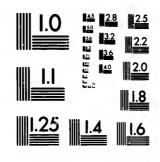


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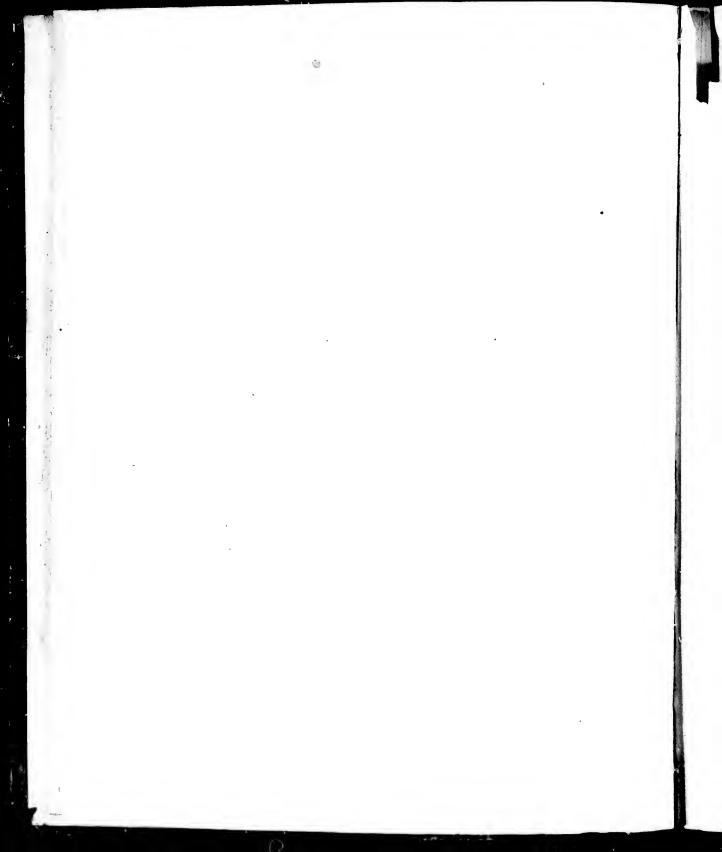
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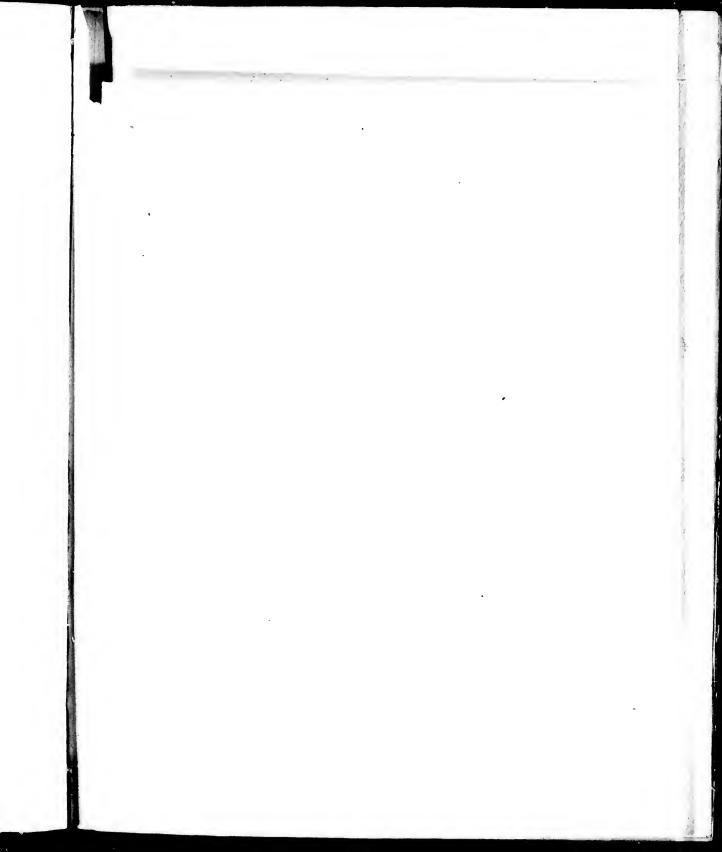
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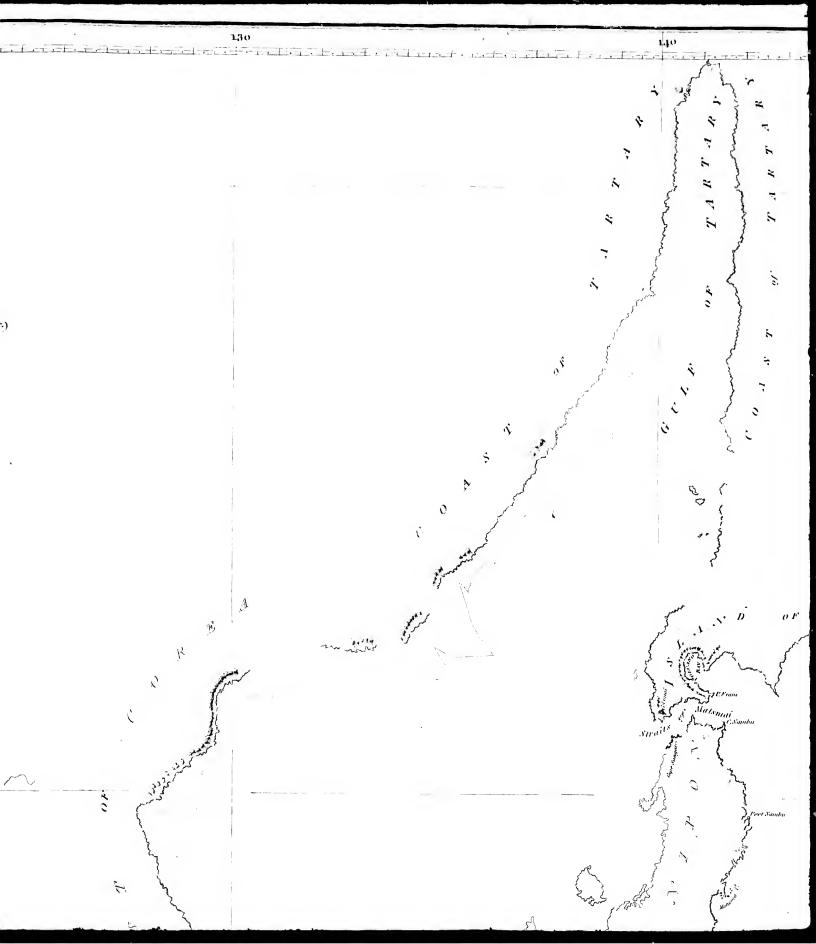


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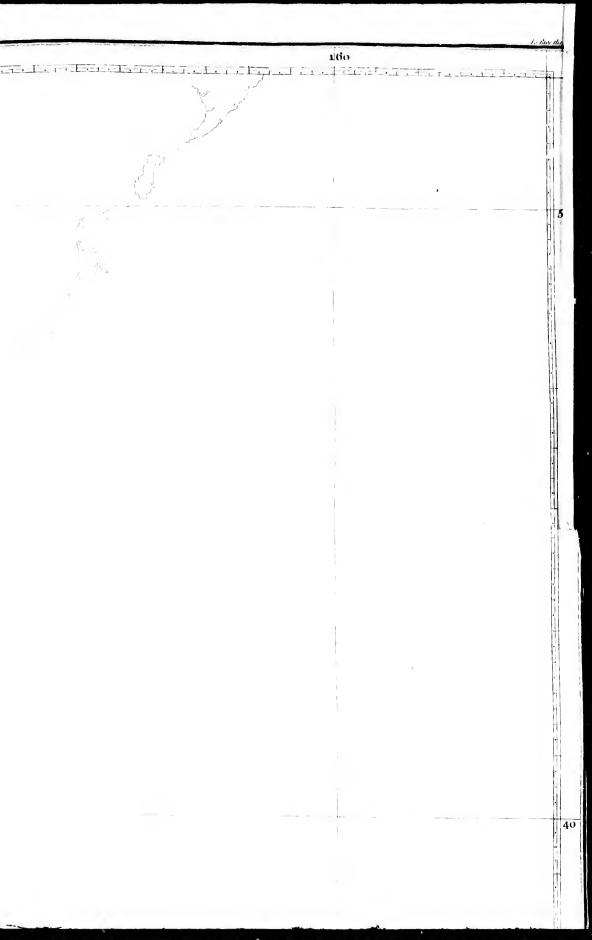
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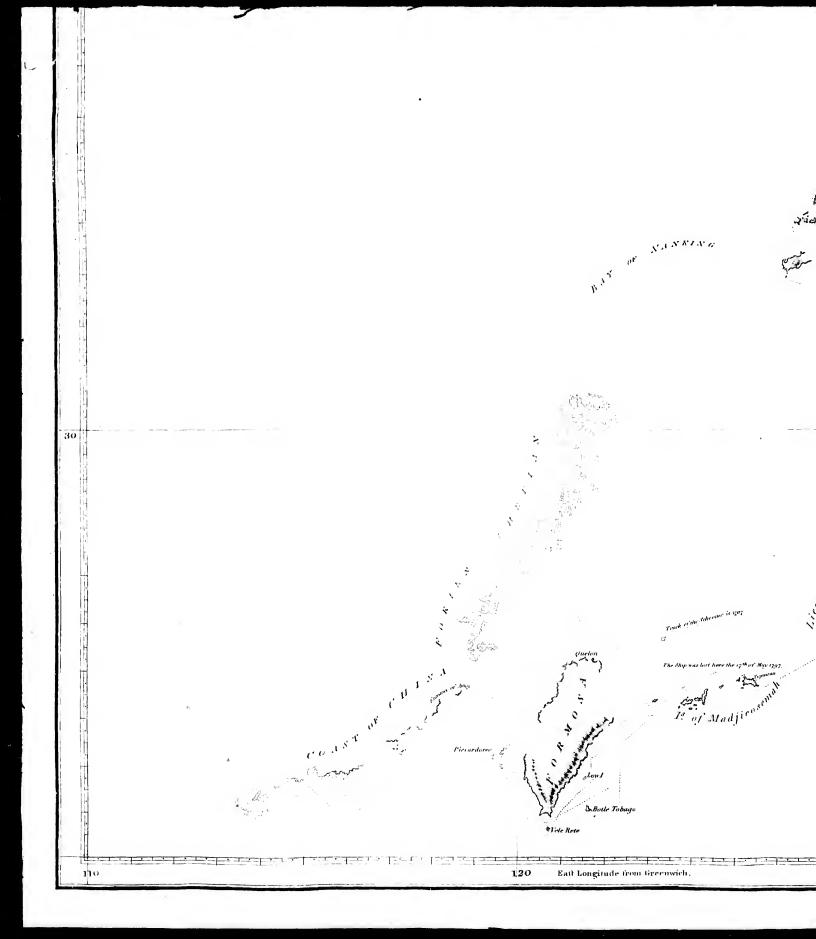
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# VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY

TO THE

# NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN:

IN WHICH '

THE COAST OF ASIA, FROM THE LAT. OF 35° NORTH
TO THE LAT. OF 52° NORTH,
THE ISLAND OF INSU,

(COMMONLY KNOWN UNDER THE NAME OF THE LAND OF JESSO,)
THE NORTH, SOUTH, AND EAST COASTS OF JAPAN,

THE LIEUCHIEUX AND THE ADJACENT ISLES,
AS WELL AS THE COAST OF COREA,
HAVE BEEN EXAMINED AND SURVEYED.

PERFORMED
IN HIS MAJESTY'S SLOOP PROVIDENCE,
AND HER TENDER,

IN THE YEARS 1795, 1796, 1797, 1798.

BY WILLIAM ROBERT BROUGHTON.

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# PREFACE.

Voyages of Discovery justly claim the public attention, because they open new sources of knowledge and trade, and consequently are interesting to a scientific and commercial people: but it would be unnecessary at any length to expatiate upon the utility of such expeditions, since that has been so ingeniously and convincingly displayed in the Introduction to Cook's third voyage.

Highly pre-eminent in the scale of Europe, not only for her military character but for her celebrity also in the arts of peace, Great Britain has long maintained her envied superiority among the nations, from the encouragement she has given to such enterprizes, and for the many illustrious navigators she has produced. The persevering researches and unwearied activity

activity of our immortal Cooke advanced her reputation for fuch voyages far beyond those of his predeceffors; and had not his unfortunate death deprived the world of his abilities, or the advanced feafon of the year prevented one of his fucceffors in command, \* Captain King, from fuch an attempt, there would have been little opportunity perhaps for the detail of the following journal, or the most important part of the voyage of La Péroufe. It should be remembered that, in the third volume of Cooke's last work, Captain King observes that the navigation of the sea between Japan and China afforded the largest field for discovery: and the furvey of this unknown part of the North Pacific Ocean was particularly recommended by the Honourable Daines + Barrington in his Mifcellanies, where he fays, "The coast of Corea, the northern part of Japan, and Lieuchieux Islands, should be explored." Captain ‡ Vancouver remarks, " that the Afiatic coast, from about the latitude of 35° to 52º North, is at prefent very ill defined; and the American coast, from about the latitude of 44° South to the fouthern extremity of Terra del Fuego, is very little known."

<sup>\*</sup> See Vol. III. of Cooke's last voyage, page 383.

<sup>+</sup> See page 8th of the Preface.

<sup>‡</sup> See his 3d Vol. page 489.

Such fuggestions and observations as these would naturally have their due weight with a navigator who was zealous to extend the bounds of geography, and who was well aware that little was to be done in any other part of the Pacific Ocean except that of fettling the position of some few islands, in themselves of little He might indeed have hefitated to confequence. which furvey he should give the preference, either that of the Asiatic coast from 35° to 52° N. latitude, or of the American coast about 44° S. latitude to Terra del Fuego, had he not been convinced that Captain Vancouver would have completed the last by his returning to England round Cape Horn. Yet here the curfory and fastidious reader may observe, that however laudable the defign of the following journal may have been, yet it can claim no merit from the novelty of its discoveries, as that is already pre-occupied by La Pérouse. In answer to such an observation, it is to be hoped that a little attention to this work would convince him of his mistake, and induce him to allow, that although the fame feas may have been explored by the two navigators, yet their feparate discoveries and surveys stamp a peculiar and characteristic difference between the voyages. Even had the fame track been followed entirely, great advantage might have arisen by it to the interests of fcience

science and geography: the errors of the former, if any, might have been corrected by the latter navigator; and the merit of his discoveries have been more completely established by later observations tending to confirm their authenticity. This advantage, it is prefumed, may be found in the prefent work; and as the English commander could not possibly have known the inftructions given to La Pérouse by the French Government, he is perfectly clear of the charge of imitation. If however the idea should still prevail, that La Pérouse's voyage has superfeded the necessity of this prefent publication, perhaps a brief statement of the discoveries or furveys made by both navigators in the fame feas may remove such ill-founded prejudices, and afcertain the degree of merit due to each voyage separately.

The French editor remarks, that "the examination of the eastern coast of Tartary, and the discovery, as it may be called, of one of the most extensive \* islands on the globe, separated from the continent by a strait, which was traversed in all directions, give La Pérouse's voyage importance and individuality;" but here it may be observed without any undue presumption, that the eastern coast of Tartary has been examined also

<sup>\*</sup> Tchoka, or Sagaleen.

by the English commander, and that the survey of the extensive island of Tchoka or Sagaleen is not superior in point of general interest to that which has been made by him of Chica, Jesso, or Insu, to the South of it; an island indeed of less extent, but more an object of curiosity to Europeans. The cause of geography, in respect to these hitherto undefined parts, seems to have been equally benefited by the two navigators; for their separate surveys will mutually correct the errors relative to these two islands, which have been laid down with such little attention to accuracy in former maps of the world.

By the passage of La Pérouse through the straits which bear his name, the insularity of Tchoka was determined; as that of Chica or Insu was also, by the failing of the Providence through the straits of Sangaar. The western coast of Insu was surveyed by the Providence, which La Pérouse omitted by going through his own straits. And in their progress to 52° N. latitude, the boat of the English vessel went sistem miles further than those of La Pérouse; nor did its crew relax from their surveys till they were in two sattlem water, and the shoals, together with the nearness of the surrounding shores, prevented any surther advance. As to their respective surveys of the Kurile

Kurile Islands, Marikan feems to have been the boundary of both.

So far it has been thought proper to introduce this brief statement: but the surveys of the north, south, and east coasts of Japan, the Lieuchieux and the adjacent isles of Madgicoseman, together with the examination of the coast of Corea, belong exclusively to the following Journal; for La Pérouse, when he lest Kamschatka, gave up the idea of exploring any more the gulph of Tartary or the Japanese seas, but pursued his course to Maouna, one of the Navigator islands.

The loss of La Pérouse will ever be a source of regret, and his exertions insure to his memory the admiration of all civilized nations. The respect he shows for our immortal Cooke, and other navigators who preceded him in his honourable employment, sufficiently prove the candour of his mind and superiority to national prejudices. Nor, while this just tribute of applause is paid to his liberality, should we, as Englishmen, forget the interest which his Government took in the success of Captain Cooke's voyage. The benevolent will ever with pleasure recollect, that, even amidst the horrors of war, an exemption from them was allowed in favour of an enterprize which was intended

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tended to promote a further knowledge of the globe, to fosten the ferocity of our unenlightened fellowcreatures, enlarge the intercourse of mankind, and bind together the remotest nations by the connections of commerce. The extreme caution of the Japanese, and their inflexible obstinacy in excluding any foreigners, except the Dutch, from landing on their territories, are fufficient apologies for the want of knowledge of that empire, observable in the voyages of both the French and English navigators. And if La Pérouse was fearful of intruding upon their coasts, though commanding two frigates furnished with every requifite for defence, and manned with numerous crews, the apprehensions of the English are more allowable, when it is recollected that, after the wreck of the Providence floop, her tender had but thirty-five men as her compliment, and might, from the smallness of her size, have been mistaken by the Japanese for a pirate. The same unremitted jealousy of foreigners feems to have pervaded every place in those feas where the Providence touched at; and although the defires of the crew for wood and water were readily complied with, yet any wish of exploring the interior of the country, and of gaining a more perfect knowledge of its government, produce, and manners, was invariably and pertinaciously resisted.

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Kæmpfer, in his description of Japan, dwells much upon the stormy nature of the seas which surround it; and they have been proverbially reckoned the most dangerous in the world. La Pérouse, though he made his voyage in the midst of summer, in two large frigates full of boats, and surnished with every necessary for such voyages, complains much of the thick sogs and bad weather, and of the danger of being embayed before his return. After the loss of the Providence sloop, the English navigator had only a schooner of 80 tons, with one small boat, to encounter such perils, and that not in the summer season, but in the midst of equinoctial gales, and the most unfavourable time of the year.

After this fhort summary of what it has done for the promotion of geography and navigation, the following voyage is submitted to the public. It is a true unexaggerated statement of nautical occurrences; nor are there any inserted which are not sounded on fact, and the strictest regard to veracity. If the reader only looks for amusement he will probably be disappointed; but it is presumed that he may gain some nautical information. Such voyages, as those in the collection of Prevost for instance, are desective by their omission of astronomical and nautical remarks,

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which, though they may be detailed with dry, minute, and ferupulous accuracy, are never failing fources of inftruction to the navigator and man of science.

