the Governor of this place, came to visit us, as soon as we had anchored. He appeared much surprised to see our crew in so healthy a condition, as the Dutch ship that had left Macao, on our arrival there, and had touched at the Cape some time before, reported, that we were in a most wretched state, having only 14 hands left on board the Resolution, and seven on board the Discovery. On