

A P P E N D I X.

In order to put every means in your power that I can to ensure success, I have supplied you with every species of stores on board the *Felice*:—Yet, nevertheless, from the scantiness of the supply,—though all I am enabled to give you,—you will have difficulties to conquer, which I foresee will require all your vigilance to provide against. The material supplies which I have given you of flower and bread, will, I flatter myself, be of essential consequences, when added to those that you will receive at the Sandwich Islands. You will there salt down your pork; in performing which, I recommend to you to be particularly careful, following the method which Captain Cook directs; as by not observing this, Captain Colnett, of the *Prince of Wales*, lost the greatest part of his provisions before he reached the latitude of 30° North, on his proceeding to the coast of America. For this purpose I have given you every cask in my ship, except the ground tier. The next object of your attention will be vegetables, particularly the yam; of those you will obtain such a quantity, as I trust will prove a great refreshment, even on the American Coast. During the time you are at the Sandwich Islands, I recommend your serving no bread; as the abundance and variety of vegetables will render it needless; and such a saving, in your present state, will tend materially to the success of your voyage. I recommend the same precaution in respect to your flower.

As your stock of liquors is entirely exhausted, and having none to supply you with, in lieu thereof I have sent you all the essence of spruce in my possession, as also melasses, in order to make beer. You will use this supply at your pleasure; and as there will not be melasses sufficient, I recommend to you trying at the islands the experiment of boiling down sugar-cane; of which, Captain Cook made a pleasant and agreeable beer for his crew: but if you can effect making a syrup, it must be particularly grateful to your people with tea, as I have no sugar to supply you with, and your own is entirely gone. You will try the possibility of distilling rum; for which purpose I send you a still and copper. If these points are happily effected, you will find yourself possessed of the resources to put into execution the plan that I place before you. At all events, I have the strongest reliance on your being able to conquer every difficulty.

From the information which I have received from the *Princess Royal*, I think it necessary to warn you of the dangers attending your stay at those islands; where a crew, immersed in pleasure, may become but too easy a prey to so daring and resolute a set of people.—Your judgment will point out to you to draw your principal resources of provisions from Owyhee, the windward isle. The danger of anchoring here, from the multitude of people, is but too evident. With the bay of Mowee you are acquainted:—Here I would recommend you to anchor, if a spot free from coral rocks can be found. For though Titerree is sovereign of Mowee, Morotoi, and the adjacent isles, yet the factions subsisting between the lesser chiefs, will, in all probability, prevent their combining to