The Providence floop of war was of 400 tons in burthen, carried 16 guns, and her compliment was 115 men. On her leaving England she was supplied with provisions for two years, and every necessary article that was required. Every thing, which in fimilar voyages had been found of utility, was liberally granted by the Admiralty, in regard to articles of barter, and the preservation of the seamens' health; and it is only to be lamented that the unfortunate shipwreck of the Providence, by the loss of so many irretrievable requisites for such a voyage, should have rendered it in any degree incomplete. The ship's company confifted entirely of young men, who were univerfally fober, attentive, and well-behaved; and here it is melancholy to relate, how very few of them ever revisited their native country, as may be feen by the following lift of their names and fate.

# LIST OF THE NAMES

OF THE

Officers, Sailors, and Marines, embarked on board H. M. Sloop Providence, under the Command of Captain Broughton.

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Names and Qualities.
Willin. Robt. Broughton, Commander,

Zachary Mudge, ist Lieutenant,

G. J. F. Young, 2d Lieutenant, James G. Vashon, 3d Lieutenant,

William Chapman, Master,

John Floud, Surgeon,

George Young, Lieutenant of marines,

John Crosley, Astronomer, William Mitchell, Boatswain,

William Forster, Carpenter,

John Cawley, Master's mate,

John J. Haywood, Midshipman,

Reginald B. Hopkins, ditto,

James B. Boyde, ditto,

Lord George Stuart, ditto, Honourable Alexander Jones, ditto, T. Coulston, Carpenter, Surg. 2d mate, Time when and Place where discharged, &c. 28th May 1798, Discharged at Trin-

comalee to return home 10th June 1797, Went home with leave

from China 11th June 1797, Ditto

23d May 1798, Discharged per sentence of Court-Martial

28th May 1798, Discharged to H. M. Ship Trident

28th May 1798, Discharged to H. M.

Ship Orpheus 10th June 1797, Went home with leave from China

10th June 1797, Discharged at China 13th — Went home with leave

from China 28th May 1798, Discharged at Trin-

comalce 28th May 1798, Discharged to H. M.

Ship Suffolk 28th May 1798, Discharged to H. M.

Ship La Sybille 28th May 1798, Discharged to H. M. Ship Victorious

10th June 1797, Went home with leave from China

10th June 1797, Ditto

10th Ditto

Stephen

Names and Qualities. Time when and Place where discharged, Sc. Stephen Bones, Clerk, 28th May 1798, Discharged at Trincomalee John Dining, Master at arms, 10th June 1797, Discharged at China George Raudal, Carpenter's mate, 28th May 1798, Discharged at Trincomalce to H. M. Ship Suffolk Edward Miller, ditto, 28th May 1798, Ditto Thomas Belcher, Boatswain's mate, Ditto ditto Martin Neal, ditto, Ditto ditto Joseph Mott, ditto, Ditto ditto Thomas Morrison, Gunner's mate, Ditto ditto Robert Miller, ship's Corporal, Ditto ditto Charles Bruce, Sail-maker's mate, Ditto ditto John Oldroyd, able Seaman, Ditto ditto David Henderfon, ditto. Ditto ditto James Steel, ditto. Ditto ditto John Graham, ditto, Ditto ditto William Bryan, ditto, Ditto ditto Andrew Mitchell, ditto, Ditto ditto John Williams, ditto. Ditto ditto John Wilson, ditto, Ditto ditto Matthew Leonard, ditto. ditto Ditto Thomas French, ditto, Ditto ditto James Edwards, ditto. Ditto to His Majesty's Schooner Providence Thomas Stevens, ditto, 28th May 1798, Ditte ditto Nathaniel Ireland, ditto, Ditto ditto John Hopkins, ditto, Ditto to return home James Donald, ditto, Ditto ditto Samuel Redriff, ditto, 25th March 1795, Died at fea Hugh M'Donald, ditto, 16th June 1795, Killed by falling from the main-topfail yard Patrick Sherry, Landsman, 6th June 1796, Killed by falling from the mizen top Daniel Dell, private Marine, 30th July 1796, Killed by the natives of Onehow Jonathan Bird, ditto, 30th July 1796, Ditto ditto

Hans Oldson, able Seaman,

John Delahoyde, ditto,

Robert Ogilvy, Master's mate,

Robert

Sept. 29th, Killed by accident at Infu

June 1797, Loft in H. M. Ship Swift

- Ditto

# A LIST OF THE NAMES, &c.

Names and Qualities.	Time when and Place where difeharged, &c.			
Robert Mearing, Midshipman,	June 1797,	Died on board		
Francis Coufins, Surgeon's first mate,		Loft in H. M. Ship Swift		
William Clerk, Captain's mate,		Ditto ditto		
George Cadman, Carpenter's crew,		Ditto ditto		
David Starke, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
George Allen, Gunner's mate,		Ditto ditto		
John Thomson, Quarter-master,	-	Ditto ditto		
Henry Jones, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Peter Swords, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
William Owen, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Robert Gamble, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
William Coleman, able Seaman,		Ditto ditto		
Thomas Capper, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Henry Shewman, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Abraham Graves, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
David Stevens, ditto,	<del></del>	Ditto ditto		
Robert Burn, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Alexander Graham, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
James Clerke, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
William Dring, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Peter Murry, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
John Davis, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Joseph Kennedy, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
John Moon, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Alexander Ducas, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
James Butcher, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Benjamin Braid, Corporal of marines,		Ditto ditto		
John Cook, Drummer,		Ditto ditto		
James Wilkie, private Marine,		Ditto ditto		
Joseph Whiles, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Francis Clerk, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
William Julford, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
John Lloyde, ditto,	<del></del>	Ditto ditto		
William Hertekoal, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Peter Johnson, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
John Haiton, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
John Bacon, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
William Bacon, ditto,		Ditto ditto		
Thomas Westwood, ditto,		Ditto ditto		

John

Names and Qualities.	Time when and Place where discharged, Se.					
John Pickwick, Marine,	June 1797. Loft in H. M. Ship Swift					
William Thomas, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
Thomas Horn, ditto,	July 14th, Died at fea on board the Schooner					
William Walker, Carpenter's crew,	Killed by accident at China on board the					
Thomas Mullen, Gunner,	Killed by accident on his passage from China to England					
Alexander Bishop, Cook,	1798, Died in the hospital at the Cape of Good Hope					
John Garland, Quarter-master,	13th June 1797, Discharged at China to the True Briton, Indiaman					
John Outridge, Armourer,	3d Jan. 1798, Discharged at China to H. M. Ship Sybille					
Joseph Grimshire, Cook's mate,	14th June 1797, Discharged at China to					
James Long, able Seaman,	14th June 1767, Ditto ditto					
John Martin, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
Samuel Hudson, ditto,	Packet Ditto to the Crefcent					
William Anderson, ditto,	10th June 1797, Ditto to the Glatton Indiaman					
William Eastwood, ditto,	10th June 1797, Ditto ditto					
Edward Carpenter, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
William Smith, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
William Hurvart, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
Miles Kimber, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
Solomon Pollock, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
Samuel Reed, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
Thomas Allen, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
Robert Shaw, Landsman,	Ditto ditto					
Joseph Bernard, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
Joseph Ashton, ditto,	Ditto ditto					
John Lawfon, able Seaman,	21st Run from the Schooner					
	at Macao					
Thomas Graham, ditto,	21st June 1797, Ditto ditto.					

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# COMPLEMENT OF THE PROVIDENCE.

Captain,	1
Lieutenants,	3
Master,	I
Boatswain,	1
Carpenter,	1
Surgeon,	I
Gunner,	1
Master's Mates,	3
Midshipmen,	6
Surgeon's Mates,	2
Captain's Clerk,	I
Master at Arms,	1
Corporal,	I
Armourer,	ľ
Sail-maker,	x
Boatswain's Matcs,	3
Carpenter's ditto,	3
Gunner's ditto,	2
Carpenter's Crew,	3
Cook,	I
Cook's Mate,	r
Quarter-Masters,	6
Able Seamen,	47
Landsmen,	4
Marines.	
Lieutena	I
Corporal,	1
Drummer,	1
Privates,	16
	114
Astronomer,	1
Total,	115
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## VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY

TO THE

# NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

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The Navy-board recommended his Majesty's ship Providence for the voyage on which I was to be employed. She had been commanded by Captain Bligh, and had lately returned from the West Indies after beautiful between the beautiful beautiful

BOOK I. CHAP. I. BOOK I. 1793. having conveyed the bread-fruit there from Otaheite. This ship had been originally intended for the West-India trade, and was purchased by Government on the stocks, for the express purpose of bringing the bread-fruit trees from the South Seas, in which fervice the had been engaged for two years. She was riverbuilt, of about 420 tons in burthen, and was fingly fleathed with copper, though I think it would be proper, that all flips employed in distant voyages fhould be flieathed with wood, and coppered over the fleathing. The Providence was taken into dock at Deptford for one tide, and thence transported to Woolwich, at which yard she was ordered to be fitted. On the 3d October 1793, I received my appointment to command her, and the same day commissioned the ship. The sitting her out detained us at Woolwich the remainder of the year; and early in 1794, the ship being ready, we dropped down to Gravefend, as a more convenient place for entering feamen. Here we remained till the end of March, when we proceeded to the Nore, faluting Vice-Admiral Dalrymple, whose stag was slying on board the Sand-During the month of April we completed our complement with volunteers from the Sandwich; and having orders to proceed to Spithead, we accordingly

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failed with a convoy of merchantmen under our pro-During the night, in passing through the tection. Gull Stream, the pilot run the ship upon the Brake Sand: we were not able to heave off till the morning's tide, when, foon after, we anchored in the Downs, the ship appearing to have received no damage. Vice-Admiral Peyton's flag was flying on board the Leopard, which we faluted; and in the evening, our fhip and the convoy worked through the Downs to the westward, with a light westerly wind. In the night the wind drew round to the eastward, and we made all fail at day-light, repeating fignals for the convoy to do the fame. We patled through the grand fleet lying in Sand-down Bay, under the command of Lord Howe; and anchored at Spithead, having faluted Admiral Sir Peter Parker, whose flag was flying on board the Royal William. During the month of May the fhip was docked, but had received no damage in her passage to the Downs: she continued in every respect ready for sea; and the ship's company, as well as the officers, were paid their wages to the end of July. In this month his Majesty visited Portsmouth, to view the grand fleet after the action of the 1st of June; and every captain had the honour of being presented to him.

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## A VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY

1794. CJ ober 2d. I received my orders, which were fecret, with an additional one to put myfelf under the command of Captain Drury, of his Majesty's ship Trusty, and to proceed to sea with his convoy, then bound for the Mediterranean; nor was I to separate as long as our courses were the same.

We failed from St. Helen's with a fine breeze from the eaftward. After clearing the Channel the wind veered to the N. W. when the Trufty ordered us to proceed to Falmouth. In the night we feparated from the men of war, and reached Falmouth; when, not feeing the Trufty, we failed for Plymouth Sound, where we found her and the convoy at anchor. Vice-Admiral M'Bride's flag was flying on board the Minotaur, and Rear-Admiral Cotton's flag on board the Cambridge in the harbour.

November. During this month, the gales were firong and the weather variable; and as we were anchored in Cawfand Bay, we could not have joined the convoy, had they gone to fea from the Sound with an eafterly wind: we therefore endeavoured to work into the Sound; but the fhip milling flays off Red Point, we came to with both bowers all flanding in foul ground, not the length of two cables from the fhore. In this unpleafant fitu-

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ation we were prevented moving by ftrong eafterly winds, till the mafter-attendant, Mr. Hemmings, brought an anchor lighter to windward of us, and, fending the end of a cable on board, we were enabled to heave off in fafety, and run in between Duke's Island and the Main.

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We continued in this flation till the following month, when we run into the Sound. During January 1795, the weather was cold, with frequent gales. Rear-Admiral Parker, in his Majesty's ship Raisonable, made the signal for failing.

1 795. January 29th.

In the night we had a strong gale from W. N. W. parted our best bower cable, drove on board a transport, sprung the cathead, and damaged the main channels. Moderate weather, the next day, enabled us to recover the anchor and splice the cable. We again moored the ship, as there was no probability of sailing till the wind came to the N. E.; when the signal was made for unmooring, and for all officers to repair on board.

February 5th.

The whole fleet was under way; nor could any wind have been more favourable than this from the North, as it enabled every fhip from Hamoaze and Catwater

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Catwater to proceed to fea, amounting to more than 400 fail, which had been detained equally with ourfelves fince October. As we flood out to fea, we obferved the grand fleet under the command of Lord Howe waiting for the convoy.

The wind and weather were favourable; the Lisoth. zard Point at noon bore from us W. by S.; our obferved lat. 50° 13′ 30° N. The convoy from Falmouth joined us.

In the evening the grand fleet, confifting of 34 fail igth. of the line and feven frigates, parted company with us. The convoy for Portugal separated also the next morning, with the Trusty and Fly sloop. We continued with the West-India convoy, consisting of the Raifonable, Medufa, Iris, Cormorant, the Dromedary store-ship, and 200 sail of merchant vessels.

Fresh gales from the S. W. obliged us to reduce our 21st. fails, and difperfed the merchant ships.

The wind kept increasing, and veered to the N. W. 22d.

The gales were ftrong and variable from the S. W.: 24th. the following day it was calm; but on the next to that, that, the gale commenced again from the West and N. W. This bad weather separated half the convoy.

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We parted company with Admiral Parker's fleet, failing with the Iris frigate, Reliance, and Supply. We generally found our ship fail as well as the merchantmen.

March

With a fine breeze from the eastward, we pursued our course to the south.

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Early in the morning, faw the Canary Islands; at noon, the Peak of Tenerisse bore N. 88° 30′ W. Baffling winds prevented our anchoring till the morning of the 6th, when we came to off Santa Cruz in 35 sathoms; the Church bearing West, Punta de Nago E. by N. As our stay was likely to be short, we did not moor. In paying our respects to the Governor, he made some trifling excuse for not inviting us to his table; we however met with that civility, and many others, from Mr. Rooney, an Irishman, who had been settled here some years. The contractor, Mr. Calloghan, supplied us with excellent wine for the ship's company, and beef daily. We also took some live cattle on board. Vegetables were in great plenty: onions and potatoes were the most salutary and useful

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BOOK I. 1795. March. for fea-store. The soil of the country, as far as I could perceive, is rocky, very scarce, and covered with stones; yet vegetables grow here with a considerable degree of vigour and luxuriancy, principally arising from the fertile quality of the volcanic mould. Fresh water is good here, and may be procured in great quantities for shipping. Landing is often difficult, on account of the surf that breaks on the shore. Some few days before we made this island, the slying-sish first appeared. Owing to the very heavy surf, there was little communication with the shore.

Sth. The Iris and her convoy failed.

We failed from Tenerifie with light airs from the S. W. quarter, baffling at times in every direction; nor did we lose fight of the Peak till the 16th, when at noon the wind veered to the northward, and continued a steady breeze. The Reliance and Supply were our inseparable companions. The island of Gomera bore from N. 20° E. to N. 60° E., and the island of Ferro N. 50° W. distant 10 or 12 leagues.

Cape de Verd Islands: at noon the fouth-west point bore S. 8° E. sive or six leagues. Its lat. 17° 0′ 46″ N. long.

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long. 25° 16′ 26″ W. The fleady fresh trade-wind soon	CHAP.
carried us out of fight of this island, and we purfued	
a S. S. E. courfe.	March.

Died Samuel Redriffe, a fine young lad of 18 years of age: a fever of only three days' continuance was the cause of his death.

Sultry weather. The wind variable from N. to 29th. N. W. Frequent calms impeded our progress: at intervals the squalls were heavy, with thunder, lightning, and rain.

We croffed the equator with gentle breezes from April 8th. the S. E.

The trade-wind became fresh and steady; our course 11th. S. S. W. a very good one.

Wind more easterly, and continued E. S. E. when to fouthward of 10° S. latitude.

Made the island of Trinidad; at noon it bore of us S. 41° E. Observed lat. of this island 21° 21′ 41″ S. long. 29° 29′ E. of Greenwich.

We loft fight of the land in the afternoon; next day 13d. had light airs from the N. E. The wind foon veered

to the East, and became steady. As we purposed to reach Rio Janeiro, we steered more to the westward, and in lat. of 23° S. shaped our course due West, in search of an island said to lie in that parallel.

- May 1st. Variable winds in all directions. At day-light five strange ships were discovered: they proved to be Brazil merchantmen bound to Lisbon, and had left Rio Janeiro sive days before.
  - Early this morning the land was feen, and at noon Cape Frio bore N. by W. eight or nine leagues; at the fame time, we founded in 70 fathoms fine fand. By our observations we place this Cape in the lat. of 22° 59′ 41″ S. long. 41° 53′ 12″ E.
  - 7th. The variableness of the weather prevented our reaching the entrance of Rio Janeiro harbour before this day, when we came to an anchor in 28 fathoms fandy bottom. Round Island S. 88° W.; Sugar-loaf Hill N. 55° W.; extremes of Brazil coast from N. 64° E. to S. 64° E. The weather was now calm.
  - weigh; but calm weather obliged us to anchor in the entrance of the harbour. The next day we were

were more fortunate, coming to an anchor within the ifland of Cobras in 51 fathoms. There were lying here a Portugueze frigate, and feveral merchant fhips of different nations. The Reliance, Captain Hunter, faluted us coming in, which we returned with an equal number of guns.

CHAP. I. 1795. May.

We remained at Rio Janeiro till this day, having employed ourselves in overhauling the rigging, caulking the ship, and preparing for sea in every other The ship's crew were constantly supplied respect. with fresh provisions; and we purchased at a reasonable rate wine, rum, and fugar. In the procuring of those articles we had every indulgence we could wish for: but we had also the mortification to be watched by guard-boats day and night; nor could any officer land unless he was attended by a Portugueze officer of equal rank. These restrictions were so unreasonably fuspicious, that I went but once on shore, except with Governor Hunter to pay our respects to the Viceroy. The foil about Rio Janeiro is generally good, producing great crops of oranges, pine-apples, melons, fugarcanes, and other tropical plants. There is a great variety of birds; fuch as parrots, cockatoos, fea-fowl, tropic and men-of-war birds. There are feveral kinds of the monkey tribe; one remarkably fmall, called

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the weshtu, scarcely seven inches in length. As Captain Hunter's ships were not ready I proceeded to sea alone, taking his orders for Port Jackson; as I intended, in consequence of the lateness of the season, to proceed to the South Seas by Van Diemen's land. The situation of Rio Janeiro is in lat. 22° 55′ 17″ S. and long. 42° 51′ 16″ E.

A breeze fpringing up from the north-eastward, we foon loft fight of the Brazi<sup>1</sup> coast.

A fine gale carried us to the fouthward rapidly; and in the latitude of 31° S. the wind veered to N. and N. W. We shaped our course S. E., reducing our sails as the gale increased.

June 2d. We had a large following sea, the wind increasing to a strong gale at S. W.

A firong breeze at N. W. with continual rain. In the latitude of 40° S. we steered East, intending to make 7th. Gough's Island, and six its situation. A heavy gale from the N. N. W. obliged us to bring the ship to the wind in the morning. After laying to under a balanced mizen four hours, we again bore away as the violence of the gale subsided.

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The gale from the West returned with redoubled violence; and as the ship had not sufficient velocity through the water to escape the sea, we again brought to under a mizen stay-sail. In the evening the weather became more moderate, and we bore away.

CHAP. I. 1795. June.

At 1½ past noon, we discovered Gough's Island bearing East five or fix miles. Our observation at noon made the lat. 40° 19′ S., which was indifferent. The gale increased; yet being desirous of making further remarks upon the island, at 1½ past 3 we brought to the wind under the lee of it, bearing from us N. N. W. The sea was irregular and consused; during the night the gale subsided; our soundings were at 155 fathoms. No observation at noon.

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The following day we were equally unlucky, the weather being rainy and hazy; and as there was no chance of its clearing, we refumed our course to the eastward. The breezes were strong at N. N. W. and the rain constant. Gough's Island is high and much broken, not more than two or three miles in circumference or extent. We could not perceive the least sign of vegetation; but as the weather prevented landing, we could not make the remarks we wished, and our idea of its circuit is even doubtful. By our time-

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time-pieces we place it in the lat. 40° 19′ S. and long.

9° 27′ W.; which may err two or three miles, as the horizon was very confused.

Strong breezes from the N. N. W. We steered to the East, preserving nearly the parallel of lat. 41° 30. S. although we could not get an observation more than once in three days. The weather became more moderate, with the wind variable to the S. W. after we got into east longitude.

The wind again returned to its old quarter with increasing violence: in reesing the main-topsail, Hugh MacDonald sell oss the yard upon the deck, and was most unfortunately killed on the spot. About this time we had the first appearance of the albatross, and the beautiful bird called the pintado or Cape pigeon; also great numbers of sea-gulls, sheerwaters, &c.

July 1st. The breeze was variable at East and S. E., with foggy weather. Several seals came about the ship, and we passed some rock-weed. A very severe gale from the N. and N. W. attacked us; and in the forenoon, to avoid the sea, we sured the foresail, and brought the ship to the wind under a storm stayfail, it blowing tremendously hard from the N. W. quarter, and raining

raining violently. In the night we carried away the tiller.

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Light breezes and cloudy weather induced us to get up the top-gallant masts and yards; and we set all our small sails, which had been of very little use during this turbulent passage.

Wind at S. S. E. increased to a strong gale; ship was under storm staysails; squalls, always attended with rain.

Fresh breezes and cloudy weather; lat. 44° 18′ S. August 2d. At 1 P. M. we saw Van Diemen's land generally covered with snow; it bore N. by E., the wind at N. N. E.: at noon the extremes bore from N. 5° W. to 62° W.; lat. 44° 5′ S.

In the evening the land bore from N. 54° W. to 71° W.; and the wind remaining at North prevented us feeing any more of it, as we had only to keep our wind to the eastward. We steered N. N. W., intending to make Furneaux Isle, and explore the unknown space between it and Cape Howe, if the wind permitted.

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Strong gales from the East; by which we continued our course to the North, not having been able to make Furneaux's Island. At sunset we saw the land, and altered our course to N. N. E. in consequence; the next morning we had the mortification to find ourselves deceived, as we had clear weather, and nothing to prove that we were near the coast of New Holland: lat. 34° 50 S.

- The wind from the N. W. blew direct from the land. We were to the North of Port Jackson.
- At day-light made the land to the N. W. of us; at noon we had clear fine weather, and Cape Hawke bore N. 88° W. The extremes of coast from S. 22° 30′ W. to N. 2° E. Observed lat. 32° 11′ S.
- Hawke bore N. 25° W. Islands off Port Stephens S. 71° W. Lat. 32° 38′ S.
- If the wind ftill remaining fixed in the S. W. quarter, I found there was no chance of beating to the fouthward: I therefore determined to enter the port which was in our power. We entered in fafety Port Stephens, and anchored in 5½ fathoms fandy bottom.

Points

Points of entrance were open from S. 12° E. to 85° E. We fleadied the flip with the ftream anchor, and fent the boats in fearch of water. We remained here one week, and completed our watering from a lake on the northern fhore with great facility. During our ftay, we had frequent intercourse with the natives. They were the same race of people as those described to inhabit Port Jackson and Van Diemen's land. They were inoffensive, quiet, and docile; and whenever we approached them, removed their women and children. We found here refiding with the natives four Englishmen, who had deferted in a boat from Port Jackson five years before. Five came originally, but one had died; those that remained were miserable half-starved objects, depending on the hospitality of the natives for their fubfiftence, who occasionally supplied them with a part of their provisions, at all times in no great abundance with the inhabitants. Notwithstanding the wretched state in which they existed, the man who had enticed them to defert refused to come on board. We collected fome articles to leave with him to make his fituation more comfortable; but in the meanwhile, being affured he should be well treated, and probably not fusier for his former conduct, he agreed to come off with the others. One or two of these men were married, and left their wives and children with little

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The foil round Port Stephens is composed chiefly of fand and decayed vegetables, though in the fwamps it is rather of a better kind; but upon the whole the nature of the place is very barren, and unfit for any great degree of cultivation. The fea produces a good variety of fish; fuch as mullet, toad-fish, a kind of torpedo, flounders, &c. In the woods, were feveral species of beautiful paroquets; and a small bird of a brown plumage, fomewhat refembling the Java fparrow. The quadrupeds that we faw were the kangaroo, dogs, &c. On the beach we observed a variety of curiously marked shells; such as the buccinum or whelk, limpets, muscles, oysters, and beautiful specimens of the Venus shell. The natives live chiefly upon fish, fern roots, dog's flesh; and should a dead whale happen to drift upon the shore, it forms a most delicious repast for them. The astronomer made the following observations on shore at the watering place abreast of the ship:

Lat. by mean of 4 merid. alt. of the @ -	32° 41' 33" S.
Long. by mean 4 time-keepers	151° 44′ 44″ E.
Long. by mean 12 fets of lunar distances	152° 4' 47"
Long. by mean diff. of long. between this place and Port Jackson, taking the longitude of Port Jackson at 151° 10′ 3″ E. that being the mean between Sign. Mallespina and Mr. Crosley, and the diff. by the 4 watches in long. at 33° 46′ W.	151° 43′ 49″

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At noon we hoisted in the boats, and made fail to the fouthward with the wind eafterly. Port Stephens bore N. 76° W. and the extremes of land N. 24° E. to S. 75° W.: lat. 32° 51'S. At midnight we tacked to the northward till daylight, when we again steered to the South and S. S. W. as the wind permitted. We had 70 fathoms water: the forenoon was hazy, the weather rainy, and wind increasing, with every prospect of a gale from the S. E. which blew directly upon the land. We carried all fail to fecure our port before dark. At noon the figual-house on the South head of Port Jackson harbour bore S.32° W., and we weathered the North head half a mile by carrying a press of fail; ‡ past noon we were in the entrance of the harbour, and at 1 P. M. in running up, a pilot came In the afternoon we moored with our bower cables in Sydney Cove, and struck yards and topmasts. In the night, the gale (as predicted) increafed to a perfect hurricane, and continued the next day with extreme violence; nor could we fend a boat on fhore. We could not be too thankful for our fafety: for had we remained at fea, most probably the fhip never would have cleared the land; as at no time from our run here, were we more than two leagues from the coast. We found Major Paterson, commanding the New South Wales corps, acting as goverCHAP.
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1795. August. nor; who received us in the most welcome manner, thewing us every civility and attention in his power. Indeed I in particular cannot sufficiently express my gratitude for the hospitality shewn to me both by Major Paterson and his lady during our long stay here. We immediately commenced resitting the ship, caulking her within and without, together with overhauling the rigging, &c., and landed tents at Cattle Point for the astronomer to ascertain the rates of the time-pieces. The hauling the seine was continually in use for supplying the ship's company with sish; and by order of Major Paterson, we daily and amply received vegetables for our people by sending a boat to Garden Island.

September 8th. Governor Hunter arrived with his ships, having been 97 days from Rio de Janeiro.

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We faluted his excellency Governor Hunter with 13 guns, on reading his commission that appointed him Captain General of New South Wales, &c. &c.

October 6th.

The ship being ready for sca we unmoored and shifted our birth to the Fair Way, cheering the Reliance as we lest the Cove.

We took our final leave of Port Jackson in the morning: at noon the fouth head of Broken Bay bore N. 34° W., lat. 33° 50' S.; North head, Port Jack-During our flay we entered feveral fon, S. 88° W. good feamen from merchant flips and the colony to complete our complement: our ship's company was in perfect health. We abstained from following the example of other ships that have touched at this colony, by not taking away any of the convicts: a practice very general in merchant thips, which has tended to corrupt the morals of the South Sea islanders; for in the voyages of the traders to the north-west coast of America, these men have generally deserted by the way, stopping either at the Society or Sandwich The foil round Port Jackson is light and fandy generally; though, in the more inland parts of the country, it is much better, and produces good crops of Tropical fruits do not corn and other vegetables. answer well here, it being too cold in the winter season; fuch as have arrived from the Cape grow luxuriantly. The bread-fruit and cocoa-nut have lately been brought here, but did not fucceed. Plantains and the fugar-cane have done better, but in all probability will never arrive to any great degree of perfection. There are feveral kinds of other fruits and vegetables which might deferve a trial here; fuch as goofcberries CHAP.
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and currants, a greater variety of apples, pears, plums, limes, peaches, &c. Experiments might also be made of the tarro root, yams, and fweet potatoes. Annual and perennial flowers are fill defiderata here. The birds of this place are of feveral kinds; fuch as the black and white cockatoo, variety of paroquets, crows, gulls, shags, &c. The emu is a bird belonging to the genus of the caslowary, grows to a large fize, and like the rest of the genus is unable to fly. Quadrupeds are chiefly the kangaroo of two kinds, opoflums, flying fquirrels, mice, kangaroo rats, and a species of ferret. Reptiles are fnakes, fome of a large fize, guianoes, lizards, frogs, &c. The bays are well-stored with fish; such as falmon, cels, mullet, the leather jacket, flounders, &c. The shores contain oysters, muscles, conchs, and other shellfish. Sharks are fometimes caught here of a large fize, which produce the only oil the people have to ufe.

The following aftronomical observations were made on shore at Cattle Point; one of those forming Sydney Cove, and where the Spaniards had before fixed their observatory;

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Lat. by mean of merid. alt. of the O	-	33° 51′ 474" S.	CHAD
Long. from mean of 90 fets 45° to the East	-	151° 9' 48" E.	
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Variations by compass	•	o' East.	October.

The flag-staff on the South head bearing by compass N. 73° 45′ E.; distant seven miles.

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Paffage to Otaheite.—Remarks there.—Arrival at the Sandwick Islands-at Mowec .- Its wretched State .- At Wohakoo .- Vifit of Tamaahmaah .- Account of the Wars and Ambition of that Chief .- Anchor in Yam Bay .- Onchow.

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 ${f W}_{\scriptscriptstyle E}$  directed our course to the North of New Zcaland, intending to touch at Otaheite in our route to Nootka Sound. At 3 P. M. the land extended from N. W. 1 West to West, and we soon after lost fight of the coast.

In lat. 33° 10' S. and long. 169° E. the S. W. wind roth. changed to a gale from the N. E. quarter. It was of no continuance; for on the following day it

veered to N. W., and we again purfued our eastern courfe.

In 32° 51' S. and 175° E. the winds were northerly, with moderate weather, continuing at N. E. till this day, when the wind again veered to the N. W. with 24th. a strong breeze.

Wind

Wind now altered to the N. N. E.; our lat. 34° 15′ C. S. and long. 189° 35′ E. by the time-piece agreeing with our accounted longitude.

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We flood to the Northward, as the wind became more easterly; lat. 35° 45' S. and long. 192° 30' E.

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It blew fo hard as to oblige us to lay to under the main-fail. The gale moderated: we wore fhip at noon and flood to the S. E. in lat. 32° 46′ and 192° 25′ long.

November 2d.

In 50° 33′ S. and 197° 53′ E. we flood to the S. E., having had no observations since the 9th for the lat.; we found ourselves 1° 30′ further north than we expected, in which direction only we had experienced any current: bar. 7° 49′ E. In the night we stood to the Northward; lat. 31° 27′ S. and long. 197° 27′ E. The wind grew more favourable for our course, and on this day at noon, in the lat. of 28° 33′ S. and long. by watch 201° 27′ E., we observed distances o and praking the longitude agree nearly with the watch.

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At 2 hours 40 minutes after midnight we made the island of Ohetorea bearing N. E. 6° N., which as it was in our course we stood off for two hours, and again

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tacking made fail towards it. At noon it bore from S. 3° E. to S. 3° W. Our latitude was indifferent; it notes where made 22° 0′ 54″ S. and long. 208° 32′ 48″ E.

Fresh breezes from the Eastward brought us in fight of the island of Otaheite, bearing to the N. N. E. At 11 A. M. we tacked thip, East-point of the land bearing N. N. E.; Low-point, in the centre of the island, N. I. W. off shore; Tiarraboo east point, N. 74° 10′. Lat. observed 17° 47′ 32″ S. long. 210° 44′ 20″ E. Account 208° 53′ E.

The wind foon after noon fprung up favourably for our courfe, and we made all fail. As we passed Ohitepehah Bay we were furrounded by canoes. In the evening at 5 we anchored in 5 fathoms, in Matavai Bay at 8 fathoms; and the next morning, warped into good anchorage. In so doing, we swept an iron stocked anchor, which had belonged to the Bounty, when she cut her cables, and went to sea from the Bay with the remaining mutineers. In the course of the day we raised our tents in Point Venus, to ascertain the rates of the time-pieces, and compleating our water. The natives afforded us every affishance in our various pursuits, and amply supplied us with provisions and vegetables.

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We left Otaheite with moderate breezes and pleafant weather. At noon, Point Venus bore E. I N. three or four miles: we have to, to hoift our boats in, and take leave of our friends. As it gave the natives pleafure, I faluted them with four guns on our departure. Not a man was unwell among the crew, and the decks were full of hogs and vegetables: many of these hogs weighed more than 200 wt. heite, and the manners of its inhabitants, have been fo amply deferibed by preceding navigators, that any further account might be deemed unnecessary. A few observations may therefore be fufficient. The foil of the ifland is excellent, confifting of a reddiff argillaccous loam, fometimes fandy and of a black colour. The inner part of the country being mountainous, its foil is worfe than nearer the fea. Here are various species of trees; and univerfally over the island, abundance of fprings and rivulets. There are great quantities of cruftaceous and teftaceous fish; different species of birds and sea-fowl. Geese are naturalized here; but no European cattle, as far as I could learn, have multiplied at Otaheite excepting goats. natives confider dogs and cats as proper to be eaten.

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At 4 P. M. Point Venus bore S. 53° E. 12 miles; at 5 A. M. we faw the ifland of Tethwroa bearing E 2 from BOOK
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from S. 74° E. to S. 60° E. four or five leagues; the body of Otaheite ifland, S. 20° E.; and the ifland of Eimeo, S. 4° E. The wind continued moderate from the N. E. quarter, and at noon we had no fight of land.

At ½ past 4, P. M. N° 1. made the long. 210° 12′ 05″, when Point Venus bore S. 53° E. 12 or 13 miles; which will make its longitude 210° 32′ E., the same as by Captain Cooke. On the 28th it agreed within 5′ of the longitude of Ohitepeha Bay, the day after we made the island, the elapsed time being only 12 days: of course we had no reason to suppose it had altered its rate since our leaving Port Jackson, and made us the less regret that the astronomer could make no observations on Point Venus, where he was prevented by the striking of the surface which affected the point of land where his tent was raised.

16th

Weather moderate, with flight fqualls at intervals. At ½ past 9 we saw an island upon our weather-beam, bearing N. 78° E.; at ½ past 11 we tacked towards it, and it bore from us at noon E. to E. 19° S., just in tight from the main-top. I estimated its distance to be 5 or 6 leagues. The southern extremity was the highest

highest part, covered with trees, most probably cocoanut from their appearance, as they stood in detached clumps along the shore. These bearings will place it in the latitude of 9° 57′ S. and long. 209° 55′ E.; but it should be recollected, that they were taken by a small compass from the mast-head, the angle subtended by a quadrant.

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Adams 5° 48'
Walker 5° 37'
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The ifland bore from E. ½ S. to S. E. by E. 2° E. about five leagues; it appeared to be low, and covered with trees, and if I am right in its estimated distance, its length will be about five miles in a north and south direction. I named it Carolina Island in compliment to the daughter of Sir P. Stephens of the Admiralty.

17th.

We had a fwell from the N. E. which was not experienced before, and which I attributed to the low iflands that extend in a parallel towards the Marquefas. The Pacific Ocean is covered in fome parts with low iflands, and as the wind blows from them it causes the water to be smooth, for when there is no impediment of land the swell is observed to increase according to the wind.

18th.

BOOK I. 1795. December. 19th. We had feveral birds about us this day, particularly boobies. By the careleffness of my fervant the barometer was rendered useless this morning, as unluckily he had broke the glass tube, a misfortune we could not remedy.

24th. Variations. N° 3, 5° 29' Adams 6° 28' Walker 6" 38' Inspect. 5" Strong trade wind and very pleafant weather, which continued till the 1ft January, 1796, when we came off the Sandwich Islands.

January 1st,

We experienced ftrong breezes and fqually weather, with a fwell from the East. At 2 A. M. we saw the land distinctly. On approaching the western side of Owylee, we lost the trade wind, and the weather became variable with light airs in every direction.

calm and cloudy weather continued during the evening, enabling feveral canoes from the fhore to furnith us with pigs and vegetables. At 10 P.M. a light air fprung up from the land; we fteered along the fhore till day-light, experiencing a ftrong current to the N.W. At 7 o'clock we faw a fail in the N.W. quarter. The natives informed us it was an English

English brig which had failed from the bay in the night.

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Light and variable airs prevented our reaching the bay; I therefore difpatched an officer in the pinnace to gain information refpecting Captain Vancouver, as we underflood there was an American veffel which could give us intelligence of him. The pinnace on her return confirmed what we had before heard, that Captain Vancouver with the Difcovery and Chatham had failed for England. This intelligence was procured from the English brig, who reported that they failed from Valparaifo in July or August 1795 for England, by the way of Cape Horn. We stood to the S. S. W. all night, and at 7 A. M. drifted to the N. W.

4th.

Notwithstanding we had run in for the land 5 leagues by the log, we did not seem to have approached it, and our distance prevented any communication. Light airs and calms alternately prevented us from reaching the shore till the 8th.

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The wind varied to the North, and with the affiftance of boats we anchored in the bay. Here an American brig, the Lady Washington, faluted us with feven guns,

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1796. January. guns, which we returned with five. Our thip was infantly furrounded with canoes filled with women, fruit, and vegetables. In the afternoon we moored with the ftream-anchor in 18 fathoms, the points forming Karakaakooa bay bore from S. 7° W. to W. 3° N.: off fhore 150 fathoms.

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Our tent was pitched in a field adjoining the Morai, for the aftronomer to afcertain the rates of the watches. Lieutenant Young of the Marines, with a corporal and feven privates commanded the party for their protection. The ground being taboo'd, no perfons were permitted to come within the limits, befides the priefts of the Morai: a more retired fituation for the purpose could not have been found.

Since we croffed the equator, the ship had made from two to four inches water per hour, we therefore took this opportunity of finding out the cause, by unstowing the holds and heeling the ship, &c.; all our efforts however proved unsuccessful. The bread room was also cleared, that the weevils might be destroyed by fire, and we were mortised that this could only be effected in some slight degree.

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We fired a falute in honour of her Majesty's birthday. The weather became more favourable for the aftronomer's observations, and on the 20th he got equal altitudes for the first time. From the 26th to the 31st the weather prevented any observations : on the evening of that day he had corresponding altitudes. The tents were immediately flruck, and with the afliftance of double canoes (for our boats could not land) we got every thing from the shore, and failed from the bay at 4 A.M. with the land-wind. During our anchorage in this bay for three weeks, we experienced conflant land-winds during the night, which gradually died away by 8 A.M.; and during the day very light airs and breezes prevailed from the fea. The furf feldom permitted our own boats to land, which put us to no great inconvenience, as the natives readily offered their canoes, which were fafer conveyances. I had every reason to be satisfied with our reception, and the general behaviour of the No theft of confequence was committed, natives. nor any interruption given to our purfuits. Though nearly the whole of the fhip's company were at different times on thore, yet they were never infulted, but treated with uniform good-will and kindness. Ample supplies of hogs for our daily consumption were fent to us from Ta-maah-maah, by the influence

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a British seaman had over him. This man (whose name was John Young) had been refident in the ifland for fix years. Tamaahmaah, with all his chiefs, and fixteen thousand men, had been abfent on an expedition against the islands to the leeward, all of which he had conquered but Atooi. We could not therefore buy any hogs, as thefe chiefs had taboo'd all their property. A blind chief, whose name was Mahoa, carried on the executive power of the frate under the fuperintendance of Young, and conducted himfelf with every attention to our wants. The priefts at the Morai were also particularly kind to the gentlemen flationed there, and the people in general fpoke very highly of Captain Vancouver. From the good impression his conduct made upon them, and the favourable fentiments inculcated by Europeans who have or now do live here, I am led to believe that any veffel may now touch at this ifland in fafety, and be amply supplied with refreshments; as every article of European manufacture is confiderably fallen in value. The cattle left here by Captain Vancouver had bred and were in excellent order: it is probable they will flock the island, as a taboo is placed upon them for ten years. The goats multiply prodigiously; I added a male and female to their number, leaving them under the care of Young, with

with a breed of geefe and ducks: the first lieutenant alfo fpared them his pigeons. Some grape-vines from Port Jackson and vegetable seeds were planted and fown during our flay. Pumpkins and melons were in no great plenty, though we had excellent cabbages weighing near 2 lbs. They had been cultivated at fome diffance, and were brought as a prefent.

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The thermometer on board the ship varied from 74° to 78°; at the tents on shore it was from 79° to 86°. On the 20th January, No. 1. made the longitude of Karakakooa 203° 46′ 45″, which differs only 11′ from the true longitude, as fettled by Captain King and Mr. Bayley; an error only of 11' in 108 days, being the time fince her rate was fettled by Mr. Crofley at Port Jackson.

On the 31st January at noon, N° 1. was flow for mean time at Karakakooa Bay 14 h. 31, 29, 19, and lofing 6".594 per day on mean time.

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The variation on board ship, mean of 3 compasses, 8° 15' E. Do. on shore at the tents, by Adam's large do. 9° 12′ E. N° 1, 203° 47′ 4″ 203° 48' 19" | East by time-keepers. Observations by Pocket 2, the astronomer. Box A, 56, 199° 36' 42" Box E, 48, 204° 44′ 36″) F 2

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BOOK I. 1796. January. The above account will shew what the different watches made the longitude of the Bay, by the rate that was given at Port Jackson. Arnold's box time-piece keeps so uncertain a rate as to render it useless.

Long. of Bay 203° 57' 45" E. by King and Bayley. Lat. of Karakakooa Bay, mean of 6 merid. alt. of fun, 19° 28' 9". 5 N. Mean of 13 distances of Aldebaran west of moon, 204° 27' 30" E.

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With a light wind from the land we run out of the Bay, leaving the American ship at anchor. By 8 A. M. it was calm, and we experienced a current setting us to the N. W. At noon we made the latitude 19° 31′ N.; when the north point of Karakakooa Bay bore S. 72° E. sive or six miles.

Variable winds prevented our reaching the S. W. part of Mowee before funfet, when we came to anchor off the village of Rahina, in 20 fathoms fandy bottom, diffant from the flore about a mile.

As this place feemed a favourable one for procuring fruits and vegetables, we remained here till the 6th, having moderate and light winds, with a ftrong current fetting to the N. W. The village extends two miles along the fhore. Off the western point is a small reef in the direction of the village, which affords a landing

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landing for boats or canoes within it. At each end is an excellent fiream of water; but that to the west is the most convenient for ships, as they can anchor to the West of it in a fine bay with clear ground, at 5 fathoms close in. Our excursions on shore were frequent, and the natives civil. The cultivation was excellent; and the extent of ground made use of for that purpose reminded us of the scenery of our native country. There were the various productions of Tarro, fweet potatoes, melons, fugar-canes, gourds, and pumpkins, amidst groves of the bread-fruit trees and cocoanuts, which univerfally afforded us fluady walking. As this village was the refidence of a Chief, fince dead, it had been entirely deftroyed on the arrival of Tamaahmaah, and presented a spectacle of wretched hovels which sheltered the inhabitants, who occasionally lived there, till the conqueror had made a diffribution of the island among his followers. No hogs were to be feen; and our fupplies were in all respects inferior to our expectations. The anchorage in the bay, abreast of the river, is from 10 to 7 sathoms, in a clear fandy bottom: and fhips may water here with great convenience. The ground is fo clear, that it may be feen in 20 fathoms; and there are feveral fpots within the reefs well adapted for hauling the feine. I fhould, from its local advantages, preBOOK 1. 1796. February. fer this anchorage to any other in the Sandwich Itlands.

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At day-light we got under way, with a light air from the land; by 10 A.M. we were in the paffage between Morotoi and Mowee; and I paft 10, we met the fitrong trade-wind fetting in from the Eaft. At noon we had a fresh gale and clear weather, when the west point of Morotoi bore N. 74° 10′ ten or twelve miles.

7th.

At 2 o'clock P. M. we passed the west point of Morotoi, and steered W. by N. for Wohahoo. At 5 P. M. we were abreaft of the east point of that island; and at 3 past 6 came to an anchor in Whytetce Bay. Tamaahmaah fent off to know if he fhould fire his great guns in honour of our arrival; but I advised him to fave his powder. In the morning he paid us a vifit, attended by all his chiefs, dreffed for the occasion in cloaks and helmet caps. He himself wore European clothes, with a beautiful cloak composed of yellow feathers, which nearly covered him. He made me a prefent of one of his dreffes, and liberally offered supplies of provision and water: neither would he trouble us to fend our boats, but made use of his own canoes for the purpofe. We received from him twenty twenty logs, and fome eqcoa-nuts; but roots and vegetables we could not procure.

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In the morning we got under way, and came to an anchor abreaft of a fmall harbour called Fair Haven, in 16 fathoms fandy bottom. As my only motive for anchoring here was to make a sketch of the harbour, we employed the boats in that fervice for three days. It was discovered by a Mr. Brown, commander of the merchant thip Butterfworth, in 1794. On the 1st of January 1795, he laid at anchor in this harbour, with the merchant veffels, named the Jackall and Prince Lee Boo, which were under his direction: the Butterfworth had been previously fent home. veffels were left in a defencelefs flate, as the crews were on thore falting hogs, &c.; and Mr. Brown implicitly confided in the natives, because he relied on their gratitude to him for his affifting them in their wars. The natives were fully aware of the unprotected flate of the veffels, and boarded them with They killed the commanders, numerous canoes. Brown and Gordon, wounded feveral, and took poffestion of the ships. They then took them out of this harbour into Whytetee bay, where the remaining part of the crews that were on fhore furprifed the natives who had taken possession of the vessels, drove them overboard,

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overboard, and regained the ships, which then sailed for China. Many reasons have been given for this unhappy event; but the principals concerned in the deed having since lost their lives, there is no ascertaining the truth of it. The harbour, though of small extent, is safe and convenient, with 5 sathoms sandy bottom within the spits. It is formed by an opening through the reefs, with a clear channel, in a N. N. E. direction. The wind generally blows fresh out of the harbour, rendering it necessary to warp in, as there is not room for working. A sine stream of fresh water empties itself at the head. It bears S. 57° E. from Whytetce bluff sive or six miles.

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Having completed taking in our water, we got under way, parting with our numerous vifitors who came to us from Whytetee the day after the taboo ceafed. Indeed there was no inducement, as we could not procure refreshments. The fituation of the natives was miserable, as they were nearly starving; and, as an additional grievance, universally insected with the itch. No cultivation was to be seen on shore; and, consequently, little prospect of their future substitute. The attention of Ta-maah-maah was entirely engressed by the vessel which the English carpenters were constructing for him. She was just planking

planking in the harbour as we failed, and was about led 40 tons burthen. In this vessel and his boats it was his his intention to proceed to Atooi, and to complete the his conquetts by the reduction of that ifland. In the invalley above the harbour the decifive battle was ıall fought, that fecured to Tamaahmaah the postession of idy Wohahoo. Tianna was killed in the contest, with 300 ing of his party, who, though they came with Tamaahmaah,  $\mathbf{E}$ . afterwards joined the people of Wohahoo in defence the of their country. Trytooboony and Korokranee, his e is brother, were the principal chiefs of Wohahoo who iter had escaped to Atooi. This Trytooboony was the om chief who, by the affiftance of the unfortunate Mr. Brown's crew, had defeated Tayo, the fupreme chief of Atooi and brother to the former chief of Wohahoo. got Titeree, dead fome time fince, was chief of Mowee, cho and fucceeded by his fon Korokranee. I endeavoured but 000 in vain to diffuade Tamaahmaah from his expedition. M.G His subjects will severely lament his ambition, as it the is impossible that they can ever return to the islands 19: to the windward. It will be their fate to carry famine ted and difease to the territories they may conquer, where on they must remain. European vessels have furnished ure this chief with fo large a fupply of mulkets and amenmunition, together with fome 3 and 4 pounders for "ir-

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attempt; particularly as he has fixteen Europeans with him. His intention was, after the reduction of Atooi, to proceed to Bola Bola, one of the Society islands. An American vessel had left with him three natives of Bola Bola, by whose suggestions, most probably, he had refolved upon the enterprife. During our stay, excepting the taboo day, he resided on board. His wants were very great; he requested his vessel to be rigged, fitted for sea, and made proper in every respect. I affisted him as much as was in my power, but, am afraid, ineffectually. From the best information I could collect, it appeared that Tamaahmaah professed a great friendship for the English, and seemed to speak with abhorrence of the different murders which had been committed without his knowledge; and expressed his determination to prevent them in future, or punish their perpetrators. He mentioned also, that one of the men who had been acceffary to the murders of Mr. Gooch and Lieutenant Hergest had been put to death by his people, and that another had escaped to Mowee. He also explained, that the men who were executed alongfide the Difcovery had not committed those murders, but were unfortunate beings whom the chief felected to fatisfy Captain Vancouver. Tamalmoto, who had taken an American veffel some time since, was always refused

refused admission into our ship. This man openly avows he will take the first vessel he can; though he has been cautioned to avoid those of America, less he should fall a victim to their vengeance. The other chiefs came frequently on board; and by themselves, or deputies, bartered pearls and trinkets: many were purchased, but sew of any quality. The attendants of Tamaahmaah did the same. The object of all seemed to be the acquirement of every thing that was useful; and the liberality of that chief and others, so handsomely recorded by Captain Vancouver, seems to be forgotten in their present eagerness for conquest and dominion.

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The entrance of the harbour is fituated in lat. 21° 18' N.

Long. per watch, N° 1, - - 202° 0' 30" E.

Variation of the compass, - - 9° 40' 40" E. mean 3 compasses.

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to id At noon we observed in the latitude of 21° 16′ 45° N. The mean of two meridian altitudes of the sun in Whytetee bay made the lat. 21° 15′ 35″ N., and the long. per No. 1. 202° 3′ 30″ E.

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I faluted Tamaahmaah with four guns, on his leaving us; and we made fail to the westward with a

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fine breeze from the N. E. quarter. It was fingular we had not discovered this harbour of Fair Haven, when we anchored here in 1792, in the Chatham with the Difcovery, Captain Vancouver: we did not indeed fearch for one, though I remember a break was noticed in the reef as we failed through Whytetee bay. At 6 P.M. the east point of Wohahoo bore N. 9° E. three or four miles, and we fleered N. W. by W. J W. for Atoo. After running 58 miles in that course, we saw the island bearing N. W. by W. to W. three or four leagues distance. We hauled our wind to the North till 7 A. M., when the extremes of land bore from N. 27° W. to S. 30° W. off fhore three miles. After passing some high rocky land, we steered more to the westward. Just to the N. E. of this land there was a finall opening, feemingly favourable for anchorage, but the entrance was exposed to the trade-wind. We had 13 fathoms, after rounding the eastern point, which shoals gradually to within  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a mile of the shore. Soon after noon we came to an anchor in 29 fathoms, fandy and muddy bottom. Unfortunately for us the island was in a state of war. A chief from Wohahoo, named Taava, had taken up arms against Tamoerrie, the fon of Tayo, and at prefent possessed the diffrict about Wymoa. The Europeans of his party came to us; and by their affiftance in employır

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ing the natives, we completed our watering, which we could not effect at Wohahoo. Taava fent us a great abundance of vegetables, and forty hogs of various fizes. He himfelf paid us a vifit, and I made him a fuitable return for his attentions. We perceived feveral canoes under fail, coming round the cast point of the Bay. These, we understood, contained the opposite party, intending to pay us a visit alfo. Taava inflantly left us, with his attendants, on perceiving them. I fent the first Lieutenant to meet Tamoerrie, who came on board in the pinnace, followed by his fquadron: in one of its vessels a swivel was mounted. This young chief presented me with a finall feathered cloak, and remained on board all night: in confequence, we had not any more vifitors from Wymoa.

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We got under way with a moderate land wind, fucceeded by a light fea air, on which we plied to windward. As the wind A.M. came from the North, we fleered to the island of Onehow. The young chief Tamoerrie and his party now left us, feemingly gratified with their presents and reception. He was very anxious to have some powder, but I resisted every application for that article during my stay among these islands. I endeavoured, but in vain, to reconcile the

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the contending parties.—Lat. at anchor, mean of 2 merid. alt. 21° 56′ 18″ N. Long. No. 1. 200° 12′ February. 48″ E.

19th.

We passed the S. F. point of Onehow in 35 fathoms; observed in the latitude of 21° 45′ 50" N., when the S. E. point bore N. 77° 30' E. two or three miles, the extremes to the N. 10° W. We steered along fliore, and at length came to in Yam Bay at 2 P.M. in 29 fathoms, coarfe, fandy bottom. Some canoes came off the next day bartering yams, potatoes, water-melons, and pumpkins: our boat alfo in the evening arrived laden with roots. The weather from the South occasioned a great swell in the Bay, and prevented us from receiving the supplies we had been promifed. However the boat went on fhore with the European who had accompanied us from Atooi for the purpose of collecting yams. But nothing being ready, we got under way and flood out to fea. The wind increased, and we had rain with firong fqualls that fplit the main-topfail. After hoifting in the boats and fecuring the anchor, we flood in shore and bent another main-topfail. The European returned on board, faying every thing was ready; but the furf was fo great that canoes could not reach us without rifque. I therefore gave up

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the idea of anchoring, as there was no probability of doing so while this wind continued, which seemed likely to be the case. The European now lest us in his canoe with some recompense for his attentions: this man had been transported to Botany Bay, and came from thence in an American brig called the Mercury; he deserted from her at this island, and is much courted by Taava, whose cause he has preferred to that of the young chief Tamoerrie.

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The lat. at anchor in Yam bay was 21° 51′ 28″ N. mean of 2 fextants.

Long. at do. per N° 1, - 199° 37′ 24″ E.

Variation of the compass, - 10° 54′ 29″ mean of Adam's and N° 3.

Walker's compass could not stand steady, on account of the ship's motion.

## CHAP. III.

Departure for Nootka Sound.—Search for the Island of Donna Maria Lajara.—Maquina's Vifit at Nootka.—Intelligence of Captain Vancouver.—Stage raised on Shore by the Carpenters, for repairing the Ship.—Excursion to Ship Cove.—At Anchor in Juan de Fuca's Inlet.—Sir Francis Drake's Station 1579.—Arrival at Monterey.—Plan adopted for the Voyage.

BOOK I. 1796. February. 22d. WE failed for Nootka Sound. The ship's crew was generally healthy, excepting those who were infected with the venereal disease, contracted at the Sandwich Islands. The symptoms of this disorder were not very violent.

We altered our course to the West, intending to fearch for an island called Donna Maria Lajara, said to be discovered by a Spanish ship, the Hercules, in 1781; and laid down in Arrowsmith's charts, from the authority of Mr. Dalrymple. The centre of it is situated in 28° 30′ N., and in long. 202° 30′ E. By the chart it is of considerable extent, in a north and south

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our long, at noon 204° 1′30″ E.; and we could fee half a degree to the East. There was a large swell in that direction, but no indication that could induce us to suppose there was land in that quarter. Captain Cooke's track, on his return to the Sandwich Islands, was in 206° E.

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We had now run and feen 5° of long, nearly from 200° East to near 205° E., in the parallel of 28° 30′ N.: the situation of this island must therefore be to the East or West of the above longitude; most probably to the East of 206° E., as Captain Cook passed the parallel in the long, of 200° 15′ E., and many other navigators to the westward of that longitude. I therefore did not think it necessary to cross their tracks, but altered our course to North with a sine breeze at E. S. E.

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Variations. P. M. N° 3.10° 39' E. Adams 13° 1' E.

We fieered N. E. by N.; the wind at South. A large fwell from the S. E. quarter obliged us to pump the fhip every two hours. At midnight the wind thirted to the N. W., and moderated gradually, bringing on fine weather.

<sup>2</sup>7th. Variations. A. M. Azimuth N° 3. 12° 56' Adams 14° 48' E. Infp. 13° 30' E.

After a fuccession of variable, and latterly of very damp weather from the 26th ult., we tried for found-

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1796. March. ings with 100 fathoms of line; and at 8 A. M. faw the land about Nootka bearing N. N. E. When we observed in 49° 9′ 42″ N.; lat. account 49° 22′ N. long, ditto 233° 17′ E. Point breakers N. 8° 10′ four leagues, and the extremes of land from N. 28° W. to N. 58° E. Port San Raphael N. 35° E.

The wind fixing at N. N. E. we anchored in 34 fathoms. The whole country being covered with fnow, had a most desolate appearance. I sent an officer into the cove for intelligence, who returned at noon, and reported there were no vessels in it; and that the spot on which the Spanish settlement formerly stood was now occupied by an Indian village.

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The wind shifting to the West we got under way, and anchored in the Sound at 50 fathoms. Macquinna, the chief of Nootka, paid us a visit here: he and Clupanutch, another chief, brought me several letters, dated March 1795, which informed me that Captain Vancouver sailed from Montercy the 1st December 1794, for England; and that the Spaniards had delivered up the port of Nootka, &c. to Lieutenant Pierce of the Marines, agreeably to the mode of restitution settled between the two Courts. A letter from the Spanish officer, Brigadier Alava, informed me of their

their failing in March 1795, from hence. In the evening we had calm weather, affording us good shelter between an islot and the shore of Nootka, where the ship was made steady with hawsers, and laid in 7 sathoms water. On an examination of the harbour, we found the beach perfectly convenient for laying the ship on shore; we therefore shifted our birth, and warped into Mawinee harbour. At low water we had S½ sathoms, and were protected from all winds.

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Our tents were fixed opposite the ship, and provifions fent there with a guard. In the course of the week our anchors, cables, and 14 guns, were also landed on a convenient stage, which the carpenters had made for that purpose.

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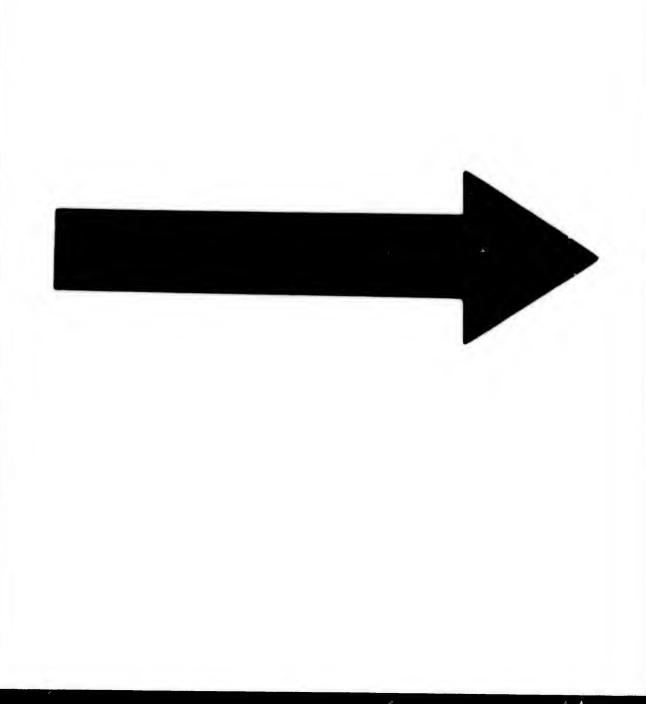
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We visited the Sound to the castward, while another party went to Nootka, where they met with the Lady Washington brig. She had been out 31 days from the Sandwich Islands, and she arrived at this place with the intention of repairing her leaks. Her appearance gave us great pleasure, as we could mutually assist each other.

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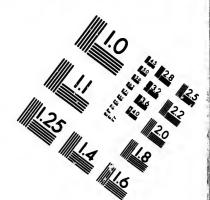
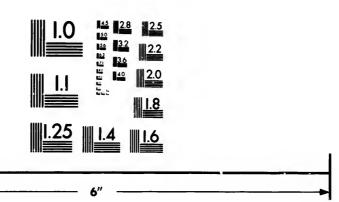
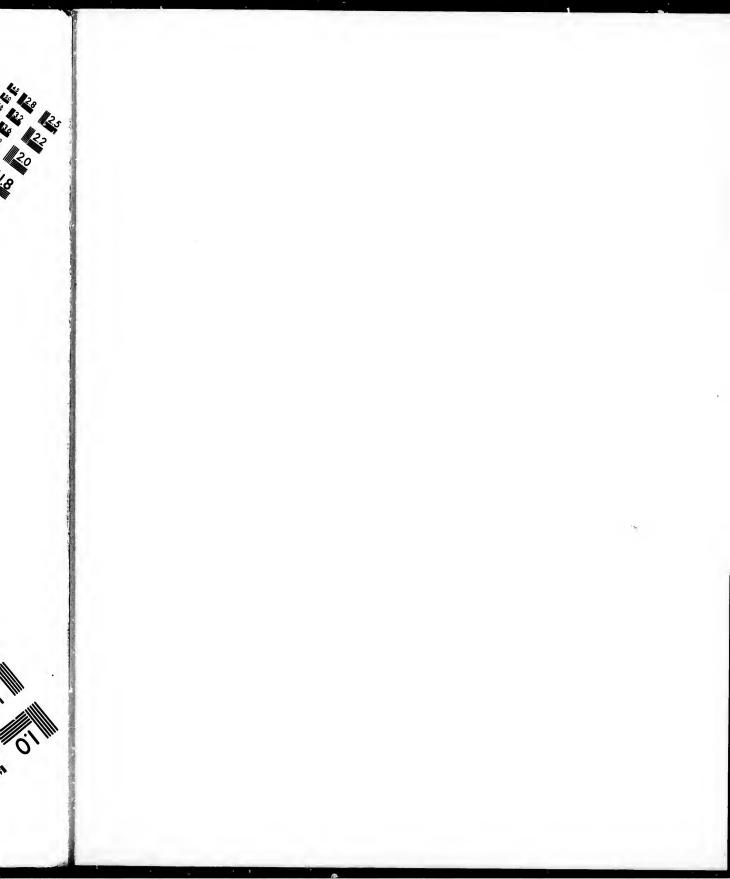


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Fine weather enabled us to prepare the fhip for heaving down, as it was impossible to get at the leak which had troubled us fo long by any other means.

The Lady Washington came along-side; into her we put our spirits, hops, and perishable stores, sitting our capstern on board of her.

18th. The carpenters completed a wharf, ninety feet in length and twelve in height, from which was fufpended a ftage forty feet in length, for the purpose of relading the ship.

We had fine weather, which enabled us to clear the thip of the coals and flingle ballaft.

We hove out the larboard fide as low as the garboard fireak, found 14 feet of the falfe keel carried away, and plugged up a bolt-hole in the ftreak, whence the leak was fupposed to proceed. In the carpenter's opinion, no bolt had ever been drove through the planking to the floor timber, as the augur hole boring remained perfect; nor was there any appearance of decayed iron. The thinness of the copper which covered it had cracked

cracked round the hole, and by that means the water was admitted. It was also exactly in the same place the carpenters had fupposed, on examining the limbers, and whence the coming in of the water was perceived. Indeed there was no other part of the bottom of the thip that appeared to be bad: the copper looked well, though in fome parts much worn. Another bolt below the forechains, was decayed through the planking; and that part which remained indicated that it had been corroded by the copper. The fhip was righted; and four pumps continually worked for three hours, befides bailing with buckets, to free her from the water that had flowed in through her upper works, whilft lying down on the careen. Her draught of water was 9 feet 3 inches forward, and 10 feet 3 inches abaft. When the thip was hove out, only 15 chaldrons of coal and one ton of bread were left in The ftage was taken in from the wharf, the veffel cleaned throughout, and the ftore-rooms and magazines well dried. Windy and rainy weather for feveral days impeded our operations, though in time we received our iron, ballast, &c. Soon after we cleared the Lady Washington brig, and she hauled from us.

C H A P. 111. 1796-April. 1796. May rit. We made an excursion to Ship Cove where Captain Cook remained on his first entering the Sound during the month of April; we seemed to have experienced similar or rather worse weather at the same time of the year. We could discover no vestiges to prove that any ship had ever been there since. During a succession of uncertain weather for some time, at another of savourable days till the 21st inst., we reladed our ship and compleated our watering; when we lest Nootka where we had an opportunity of examining the state of the ship, repairing the leak, and making her in every respect better sitted for the voyage.

The foil of Nootka is generally of a thin confiftence, chiefly composed of a stratum of coarse gravel, and over that another of decayed vegetables. The country is covered with large trees, with a confiderable quantity of brush-wood growing below, producing wild rasberries, &c. Of quadrupeds there are the sea and land otters, grey soxes, bears, deer, and the lynx, together with raccoons, squirrels, &c.: the wild sown abound in vast quantities. The corvus iristatus, which I believe is only sound in North America, is also to be met with here. Whales are frequent-

frequently feen on the coast, and of common fish there are falmon, cod, flounders, &c. On fish the natives chiefly exist, and on vegetables.

CHAP. 111. 1796. May.

We observed in lat. 49° 19′ N., Point Breakers bore N. 33° E. three or four miles. The point of Nootka Cove, together with a wooded one to the N. W. of Point Breakers bore N. 28° W. five leagues. This estimation will place Point Breakers in lat. 49° 21′ 35″ N. mean of two fextants. The astronomer made the lat. of the observatory 49° 39′ 39″.7 N. long. from 90 distances on each side of the moon 233° 25′ 11″ E.

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At anchor in the bay of Nunez Gaona; inlet of Juan de Fuca. The ship was surrounded with numerous canoes laden with halibut and cod, which abound on a bank that bears about W. by N. three or sour leagues from Tatouche Island. By having less swell at that time, I rather suppose we had passed over the southern part of it, as several canoes still remained sishing to the North. We run in three miles, hoisted the boat out, and hauled our wind to the southward, but the slood-tide setting in very strong, caused oversalls through the passage. The boat got 13 sathoms within

23d. Pleak is

BOOK I. 1796. May. within 50 feet of the rock, but further from it there was no bottom with 30 fathoms. This rock is in the fame bearing with the centre of Tatouche Island and Cape Claffet N. S6° W., and S. S6° E. about ½ a mile, and bears from the ifland of Nunez Gaona S. 80° E. [17] about fix miles or a little more. We passed within a 3177 11 mile of the Claffet shore, and at 4 P.M. came to an anchor in the entrance of the bay at 19 fathoms. The western extreme towards the Cape bore S. 80° W., and the north point of the ifland which forms the bay N. 76° E., off shore nearly a mile. It was in this bay that a Spanish ship remained 4 months, 1792. There is good anchorage in it, plenty of wood and water, with an extensive beach for hauling the seine. Off the ifland are feveral reefs of rocks flowing themselves by the weeds, with a good passage between them and the main carrying  $5\frac{1}{2}$  fathoms. The N. W. part of the ifland is in lat. 48° 22' 43" N., and long. 235° 15′ 45″ E.; var. per amp. 22° 34′ E. If Duncan's rock is kept well on the Claffet shore, and the island open with it, there is a clean passage to the northward of it, where the bay may be entered with fafety, and the anchorage chofen at pleafure. It flows at full and change 1h. 30m., rife and fall of the tide about 10 feet. There is little or no tide in the bay, but

but without it runs strong, and causes a ripling which breaks when it blows sresh against the stream.

CHAP. III. 1796. May 24th.

In the morning we weighed with the ebb, and at noon Tatouche Island bore S. 30° E. two or three leagues.

25th.

At ½ past 5 P.M. we stood towards the island, which at 6 P.M. bore S. 5° W.; at 8 P.M. it bore S. 7° 10′ oif the north shore three or sour miles. On approaching the island we had no ground with 100 fathoms. At 4 A.M. Tatouche Island bore S. 25° E. three leagues, we had 65 fathoms, and 56, 53, and 37 to 8 fathoms when Cape Classet bore S. 43° E.: N. extreme N. 58° W. At noon the weather was thick and calm: three or sour miles from the shore.

26th.

A light breeze from the S. W. quarter carried us to the S. E. nine miles, when the ifland of Nunez Gaona bore S. 85° E.; Cape Claffet S. 65° W. and Tatouche Ifland S. 77° L. three miles: we had no foundings. When the Cape bore S. S. E. ½ E. the pinnacle rock without it appeared very remarkable. At 8 o'clock we tacked, and having run 4½ miles N. W. by N. we had 43 fathoms coarse gravel and coarse sand, but as we shoaled our water the cearse ground decreased.

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BOOK I. 1796. May 27th. Our foundings were at 34 fathoms, and our diffance from the north fhore about five miles. At 8 P.M. the Cape bore S. 46° E., and the N. extreme towards Berkeley Sound N. 64° W. At 8 A.M. the Cape bore S. 56° E., and the N. extreme N. 65° W. At 4 past nine we were five or fix miles from the shore, increasing our foundings from 34 to 35, 48 and 42 fathoms: finall stones in the former, in the latter shells intermixed with stones. At noon the observation made the lat. 48° 32′ 10″; the meridional altitude being 62° 38′. Cape Classet bore S. 70° E. about four leagues: island of Nunez Gaona S. 82° 30′ E. Extreme of the land towards Berkeleys Sound N. 62° W.

By keeping the island open with the Classet shore, there is a good mark for being on the bank; and foundings may be carried close home to the north shore.

June 4th.

We steer'd S. E. by E. and E. S. E.; half past 9, faw Punto de los Reyos in that direction. We passed within a mile of it, carrying regular foundings. At 2 past 7 we came to an anchor in 15 fathoms, when the Punto de los Reyos was just shut in with the S. E. point of Sir Francis Drake's Bay, bearing S. 81° W.; River entrance, N. by W.; and the extreme, towards

Port Francisco, bore S. 81° E., our distance from the point of bay being about a mile and a half. At noon, observed latitude was 37° 58′ 46" N. With two boats we explored the fhore, where I conceive the place is in which Sir Francis Drake anchored 1579. We explored it to a remarkable fandy patch, bearing N. 60° E., from the fhip four or five miles, and found no opening except the river. A bar broke entirely across; we had no more than 9 feet in passing it, and it did not appear safe even to venture a boat there. Herds of deer were feen feeding on the hills and in the vallies; and a communication commenced between us and the natives, who were walking on the fhore. The furf prevented our landing; but one of the failors fwam to land, prefenting them with knives, trinkets, &c. with which they were highly gratified. They were flout well made men, darkly coloured, and perfectly naked. The women were in fome degree clothed.

CHAP. III. 1796. June.

This bay affords good shelter, except from the casterly winds; but the sea cannot be very great even with them, as they blow over the land about San Francisco. There is anchorage here, when the south point of the bay bears S. 50° E. off shore.

BOOK I. 1796. June 5th. At 1 P.M. we got under way, and ficered S.E. At 6 P.M. we were within two leagues of the land, to the fouth of Port Francisco; but we could not see the entrance, on account of the haze or the rocks which lie to leeward, called Farillones. At half past 7 P.M. the extremes of the land bore from N. 21° E. to S. 76° E., off shore about nine miles.

About 9 P. M. we had the misfortune to lofe Patrick Sherry, feaman: by accident he fell from the mizen-top upon the deck, and was killed infiantly. This was the fecond cafualty of the fame kind that had happened to us fince we left England. He was the only man who did not volunteer for the fervice, as he was fent on board the flag-fhip at Plymouth by the civil power, whence he came to us.

At half past 1 A. M. it blew strong, with a great swell of sea; at half past 4 A. M. we wore and steered E. N. E. for the land; at 6, we saw it bearing N. 48° E. sive or six leagues. At 9, being well in with the land about Punto Nuovo, we stood to the S. W. in hopes of an observation, as I did not think it right to run into the bay with the wind blowing hard at N. W.; and I could not distinguish. Point Pinos. We observed

ferved in latitude 36° 45′ 32″, alt. 75° 38′ 40″, and faw the point bearing S. 73° E. four or five leagues. We ficered east for the bay of Monterey; at 3 P. M. came to an anchor in 11 fathoms, and moored ship, after saluting the fort with 11 guns, which was returned with an equal number. Presidio bore S. 13° E.; and the flag-staff on the fort, S. 30° W. half a mile from shore.

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We remained here a fortnight, and were most amply supplied with excellent fresh beef, mutton, vegetables, and milk. The crew was also served with spruce beer. The Governor, Signor Don Diego Borica, a colonel of cavalry in the Spanish army, was absent on our first arrival; but he returned two days after, when I requested of him to crect a tent for the astronomer, for fettling the rates of the watches, which he refused to grant, faying, that his orders were to relieve our absolute want of necessaries, but in no other instance were they allowed to assist us. We were prevented either from riding or walking into the country; nor did we receive the leaft civility or attention from any officer in the fettlement. There was no intercourse between us fearcely: they did not visit our ship, or we intrude on their fociety. So unfocial was their conduct, that I thought myfelf justified in not faluting the

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the fort on our failing, though it was evident that they expected the compliment, from the preparations they made there. Excepting this fort, which is very incomplete, there being only eleven guns mounted en barbet twelve-pounders, I faw no difference in the place fince I was here in 1793. They complained much of the dryness of the season, which was very evident from the arid flate of the country. The water we procured was obliged to be rolled down near half a mile, which gave us much trouble. We bought fome buffiels of Indian corn: they had no flour; and, exclusive of their cattle and sheep, the other articles we purchased were very expensive: vegetables alone, during our flay, cost 40 dollars. The weather was continually foggy; the wind westerly, but generally fell during the night.

Although in the midst of summer the air was generally cool, and skies pleasant both morning and evening, the sum seldom appeared to enliven the scenes of beauty which the surrounding country presented. I received one present of a bullock with vegetables, from the Fathers at the mission of St. Carmelo; but the rigid conduct of the Governor prevented them from sending any more. They were the same hospitable priess whom I met with in 1792. Several species

fpecies of fruit, fuch as peaches, nectarines, plums, apples, and grapes, abound here. The country is pleafingly diverfified; though, except in the vallies where the gardens are cultivated, the foil is rather dry and fandy. The inhabitants are front and well made, flupid in look, and of a dark colour like those of New Holland. They are excellent markfinen with the bow and arrow; and their basket-work shews no finall share of ingenuity. The watches shewed the longitude of Monterey as follows:

No 1, flow for mean time at Monterey, June 17th at noon, 16° 30′ 35″.78, and gaining from five days rate 6″.582 per day on mean time. N° 248, flow for mean time at Monterey, June 17th at noon, 1° 39′ 4″.73, and gaining from five days rate 14″.625 per day on mean time.

The other watches, N° 2 and 56, I delivered to the Governor, with fome nautical infiruments, &c. who was authorifed to receive them by Don Juan de la Bodega y Quadra, my late much valued and lamented

BOOK I. 1796. June. mented friend. I most sincerely regretted his loss, and was much hurt to deliver to his executor what I hoped to have done to him in person.

It was now necessary I should come to some determination respecting my future proceedings. My orders from the Admiralty were, that I should survey the fouthern coast of the fouth-west part of South America, upon the idea that Captain Vancouver, who had fimilar orders, would not be able to fulfil them. as I now had certain intelligence that he had left this port eighteen months before, and that both the ships, Discovery and Chatham, under his command, were in a good condition, I had not the finallest doubt of his ability to comply with his instructions; particularly as I had information of his failing from Val. Paraifo, in lat. 33° S. for that purpose. As this was the case, my proceedings in future depended upon my own difcretion; and I wished to employ his Majesty's sloop, under my command, in fuch a manner as might be deemed most eligible for the improvement of geography and navigation. I therefore demanded of the officers their fentiments in writing, respecting the manner in which thefe difcretionary powers allowed to me might most effectually be employed. The result of their

their opinions, I was happy to find, coincided with my own, which was to furvey the coast of Asia, commencing at the ifland of Sakhalin, fituated in 52° N. lat., in the fouthern part of the fea of Ochotz, and ending at the Nanking river in 30° N. lat. My intention was also to complete the furvey of the adjacent iflands, viz. the Kuriles, and those of Jeso and Japan, left unfinished in Captain Cook's last voyage. I thought fuch a furvey would be very acceptable to geographers; for the limits of both the continents of Afia and America would then be known as far as navigation was practicable, and a knowledge of the Northern Pacific Ocean would be completed. Another reason for my undertaking this voyage was, that as yet the aftronomer had met with no opportunity of complying with his inftructions from the board of longitude, in making observations and afcertaining unknown places, our line of navigation having hitherto led us to follow the track of Captain Vancouver. In any other part of the Northern Pacific Ocean there appeared little to be done, except that of fettling the position of a few islands, in themfelves of little confequence; but a furvey of the coast of Asia and the adjacent islands, promised to be of more fervice to the fcience of geography than К that

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BOOK I. 1796. June. that of any islands left unexplored in these seas. As this survey could not probably be completed before the middle of the year 1798, I proposed spending my time in that pursuit till Christmas, then to go to Canton for stores and provisions, and to continue the survey early in the year.

## CHAP. IV.

Passage from Montercy to Owyhee.—Arrival at Wohahoo.—At Wymoa Bay, Atooi.—At Onehow.—Inhuman Murder of two Marines by the Natives of the last Island.—Departure for Japan.

—Visited by some Inhabitants of Issu.—Anchor in Volcano Bay.

On the 20th June we failed from Monterey bay in California, having left to the care of the commanding officer there, a pacquet of letters containing an account of our proceedings fince we failed from Port Jackson in October 1795. This pacquet was addressed to Evan Nepean, Esq. Secretary to the Admiralty. In our route to the Sandwich Islands, we fearched for the islands of Paxaros or Bird Island, and that of Donna Maria Lazara unsuccessfully, and on the 6th of July after a favourable passage, anchored in Karakakooa bay.

My inducement for stopping here was to ascertain the rate of the time-pieces, and to complete taking in our water till we departed for the coast of Japan. 1796. July. ВООК I. 1796. July.

On our arrival the taboo had existed for four days, and continued to the 10th; when our tents were pitched in their old fituation near the Morai. We commenced our different employments for the completion of our water, and the regulation of the timepieces. The flip was foon furrounded by numerous vifitors, who were much rejoiced at our return; and it being Sunday, after divine fervice was performed, our people had permiffion to amufe themselves on The following day we began filling water, fliore. which was brought in calabashes by the natives from the hills diffant four or five miles, for which they were paid 100 nails per hogfhead: this mode of procuring water foon became too expensive for our ftock, and we were unable to complete it. Owing to the cloudiness of the atmosphere, the astronomer could feldom fee the fun, and as we were contented with the altitudes he had already made, we did not wifh to be detained any longer, and therefore ftruck the tents on the 22d. In the mean time the ship had been painted and fitted for fea: we failed out of the bay the fame evening. We experienced during our ftay in the bay the same kind attentions as before, and were amply fupplied with hogs and vegetables. In return we gave them fleets of copper, iron hoops, and and nails. The ducks we left had bred, and the cattle left by Captain Vancouver had much increased in number. The garden feeds had failed through inattention; fome roots of horfe-radish were in high vegetation, and the cabbages were reported to us as flourishing confiderably in the interior, together with fome other plants; but we did not extend our walks far enough to fee them. Goats were in great plenty, and many of the fheep had bred. The English feaman, John Young, who went with me to the ifland of Wohahoo, had returned, but Tamaahmaah' and all the chiefs were ftill to the leeward. absence had much increased the power of a chief named Naametchaw (Tianna's brother), who was in a flate of revolt, and acquiring by degrees the whole island. He now possessed four out of its fix districts, and was approaching near to Karakakooa, where there was little chance of refiftance, as the people were averse to fighting, having no chief in whom they confided to lead them on: indeed the only person of that rank was Mahooa, who had loft his eye-fight. He wished much to go with us to Wohahow, that he might explain what had happened to Tamaahmaah, but the people, having no other chief, would not permit him.

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In the last skirmish with the rebels an European was killed, and their leader vowed vengeance against the four who still remained on the fide of Mahooa. It appeared extraordinary that Tamaahmaah should neglect his own ifland, and leave it exposed to any usurper; but it was still more singular, that while a chief of Atooi was taking possession of Owyhee, he was preparing to invade the very itland from whence this usurper and his brother Tianna came. Such was the abfurd conduct of this chief; who was ruining himfelf and his friends by his ambition, yet, at the fame time, afraid to fend any of them to Owyhee, left they also should fide with the revolters.  $\Lambda$  constant jealoufy of each other's power feems to be univerfal amongst the South-Sea Islands. No vessel had been in the bay fince we left it: every thing was plentiful. The people were generally affected with the itch, but triflingly fo with venereal complaints.

It was on the morning of the 25th that we arrived at Wohahoo, and waited in Whytetee bay for Tamaahmaah to come on board. At noon he was with us, attended by feveral chiefs, in a large failing boat from the harbour of Fair Haven. This boat was built by the Europeans living in this ifland, and was intended for the attack of Atooi; but as that scheme

for the present was given up, the chiefs determined to return to Owyhee. They had, however, endeavoured to reach Atooi, but the weather was too boifterous for their canoes; and the revolt at Owvhee caused an alteration in their plans for the prefent. The island. in respect to provisions, was worse than ever, for all the hogs had been deftroyed when the inhabitants left it to go to Atooi; and we could procure no vegetables. as they had perifhed through neglect of cultivation. This scarcity had caused the destruction of many of the unfortunate natives, who, through abfolute want, had been induced to fteal whatever came in their way. For these thests they were murdered by the chiefs in the most barbarous manner, and many were burnt alive. It was computed that Tamaahmaah had loft fix thousand of his people by the conquest of this ifland, and fubfequent calamities. As the veffel built in the harbour by the Europeans was not quite complete, Tamaahmaah was very anxious I fhould leave with him every necessary article for her equipment, even to guns and powder. I prefented him with feveral things much more ufeful; and we parted in the most friendly manner, with his permission to make a fettlement on any of the islands I pleased.

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Wohahoo

BOOK 1. 1796. July. Wohahoo feems most favourable for a first establishment, on account of the harbour; and in Whytetee bay, to the westward of Fair Haven, is another which is formed in a large bason when the reess are passed. Pearls of a good quality and fize are collected in this bason. The island of Owyhee has also two or three harbours, but they can only receive small vessels. The best of them is in the district of Ahudo, on the cast side of the island, of which the entrance is formed by a reef that, Captain Cook says, in some degree endangered his ship.

In the afternoon we parted with our friends, making fail for the ifland of Atooi, where I purposed to complete our water. On the following day we anchored in Wymoa bay, in 23 fathoms; the extremes bearing from S. 60° E. to N. 72° W., off shore 1½ mile.

Early in the morning we commenced taking in our water; but the natives strongly maintained it was private property, and that we should not take any away unless we paid for it with powder. When their refolution was reported to me, I fent an armed force to protect the watering party, and to convince the natives that I was determined to take what they would not

not grant voluntarily. In confequence of this measure no further objection was made: fome of the inhabitants, who affisted us in filling and rolling the easks, were paid for their trouble; and our watering was completed in twenty-four hours. C H A P. 1796. July.

This ifland, fince we last touched here, had been entirely conquered by a chief, named Teavee, grandfon to Perorannee. The deposed king, Timorce, lived with him, divefted of all power. We faw nothing of them, as they were on the other fide of the island, under some restrictions of the taboo: but we understood, orders had been fent over to prevent the felling of any article, unless we paid for it either by inusquets or powder; of course we made no purchases. A ship from Bristol, called the Ruby, had bought hogs at this price, and was the only veffel that had touched here fince our departure, except the Lady Washington brig. On the evening of the 27th, an European came on board, who faid, a perfon would come the next day from the Chief, with directions to fupply us with provisions, who had no objection when he knew it was our ship which had arrived. As I did not believe this man's account, I thought it useless to wait; but defired him to follow us to Onehow with whatever provisions he could procure.

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In the morning we got under way, and made fail for the island of Onchow, where we anchored in the afternoon at Yam bay, in 15 fathoms fandy bottom; the extremes bearing from N. 29° E. to S. 10° E., one mile and a half from the shore. As I intended to remain here but 48 hours, for the purpose of procuring yams, I fent the boat on thore after breakfaft, with a fmall tent, and three armed marines to protect the articles they might procure, which I thought would be abundant, as we had purchased but sew on board. In the evening I landed, and was forry to find fo fmall a collection: willing, therefore, to make it larger, I walked to fome of the plantations, but was told there was a general fearcity over the ifland. On my return, I met with a party which had just come from Atooi, and with them Tupararo, the man who was directed to follow us, that he might fupply us with provisions. I enquired after Hughes, the European. Tupararo affured me he would join us in the morning, when we fhould have plenty of yams and potatoes; begging me at that time to come on fhore, and to bring with ine, as a prefent to him, fome red cloth. I told him, the beat would be on shore to bring off the tent, &c. when he might come on board to receive his prefents. The midshipman went on board at funset, and I walked along thore to the South, where the pinnace waited waited for me about one mile distant. Only one of the natives accompanied me; and I walked unmolested, meeting several of the inhabitants, till I reached the boat, which was surther off than I had imagined. As I had visited this island twice before, and many of the officers had made shooting parties in the interior without any interruption, I had not the least fear for my own safety; but the unhappy event which took place the next day will show my fortunate escape.

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In the forenoon I received fome yams from an elderly man, who, it was faid, was father to Teavee: I also received some provisions from Tupararo, who left the thip with a defign, as he faid, of fending me more. The cutter was ordered to bring whatever he might have to fend; and the mate was commanded to go on fhore with two marines properly armed, another man to barter, and the boat's crew with a midshipman to remain off at a grapnel. They were stationed fo as to affift in case of need, to be upon their. guard, and, if any thing occurred, to make a fignal. They had not been gone an hour when I was acquainted by the officer on deck, that most of the canoes were gone on fhore. I therefore gave directions for the boat's fignal to be made: it was then cleven o'clock; we faw them strike the tent, and immediately L 2

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1796. July. mediately after heard a firing from the boat. As no figual was made, I thought this firing was intended to recall those who were absent; but soon after, the signal was hoisted for the pinnace, when I fent an officer with marines to their affiftance. On the return of one of the boats, I heard with much concern that the two marines were killed; and that the mate, with the botanift, who went to barter, had escaped with the greatest difficulty. The pinnace remained on shore to protect the dead bodies from the natives, who feemed anxious to get them, though they were funk below the furf. As this unhappy transaction took g place without the finallest provocation on our part, I confulted with the officers on the measures necessary to be purfued. Their advice was, at all events to prevent the natives from getting the bodies, and for us to proceed to Atooi, where, by getting some of the chiefs in our power, we might oblige them to deliver up Tupararo, and the other principals in these horrid murders: we also thought it necessary to make some example on the fpot. The boats were therefore manned, and directions given that the marines should burn every house, canoe, and plantation, within a mile from the beach where the boats were, and should return before funfet. As they went we heard fome firing from the pinnace, which occasioned the boats to land without

without refistance. The natives took care to keep out of the reach of the shot; or if they were near, to drop down on seeing the slash, and then to run away. The houses were soon in slames, and sixteen canoes on the beach were burnt or destroyed. All this time the natives affembled in great numbers, armed with spears: two of them had the ill-sated marines' muskets and accouraments. As our people advanced they sled, and so prevented any personal atonement for their treachery. In the mean while, the bodies were found in about 9 seet water. At 3 P. M. Mr. Mudge returned, when the natives immediately rushed into the water, searching for the bodies, and found the grapnel our people had lost in the attack.

Of all the murders that have been committed in these islands, this seems as unprovoked as any. The cause of it I cannot account for; but the manner of committing it was related to me in the following manner, by Mr. Cowley, the mate, and the botanist, Alexander Bishop, who escaped. The mate, on seeing the signal, ordered the boat in, and struck the tent. The marines unfixed their bayonets; and one of them gave his sirelock to the botanist, while he put the tent in the bag. At this instant, while they suspected no danger, the botanist was knocked down from behind; and Tupararo run

C H A P. IV. 1796. July. BOOK I. 1796. July. away with the musket, which the botanist had dropped. The marines were ferved in the fame manner. Atter they recovered themselves, there was not time to fire the remaining mufket, as the natives preffed upon them with the greatest eagerness on their retreat to the furf. The mate reached the boat in fafety, and the botanist escaped by stabbing a man in the water who had feized him; but the ill-fated marines, incumbered by their accoutrements, were murdered in the water On examining their bodies, one by the favages. appeared to have received feveral flabs with his own bayonet; the other, who could not fwim, had got a violent contufion on his head, and feemed to have been drowned. They were taken up perfectly naked, excepting fome few fragments of their trowfers.

During the time of the maffacre the boat, by the midfhipman's account, was within fifty yards of the fhore, and her crew were pulling in, whilft a part of them were keeping up a conftant fire with two mufkets; nevertheless they could not fave these poor fellows from the fury of the natives, and only wounded one man out of twenty who followed them into the water. I am afraid they were in too great a confusion, and the boat too far from the shore to give

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give the affiltance that was necessary on such an unfortunate occasion. Had the boat been placed as I directed, about one hundred yards from the tent placed on an eminence, it would have been a certain refource; for had the natives rufhed down the bank, they would have been exposed to its fire. therefore most probable the boat was farther distant; for the mate, though he could fwim very well, called to them that if they did not pull in more he should be drowned, and when he reached the boat the grapnel rope was then cut having 25 fathoms out, and the wind was from the land. He found them in confusion, and defired the figual to be made to the thip, which the midthipman had neglected doing. The natives fired fome musquets at the pinnace, whose balls went through her; but a fliot or two from her fwivel difperfed the crowd, and all was quiet. It was extraordinary that the two women, Rahina and Timarroe (whom Captain Vancouver brought from the N. W. coast) should have come with us from Atooi, when Tupararo was the hufband of the first, and whose child had been fent on board that we might fee him. They were much alarmed, and defired to be fent on fhore; which request we complied with, giving each a letter, begging they would entruft them to the first vessel that arrived there, but upon

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no account to let them be feen by the Europeans at Atooi.

We were anxious to reach Atooi before the melancholy news could arrive there, but the wind being East was directly opposite to our course. This was unlucky, for we could not suppose those at Atooi who were privy to the transaction, would trust themselves on board, it being our opinion that the scheme was concerted at that ifland, and Hughes the European had knowledge of it by his not coming with Tupa-I was therefore obliged to give up the idea for the present, intending to take the chance of a favourable wind, flould it have happened in a few days, and in the meanwhile to fettle the fituation We therefore of Bird and Montague Islands. made fail for that purpofe, steering W. by S. island of Orelioua is in lat. 22° 02′ N.; long. 199° 50' E.

August 1st. At 6 P. M. we faw a small island bearing S. 65° W. about twelve leagues. At 10 we hauled our wind, and remained plying under our topsails till day-light, when the island bore S. 62° W. seven or eight leagues. We made fail in that direction, at noon we passed it within two miles, when it bore from S. 23°

S. 23° E. to S. 41° E., and we had 25 fathoms fandy bottom. It is not more than a mile in extent in any direction, rifing abruptly to a confiderable elevation at each extreme, and low in the middle. It appeared inacceffible to boats, and inhabited only by various fea-birds, who made their nefts in its perpendicular cliffs.

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This island was seen in 1789, and is well described and placed by Captain Douglas. The charts make two iflands near this fituation; we could only fee one with a clear horizon. Bird Island we place in 23° 3′ 50″ N.; long. 197° 54′ E. by No. 1.

At 6 P.M. the ifland bore S. 32° E. nine or ten 2d. leagues: many birds in fight.

As the wind kept invariably fixed to the castward, - 5th. I found there was no prospect of again seeing Atooi, without too great a delay; I therefore gave up the idea, and made fail to the Westward, meaning to keep in the parallel of 28° 30' N.; a tract we had no reason to imagine had ever been crossed before, and which might lead us to fome new difcoveries. As we had not found the ifland of Donna Maria Lagara to the East, I also thought it probable we might still fall

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BOOK I. 1796. August 8th. in with it during our run. We faw no birds this day, or any indication of land.

In the forenoon a turtle was feen, and many tropic birds continued the whole day about the ship.

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N° 1, fame time - 190° 52′ 30″ E.

at Owyhee, our people were ferved with falt meat, and a proportion of four-krout and portable foup boiled with peafe. On opening the cark we found our mustard-feed entirely spoilt, the air having got into it.

Several fliarks about the flip. We hoifted a boat out to try if there was any current, but could find none.

At 2 P. M. we steered more to the North, passing about 30 leagues to the N. of Captain Clerke's track in this situation. A bird like a plover, with slying sish and tropic birds, were seen in the forenoon.

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Being in the parallel of latitude of an island called Rica de Plata, but to the East 2° of its supposed situation, we steered W. by S. to fall in with it. The weather was cooler than we had experienced for some time, though we had never sound the heat oppressive, as the smoothness of the sea enabled us to carry our ports up both day and night. We ought to have seen this island at noon had it been rightly placed in Captain Cook's chart, notwithstanding we had been set 16' to the South of our estimation by a current.

CHAP. 1V. 1796. August 25th.

As we had run 7° to the West of the situation in which Rica de Plata is placed, without observing the least indication of the vicinity of land, we altered, at 7 P. M., our course to the West. A current seemed to have set us strongly to the N. E. these 24 hours.

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On an examination of the store-rooms, we found several slops and some of our new sails damaged. The constant heat had occasioned a dampness in every part of the ship, and the humidity of the air increased it. After burning sires in the fore cockpit, we got rid of the foul air by the extractor. The thermometer generally in the cockpit stood at 85° and 87°. A current this day to the N. W.

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We kept our wind to the westward, that we might make sure of the north part of Japan.

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We kept our wind to the westward, in hopes of seeing the land, fhould the haze have cleared away. The fudden fall of the barometer foretold a change of weather. At 5 the breeze increased, and we took in three reefs in the topfails, getting the top-gallant yards At 6 the wind vecred to South, with a hard gale, when we close-reefed the topfails, and hauled up the mainfail to found. Before we could try for foundings, the forefail and fore-topmast stayfail were split; and the fqualls increasing in violence, we furled the mainfail, during which time the fore-topfail blew fairly away from the roping. The main-topfail fhared the fame fate, by a fudden fhifting of the wind from S. to N.W. This was our fecond best fail, and only bent the day before. The ship's careen was so great, and the wind blew fo tremendously, that we were afraid of losing our masts; and having no fail to set, we were left entirely to the mercy of the weather, in the hollow of the fea. The waves went over us with fuch force, that we could not ftand their violence: luckily we experienced no other misfortune than the total lofs of our fails, which in our fituation was much to be regretted. In no inflance have I experienced fo un- September. common a gale, for the hour it lasted, though unattended with lightning, thunder, or rain. At 8 P. M. it gradually abated to a fleady breeze ... om the N. W. quarter, and the night was fine. At day-light we descried the land of Japan, bearing from W. by N. to S. W., feven or eight leagues distant; and at noon we observed in 39° 55' N., with the following bearings: Extremes from N. 69° W. to S. 46° W.; an inlet with an ifland in its entrance, supposed to be Nambu, S. 52° W., off thore five or fix leagues: Our fituation will be in the long. of 142° 50' E., by Captain King's chart of this coast, which is nearly the mean of the watches. Our diftance from the land prevented any further remarks; but we perceived by the observation, and the alteration of our fituation, that a current fet us firengly to the South.

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We employed ourselves in fitting up the rigging, and repairing our other defects occasioned by the late hurricane. The extremes at 6 h. bore from N 40° W. to S. 40° W., five or fix leagues off shore. We frequently tried for foundings with 120 fathoms of line, during the night, without ever reaching the bottom. 8th.

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BOOK I. 1796. September. The extremes at noon bore from N. 42° W. to S. 16° W.; the entrance to Port Nambu S. 35° W., three or four leagues. Instead of being to the N. N. W. thirty miles, as we expected by our account, we found ourselves more to the S. W. than we were yesterday; the current setting along the shore in that direction.

At 4 h. the wind veering to the S. E. we made fail to the northward. Port Nambu still preferved the same bearing, about seven or eight miles distant. It appeared extensive and capacious; but the gloominess of the weather prevented our seeing any thing distinctly. The barometer also falling, made us apprehensive of bad weather. At 6½ the extremes of Japan bore N. 50° W., six or eight leagues. The wind suddenly shifted, and soon increased to a fresh gale, with cool weather. At 17 h. 30 m., we could just discern the land of Japan bearing S. 30° W., ten or twelve leagues.

The fituation of Cape Nambu, by Captain King's chart, is 39° 47′ N. lat., and 142° 30′ E. long., from whence I take a new departure. The watch, N° 1, makes it 58′ more to the West. The current set us to the S. W. about 15 miles.

At 15 h, we faw land bearing North; and at daylight it bore from N. 5° W, to N. 40° W, about five leagues. The North point was low; but to the Southward, it was of confiderable elevation. The fhores were bold and rocky. The land at noon bore from N. 12° W, to N. 40° W, about fix leagues. The current fet us to the S. W. by the land, from which we gradually increased our distance. In the asternoon we had tried and found the current run to the South, at the rate of 3 miles per hour. The whole day we tried for foundings with 100 fathoms of line.

CHAP. IV. 1796. September 10th.

In the evening a light air from the westward carried us towards the land; at midnight it veered to N. N. E.; and at day-light we were near the S. E. point of the land. At 20 h. the extremes bore from N. 23° E. to N. 43° W.; a rocky point N. 50° E., two or three miles; and we had 22 fathoms, finall stones and fand. After passing this point we steered N. 50° W., which was nearly the direction of this side of the land. The point was low and flat, and several rocks above water projected from it to seaward; two of them resemble asses a they bear N. 15° E. and S. 15° W., from the N. E. side of the land. Within them, to the North, the coast forms a small bay. From the point the low land continues two or three leagues

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leagues to a fandy beach, when the country rifes gradually from the thore to a great height, in various ridges, clothed with wood, prefenting a pleafing profpect. Several houses were scattered along the shore, and boats upon the beach. We also remarked several people sishing. At noon the Point bore S. 73° E., about three leagues: water at 30 sathoms.

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In the afternoon we were vifited by three fifting The people in them were of a light copper colour, with dark hair, very thick and cut fhort behind. All of them had long beards, and expressive good-natured countenances. They were of a middling flature, and clothed in gowns woven from the barks of trees, and edged at the cuffs and collars with blue linen. A piece of cloth was tied round their waifts, fimilar to the Maros at Owyhee. They wore filver earrings; and each of them had a knife in a fheath hanging from their middles. They did not come on board the ship till they had previously faluted us in a solemn respectful manner, agreeable to the Oriental courtesy of falams. We prefented them with beads and trinkets, with which they feemed much pleased; but we could not understand each other. I should imagine, from their behaviour, that they had never feen a flip before, as they feemed alarmed, and fat down close to the gangway, where they entered without uttering a word. We enquired of them, if the island was called Matsmai, which they universally pointed to be to the September. West; and, as we could gather from their pronunciation, called their own land Infu\*. Having remained with

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\* Infu is the famous land of Jefo, only known to Europeans before this and La Perouse's voyage, by the journals of the Castricom and Brefkes. 'The following extract is quoted from Rheinhold Foster's voyages to the North. " In 1643, the Dutch East Company gave orders for two ships to be sent from India to the North, in order to explore the route from Japan northward, and even to go as far as to North America, and to feek for the paffage there. In confequence of these orders, the two ships set sail together from the harbour of the island of Ternate: their names were the Cuffricon, commanded by Captain Martin Herizoom Van Vriez, and the Brefkes, under the command of Captain Hendrick Cornelius Shaep. On the 14th of May, the two thips were feparated by a florm, at the diffance of 56 leagues from Jeddo, the capital of Japan; and both faw the land of Jefo. The Brefkes failed through the straits of Sangaar, in 41° 50' N. lat., and in long. 164° 18' East of Tenerisse, i. e. 148° o' East of Greenwich. They faw land again in 43° 4' latitude. In 44° 4' lat. some boats came off from shore to the ship. In lat. 43° 45' they descried land again, as also in the lat. of 44°12', and long. 167° 21 'E. In 45° 12' N. and 169° 36' E., the land appeared at a distance like a great number of islands; but on coming nearer, it appeared one continued tract of country. In lat. 46° 15' and 172° 16' E., as also in long. 172° 53' E., they had fight of fome high mountains: they also saw still more land in lat. 47° 8' N. and 173° 53' E. We fee from this relation, as well as from that of the Castricom, that the land of Jeso contains in fact a quanBOOK I. 1796. September. with us an hour they took their leave, faluting us in the fame ceremonious way as before, till they were at fome diffance. Their boats, like canoes, were hollowed out of a tree, with upper ftreaks fewed on round them, increasing their width aloft, and spreading fore and aft, being

tity of islands, at present known to the Russians under the name of the Kuriles. The Dutch imagined they had different in Jeso a large extensive country; and in the latest accounts we have from the Russians, this description is likewise given of the land of Matzmai, in which the Dutch mention there is a place named Acquis, which the Russians call Atkis.

- "The strait between Matzmai and Japan is about 60 versts, or 34 geographical miles broad, and has a very strong current, as have almost all the straits between the Kurile islands.
- "This country feems to have got the name of Jeso or Yeso, from the hairiness of its inhabitants. Eso in Dutch has the same signification as Esau."

On this extract the following observations may be made:

It does not feem to be the fact that the Breikes ever passed the Straits of Sangaar, as she was cast away on the north part of Japan attempting it. Jeso or Insu, instead of being parcelled out into small islands, is one connected land, divided from Japan by the Straits of Sangaar, and from the island Sagaleen to the North by the straits of La Perouse.

The Kuriles, instead of being comprehended under Jeso, are distinct islands, extending from the N.E. part of Jeso to Kamshatscha.

In Les Decouvertes faites par les Russes by Muller, tom. i, page 362, is the journal of the Breskes, published by Witzer. A striking similarity may be observed in the description it gives of Jeso, and in that of the present publication: it says—

being of the fame fhape both ends. They were pulled in the fame manner the paffage boats at Plymouth are, one person making use of a pair of skullers. They September, did not make use of their oars together, but first with one hand, then with the other: this mode prevented their

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" Le vaisseau le Breskes avoit été envoyé l'an 1645 avec la Castricom à la deconverte de la Tartarie. Près de la coté orientale du Japon ils furent reparés par la tempête, et le Bretkes decouvrit de son coté aussi la terre de Jeso. Ce fut au mois de Juin qu'il sit voile par le detroit qui fepare la terre de Jeso du Japon à 41° 50' de latitude & à 164° 48' long. La pointe qu'on decouvrit la première se faisoit remarquer par 8 au 10 rochers femblables à des voiles, et delà s'étendoit une chaine d'écueils jusqu'à mille en mer. On vit là des petits batimens. Les rameurs avoient une rame à chaque main qu'ils tiroient tour à tour. Ils alloient extremement vite. Ce peuple paroissoit avoir d'intelligence. Leurs barbes etoient longues, noires, & fortes. Ils avoient le teint brun & la tete rasé, à la referve d'une toufe de cheveux de deux doigts de large qui restoit fur le devant de la tête. On remarque qu'ils joignoient les mains par desfus la tete en figne de reconnoissance. Ils étoient vetus de peaux d'ours, et armés d'arcs et des fleches. De là le vaisseau angla assez avant à l'Est. Les matelots prirent beaucoup des cabeliaux. A la hauteur de 43° 4' ils virent terre. A 44° 4' ils furent abordés par des barques : ceux qui les montoient étoient d'une bonne taille, robustes, et montroient de l'intelligence. Les femmes qui les accompagnoient avoient le teint brun, les levres et les mains peintes en bleu, les cheveux coupés tout à l'entour de la tête, à trois doigts environ au dessous de l'oreille. On les auroit pris pour les jeunes hommes. L'eau de vie étoit fort de leur gout à tous. Quelquesuns portoient aussi des habits à la Japonnoise. L'autres avoient des croix

BOOK I. 1796. September. their going in a firait line, yet they went very fast. During the night we plied to the westward. The S. E. Point at noon bore N. 65° E., and the other extreme N. 28° W., eight or ten leagues.

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We flood within two miles of the flore, and tacked in 42 fathoms; the extremes bearing N. 61° W. to S. 62° E. Two large boats were riding at anchor; they had each one mast, rigged a midship's, on which they made use of a square sail of cloth or canvass: they were similar to a small Chinese junk in shape,

fur le dos. Outre l'arc et la fleche ils avoient encore des fabres faits comme ceux du Japon, dont la poignée étoit incrustée d'or, la garde entourée d'un bord d'argent, et le sourreau ouvragé à ramage. Leurs baudriers étoient brodés en argent. Ils portoient aux oreilles des anneaux, et des pendans de verotterie de Nurembourg. Ils avoient avec eux des peaux de chiens de mer et de castors, et quelques étosses des Indes. Leur bateaux étoient des troncs d'arbres creuses, et sans aîles. A 43° 45' de latitude on vit encore terre, mais on n'y descendit point. Cette est située 120° plus à l'Est que la pointe orientale du Japon, qui est à 38" 4'. Dissérence en latitude 9° 38'. Direction, Nord Est quart d'Est, & Sud Ouest quart d'Ouest."

Spanberg, the Russian navigator, landed, he says, in a great island from 43° to 50° lat., speaks of the uncommon hairiness of the natives, and of their wearing rings of silver in their ears. In the instructions given to La Perouse, he is desired to consult the various accounts for the land of Jeso collected by Phillip Buache in his Considerations geographiques et physiques. Page 75.

but we were not near enough to observe them particularly. At day-light we faw more land, bearing from N. 15° W. to N. 50° W.; and a very conspicuous September. head-land bore S. 70° W., apparently unconnected with each other. We had no foundings with all our line.

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At 1 past 6 we tacked in 42 fathoms, within four or five miles of the land, which bore from N. 22° W. to N. 70° E., and from N. 35° W. to N. 75° W.; the land to the North apparently joined by the lowness of the shores. During the night we kept plying under eafy fail, having foundings from 48 to 56 fathoms. At day-light the land of Infu bore from N. 7° W. to S. 78° E., and the western shore N. 22° W. to N. 87° W., Bluff Point S. 38° W.: we were nearly in the centre of the bay, the shores being distant five leagues each way. From the rigging we could just discern the low land forming the head of the bay to the North. We steered to the West; and at noon a point of land made like an ifland S. 80° W., Bluff Point S. 18° W., feven or eight leagues. Extreme of Infu East, and a volcanic mountain S. 63° W.

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At 6 P. M. we weathered the land, fet at noon S. 8° W.; and at 9 P.M. we were well up with the volcano.

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BOOK I. 1796. September. In the morning we found ourselves in a spacious bay, the volcanic mountain bearing S. 10° E., and the apparent ifle N. 64° E. five leagues; the extreme towards the Bluff Point S. 48° E. A great quantity of fmoke iffued from the north fide of the mountain, from which we were diftant three or four miles. To the westward were feveral houses scattered along fhore; and before noon feveral of the inhabitants paid us a vifit. They were the fame kind of men we had before feen, befides fome who refembled the Chinefe, excepting in their hair, which was long on the fides, and tied up behind, much greafed with oil, while the crown and forehead were shaved. They had all a pipe and tobacco box, and feemed much pleafed with the internal part of the fhip; but a breeze ipringing up they foon left us, and we flood over to the north fide of the bay, with a gentle wind from the fea. At noon the apparent island bore N. 87° E.; and the extremes towards the Bluff Point S. 50° E., diftant from the volcanic mountain about four leagues. Our watches this day differed fo confiderably, that we could place no dependence upon them. Having run N. E. 14 miles, we were abreaft of a village: a junk was at anchor off it, in the entrance of a finall opening. A reef of rocks extended to the N.W.: we tacked in 10 fathons to avoid them; and fending a boat

boat ahead, bore up to the westward for a bay that promifed good anchorage. At 4 h. we came to in 7 fathoms water, muddy bottom, about 3 of a mile September. from the fhore, and opposite an extensive village. The outer part of the reef bore South, and the volcano 5° to the West of it, about 10 leagues distant.

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We had feveral vifitors from the village, and foon after a Japanese, who immediately sent away our Insu We attempted to converse with our new acquaintance, but to no purpose: before dark he left us.

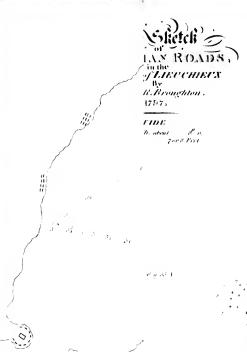
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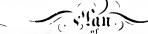
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Spanberg's Island.

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Ar funrise the boats were sent in search of water, which was found opposite our situation; and the Japanese who attended, signified it was very good. Several of the natives accompanied us; but the jealousy of this man would not let them approach within a certain distance. They spread mats on the beach, while we were filling water; and entered into conversation with us, smoking small pipes of tobacco at the same time. Their inquiries seemed to allude to our departure, and to shew their anxiety for our going away. On our proceeding towards the village they strongly objected; and to avoid any difference, we gave up the point.

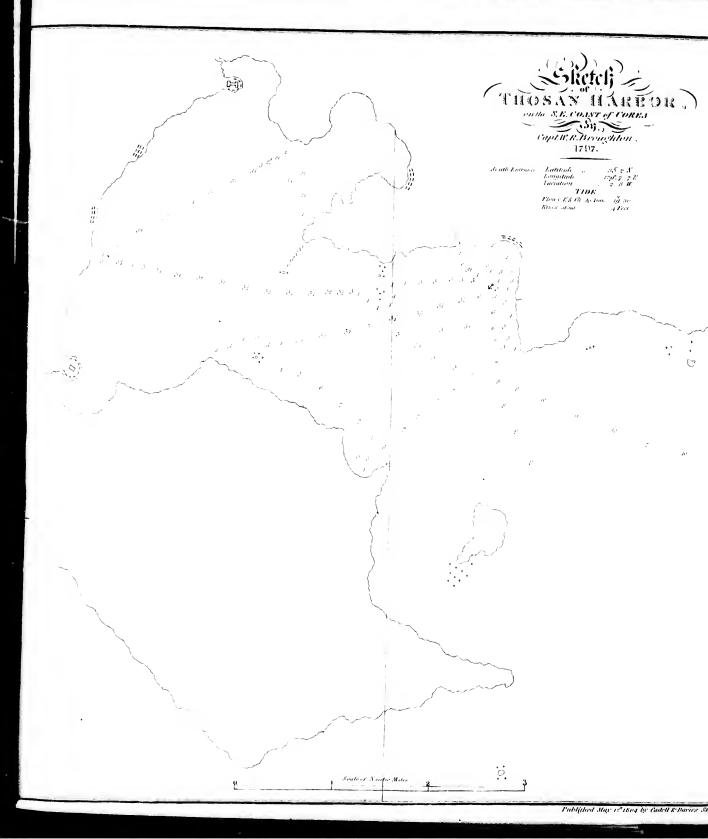






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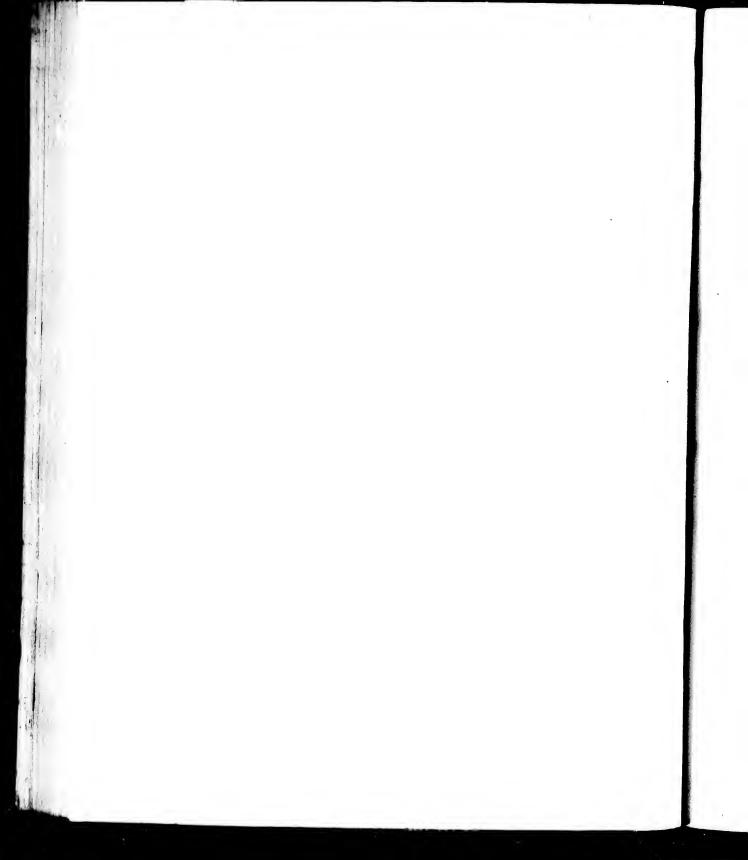
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We rowed along the beach to the westward about two miles; the country gradually rofe in floping hills, covered with verdure and interspersed with wood. We came to a fine stream of water near some houses; on our landing, the natives with great humility brought us mats to fit upon, and fortunately there was no Japanese present to interrupt their civility. This part of the coast being more convenient for taking in water and wood, I determined to move the ship towards it; and after observing the fun's meridional altitude, we returned on board. During my absence several Japanese had arrived at the village with horses carrying merchandize; in the afternoon they came on board, with fome degree of ceremony, to pay us a vifit. They were c'othed in dark-coloured cottons, with filk fashes round their waifts; and each of them wore two fabres richly ornamented with gold and filver, whose scabbards were highly japanned: their fandals were of ftraw and wood matted. They also carried their pipes and fans with them. They were very particular in enquiring what nation we belonged to, and what our intentions were in coming among them; and as they feemed to comprehend our answers they immediately noted them, having like the Chinese, Indian ink for that purpose. After smoaking out their pipes,

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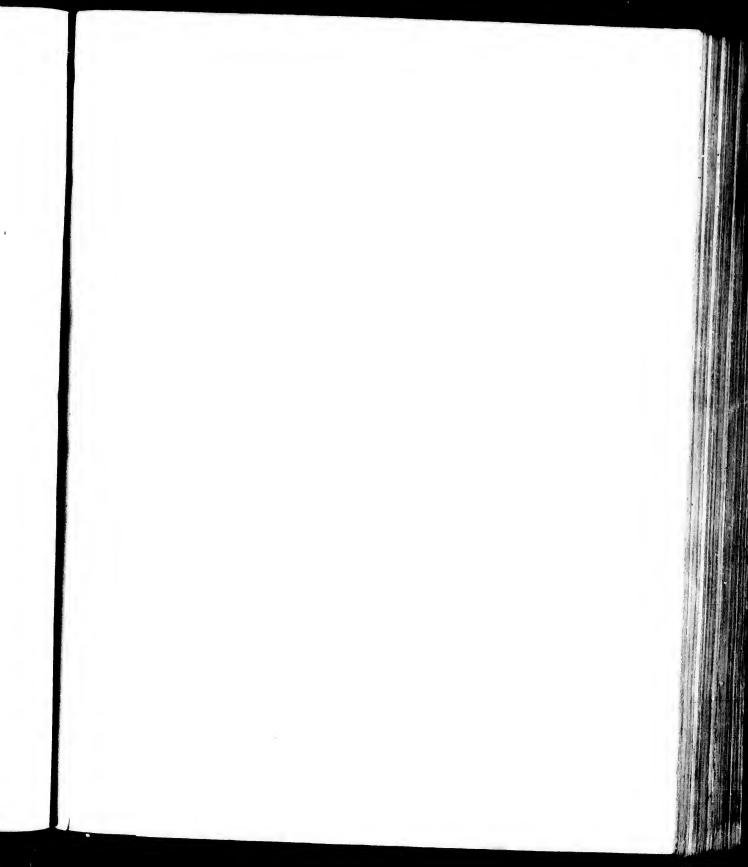
and taking some refreshment they returned on shore. In the evening a junk anchored near us: she was laden with sea-weed (sucus saccharinus), and sailed the same night.

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This morning we hauled the feme with indifferent fuccess, and were also employed in wooding and I vifited the opening we had perceived watering. coming in, which proved to be a finall harbour having within it 3 fathoms, and the entrance to it was between fome rocks above water. It is a very convenient port for finall veffels, and furrounded with houses; one of a larger kind was inhabited by some Japanese, with a garden producing French beans and turnip raddiffies. On our return we landed at the large village, and met our Japanese acquaintance, who appeared very uneafy in feeing us fo near their habitations, and firongly preffed us to return to the ship: we however walked to the watering place, where we embarked to their great fatisfaction.

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In the morning we moored the ship nearer the watering place, and for the first time saw some women. They were fishing with the men and affisting them in rowing. Their hair was cut very short, close round





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round their heads; their lips were punctured with a blue colour, and their clothing feemed in every respect similar to the men's.

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Through the whole day we were employed in wooding and watering.

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In the morning we proceeded to examine the northwest side of the bay. After rowing three miles we came to a fa all village fituated at the mouth of a rivulet; this for fome diffance we traced along the beach. It appeared to flow from the North, and we imagined its fource to be at a confiderable diffance, from the depth of the water and the rapidity of the The country through which it meandered. presented a very beautiful autumnal prospect; the hills were clothed with verdure, which was varied with clumps of trees disposed in the manner of an English park, and appearing as if arranged by the hand of The inhabitants of this finall village received us with great civility, but in no part did we fee any cultivation.

We returned on board in the afternoon against a strong wind from the S. E. quarter; occasioning a large fwell, and increasing in the night.

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BOOK I. 1796. September 21 t. The fame wind and weather continued, and the furf on the beach was fo high we could not get off either wood or water.

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The furf on the beach remained fo high, that our parties could not land till Saturday; when the winds both from fea and land became moderate, and enabled us to complete our taking in wood and water. The natives conftantly attended our people on fhore, bartering grapes for buttons; and fometimes we were able to perfuade the fifhermen as they paffed by the fhip, to fell us fome fifh; but this we could but feldom obtain.

25th.

The mafter was fent to examine the shore between the ship and the apparent island. In the morning we were visited by a new party of Japanese, superior to the others in dress, and equally so in behaviour. We derived not only pleasure, but information also, from their society. They shewed us a chart of the world, which appeared to have been constructed in Russia; and having a book with them in which were drawn the arms of different countries, they immediately pointed out those of Great Britain, to which country they supposed us to belong. They had also a Russian alphabet, and by what I could understand,

understand, one of them had been at Petersburg. We had on board a seaman of that country, who conversed with them in his native language. They permitted me to copy a large chart of the islands to the North of Japan, and promised me to bring one of their own doing the next day. After mutual civilities they went on shore. The master returned in the evening, having sound a very good harbour in the N. E. corner of the bay, formed by the apparent island, which he discovered to be a peninsula.

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Fine weather enabled us to get every thing from the shore, and we prepared for going to sea. Our Japanese friends joined our party at dinner, and presented me with a chart of their own doing; in return I gave them Captain Cook's general chart of the world, which gratisted them extremely. They were curious in making remarks on whatever they saw; and what they could not comprehend, they immediately represented in India ink drawings. They seemed highly pleased to hear that we intended to depart shortly.

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The astronomer on this day completed his obfervations for the regulation of the time-pieces,

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and in every respect the ship was ready for BOOK fca. 1796.

September. 28th.

At day-light we got under way, and with the feawind plied to the fouth-eastward. Latitude at noon was 42° 18′ 20" N.; the extreme, forming the fouth entrance of the harbour, bore N. 89° E. four leagues; and the fouthern volcano S. 2° W.; northern volcano N. 50° E. Before dark we came to anchor in 11 fathoms, muddy bottom, about two miles off the entrance of the harbour. The fea being open from S. 22° E. to S. 27° E.; the fouthern volcano S. 25° W.; a fmall island on with a village S. 37° E.; the head of the harbour E.S.E., one mile off the north shore. Throughout the night it blew strong from the S. E. guarter.

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I examined the harbour: it affords good shelter from all winds, bringing the bluff on the extreme part of the ifthmus (which forms the starboard point coming in) to bear N.W. In this fituation we found four or five fathoms; and the larboard entry point on the north fhore was on with the bluff. In running for the harbour, the island must be kept open with the ftarboard entry point till within I a mile of a finall iflet

iflet (which is only fo at half tide), and then you must fleer in to the S. W where your water will be floaled, and any birth taken you may prefer. The foundings September. gradually decrease from 10 to 2 fathoms, fost bottom. A few houses are scattered on the south side of the harbour; and towards the head the shores are low and flat, fo much fo as to prevent boats landing within one hundred yards. In all other parts wood and water are procured with the utmost convenience.

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This morning Hans Oldson, seaman, died. He was a Dane by birth; and his death unhappily occasioned by a tree falling upon him. After lingering in torments for some days, a mortification took place; and we had the misfortune of lofing a very willing and well-behaved man. He was buried in the fmall island, to which, in consequence of the event, I gave his name.

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The harbour is called Endermo by the natives. It is fituated on the N. E. corner of the bay, formed by the apparent island which is an extensive peninfula of a circular figure.

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BOOK I. 1796. September High water, full and change of the moon, 5 h. 30' apparent time; rife and fall 6 feet.

The entrance into this extensive bay is formed by the land, making the harbour, which the natives call Endermo, and the fouth point of entrance, which they named Esarmi. They bear from each other N. 17° W. and S. 17° E. eleven leagues. There are no less than three volcanoes in the bay, which induced me to call it by that name. There are 50 fathoms of water in the centre, and the foundings gradually decrease on the approach to either shore: but the sketch to which I refer will best explain, though it has no pretensions to any great accuracy.

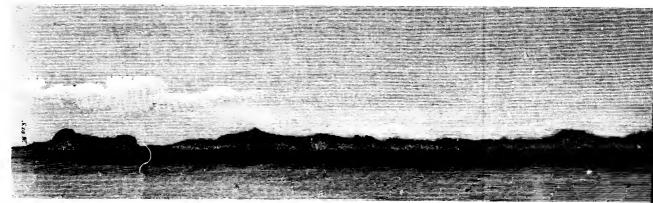
During our stay, at the period of the equinoxes, we experienced generally very fine weather, with gentle land and sea winds from the N. W. and S. E., and no swell to prevent a ship riding in safety even in the bay; and the harbour of Endermo is persectly sheltered from all bad weather.

I have feen few lands that bear a finer afpect than the northern fide of Volcano bay. It prefents an agreeable diverfity of rifing grounds, and a most pleafing

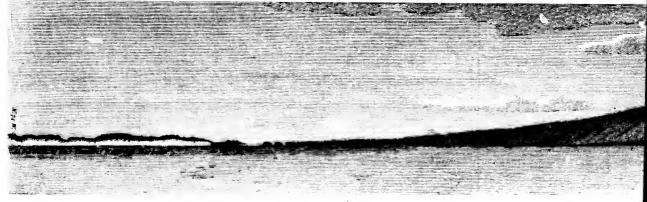
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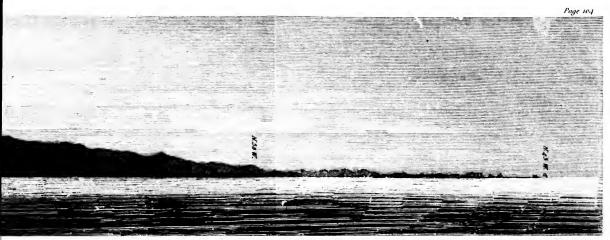
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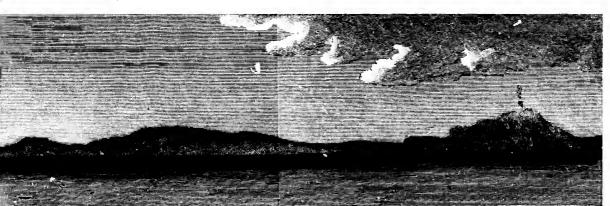
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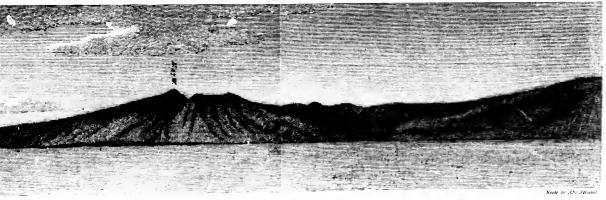
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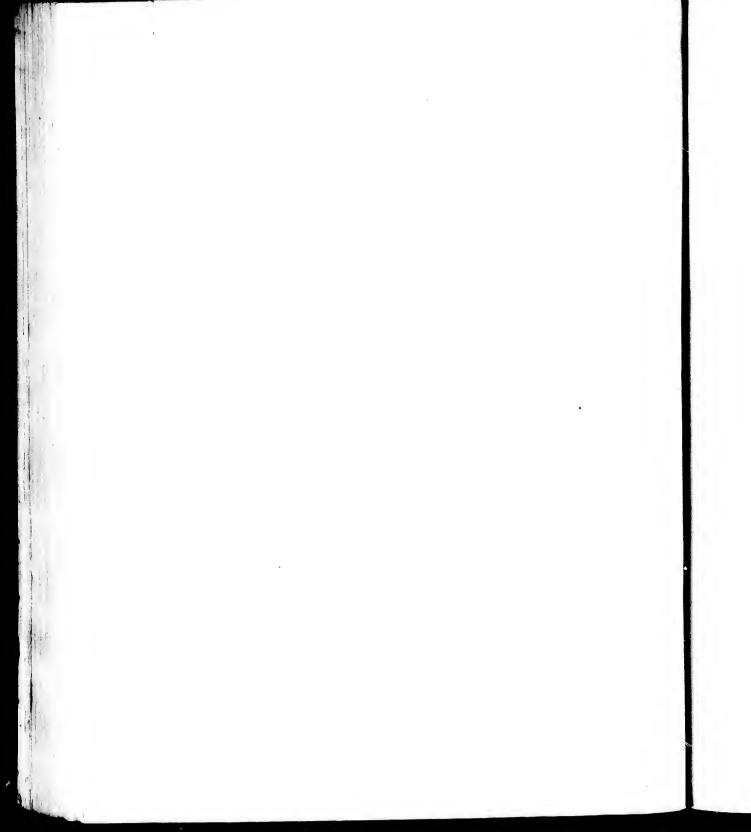


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The natives feemed to answer to the description given by Spanberg, the Ruflian navigator, who vifited an ifland in 43° 50' N. The men in general were of a thort stature, their legs inclining to bend outwards, and their arms rather fhort in proportion to their Their beards were thick and large, covering bodies. the greatest part of the face, and inclining to curl. The hair of the head was very bufhy, which they cut fhort before on the forehead, and below the ears: behind it was cut firait. Their bodies were almost univerfally covered with long black hair; and even in fome young children we observed the same ap-The women have their hair cut fliort pearance. round their heads, but much longer than the men: the back of their hands and forehead were tatoocd, as well as round the mouth. They had ftrings of glass beads round their necks, and other ornaments. The dress of the men consists of a loose gown, made of the inner bark of the lime tree; it reaches down to their knees, and is fastened round the middle by a belt, in which they carry a tobacco-box, pipe, and knife. Some of them had filver rings in their ears, with beads

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hanging from them. Their drefs is only worn in cold weather, which they flip off and on as may be most convenient: in the hot season they only wear a piece of linen round their waists. The semale drefs disters little from that of the men, except that their gowns reach to the middle of their legs: some of them were formed of seal or deer skins, adorned with pieces of blue cloth. The seatures of the women were pleasing, though much disfigured by the mode of cutting their hair. Their behaviour was modest, reserved, and becoming their sex. The children went entirely naked. The men saluted us in the most humble manner, sitting down eross-legged, stroaking their beards after stretching forth their hands, and bowing nearly to the ground.

Their houses were built of wood, and the walls formed of reeds, as well as the thatch. In the centre was the fire-place, and finall openings at each end of the roof to carry off the smoke. Over the fire-place copper sauce-pans for cooking were suspended, and a slight scaffolding for drying sish and grain. A platform was raised above the ground, covered with skins and mats, on which they slept. Their dwellings were generally of an oblong form.

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Their food confifts chiefly of dried fifth, boiled with fea-weed, and mixed with a little oil made from the liver of the fun-fith. They also feed upon feveral kinds of fruits and vegetables, fuch as grapes, winter berries, the fruit of the bramble, and others, with millet feed, At the villages they kept young bears and eagles in cages, probably for food, as we could not prevail upon them to part with any. Indeed their poverty feemed to allow little in the way of barter; for even fifth we could feldom procure, though it was their conflant employment to catch them. Wild grapes were plentiful, and a species of garlic or chives. Their boats were built chiefly of fir, with upper fireaks, increasing their width aloft, and continuing fore and aft, making them fharp at each end. They were fewed together with twifted willows, and the feams filled up with mofs. In pulling they made use of fkullers; but inftead of pulling them together, they moved one after the other, which prevented them from going in a strait line. Their nets were made of the twifted bark of the lime tree, dyed with oak bark. Their hooks, harpoons, &c. were procured from the Japanese. The repairing of their boats seems their chief employment, added to their collecting and drying the fea-weed, of which a large quantity is exported

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to Japan, as a valuable article of food. Birch bark is also an article of commerce.

The women are employed in weaving cloth for garments, and other necessary domestic work. The finoking tobacco is a favourite amusement with both fexes.

These people of Insu were tributary, and in great subjection to the Japanese, who prevented them as much as they could from having any intercourse with us; for whenever they appeared, the Japanese drove them away. They appeared a most harmless inostenfive race of men; and we regretted much the jealoufy of the Japanefe, which entirely prevented us from acquiring the information we wished concerning their customs and manners. They speak in a flow timid manner; and their language contains many Japanese words. There were fome trifling plantations of Indian corn and millet, but few other figns of cultivation. This we the more wondered at, as their diet feemed very feanty and precarious; and the ground produced abundance of vegetables, as we observed in the gardens belonging to the Japanefe.

We faw no other animals but horses, dogs, deer, bears, foxes, and rabbits; but from the drefs of the natives, it would appear that the island is not deficient September. in various kinds of peltry.

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The foil is good, and the produce luxuriant. The woods produce elm, oak, ash, maypole, birch, beach, lime, yew, filver fir, pines, poplars, hornbeam, and the faffafras tree, with a great variety of thrubs. There are few plants that grow spontaneously in England which are not to be found here.

Birds were few in number, fuch as eagles, crows, a yellow bird of the linnet kind, doves, wild geefe, ducks, flags, herons, fand-pipers, fea-gulls, &c. The fish were more numerous, such as whales, turtle, porpoifes, cod, fword fifth, fun and ftar fifth, and many fpecies of crustaceous fish.

The aftronomer made the following observations on fhore, opposite the anchorage, for the longitude, &c. &c.

Mean of observed latitudes. 42° 33' 11" N. Longitude deduced from many observations, 140° 50' 32" E. o° 16′ 30″ W. Variation on shore by 3 compasses, 1° 27' 20" E. Ditto on board by all the compasses

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High water at the full and change of the moon at 4 h. 30' apparent time; rife and fall between four and five feet. We experienced no tide at anchor.

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Fresh breezes and squally weather. In the afternoon, the wind being fleady and blowing flrong, we got under way, carrying two reefs in the topfails, and made fail for Point Efarme. At 5 h. 7' the fouth point of Endomo harbour bore East three miles, and at 6 h. 30' it bore N. N. W., the volcano S. 78° W. It was now dark, which prevented any remarks towards Point Efarme: we therefore, at 8 h., altered our course, steering for Infu, purposing to explore it to the northward. At 18 h. we faw the land bearing from N. to N. 75° E. fix or feven leagues.

At 2 h. 30 Strong breezes and cloudy weather. we rounded the rocks off the point, and shaped our course in the direction of the shore, at two or three miles diffant. At 6 h. the S. E. point of Infu bore S. 25° W. five or fix leagues; and the extreme to the North, N.  $25^{\circ}$  E. to  $30^{\circ}$  E.; and we had 20 fathoms. The night was moderate, and we kept plying under eafy fail, having regular foundings from 20 to 46 fathoms. We were much in the fame fituation at day-light: to the South, the land was high and rocky;

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and to the north-west, it became low and cliffy. At a considerable distance over the low land, we saw very mountainous land entirely covered with show. In general, the coast was very indifferently wooded.

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Extremes from S. 37° W. to N. 30° E., three leagues off flore.

The breeze came in from the fea, and we ficered along the fliore, which continued low and level. To the N. W. appeared the entrance of a river, or a deep bay, closed by low land; but I rather think the former. At funfet we had very little wind, and the extremes bore from N. 62° E. to S. 36° W.; an opening, N. 30° E.; and we were off fliore three or four leagues.

At 7 h. we were taken aback with the wind from the land.

At day-light the extremes bore from N. 40° E. to N. 62° W. feven or eight leagues.

At noon the extremes N. 70° E. to S. 76° W.; ftarboard point of an opening in the land N. 21° W., off thore four or five leagues; Peaked Hill N. 9° W.

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At 2 P. M. the opening bore off us N. N. W., on with the peaked hill; it appeared to be closed by low land. From it the coast tended to the castward, very flat and steep clayith cliss. At 7 h. we were abreast of an opening promifing good fhelter: an ifland lay in the centre, with an hummock on its east extreme. A finaller ifle was to the West of it, on which the sea broke. At funfet the north extreme bore N. 50° E.; island, N. 35° E.; and the fouth extreme, N. 80° W. At 8 h. we hauled our wind for the night, and in the morning steered N. E. At day-light the island bore N. 84° W., five leagues; and the extreme, N. 30° E. Some low flat islands appeared between us and the fhore; but we could not positively ascertain them, for the hazy weather over the land. The coast presented a bare prospect, with a few scattered trees, &c. of very little elevation.

At noon the extremes bore from N. 40° E. to S. 74° W., three leagues off fhore. Light breezes and fair weather.

5th.

We freezed in the direction of the land, about two leagues diftant. At funfet we had paffed two iflands near the main, bearing from W. to N. 41° W.; and the extremes from N. 55° E. to S. 64. W., five or fix miles. miles. At 7 h. we hauled off under eafy fail, having 25 fathoms fandy bottom. At 18 h. the extremes made like iflands, bearing from N. 11° E. to N. 34° W. By 20 h. we were well up with them. To the Weft, we faw the continuation of the flat land which we fupposed the main. The islands presented a barren furface, with rocks above and under water, projecting from their extremes to a considerable distance, covered with oceanic birds. We also faw a good many whales.

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At 21 h. we faw-high land to the north-eaftward; and at noon we were nearly abreaft of some rocks detached from the flat land, but seemingly connected by a reef: they bore North to N. 34° W. three or sour miles, and we had 45 fathoms. To the North we saw high land; and an island bore from N. 15° E. to N. 40° E.

6th.

At 3 h. we were abreaft of the extreme fet, N. 15° E. as an ifland; and we loft the continuation of coaft, which tended to the N. W. At 5 h. the wind fhifted to the N. E. quarter, with gloomy weather. The ifland, at 6 h., bore from N. 25° E. to N. 60° W. four or five miles; and the rocks fet at noon S. 70° W. We flood to the S. E. during the night.

BOOK I. 1796. October. Thick foggy weather prevented our feeing the island distinctly till near noon. At noon it bore from N. 12° W. to N. 42° E. four or five miles, and the rocks from S. 67° W. to S. 80° W.; by which it appears we had been set to the W. S. W.

We steered to pass to the westward of the islands, which assorbed rather a barren prospect of a moderate elevation. They were very rocky towards the sea; but in the hollow ridges formed by the hills we saw some trees; and as we passed the south point we perceived a small village. At sunset the island bore S. 5° E. to N. 74° E. sour or sive miles; and we had 37 sathoms, sine sandy bottom.

After midnight we preferved our fituation, making fhort boards till day-light, when the island bore from S. 22° E. to S. 42° W. five or fix miles. In the morning we had the wind from the S. W., and we plied to windward. We saw land to the N. N. E. and N. W., but indistinctly.

At 20 h. we passed the north side of the islands; and before noon we fent a boat on shore. On their return, they reported they had seen springs of good water,

water, and the land covered with coarfe grafs; the foil a rich mould, composed of decayed vegetables. They found abundance of crow-berries and billberries, with a species of cranberry, and great quantities of the fabina. At noon the N. W. point bore N. 80° W. three or four miles; and the other extreme S. 23° W.

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The crew of the boat found a species of juniper, fome yew trees, and the filver pine. The shores abounded with wild fowl; and they faw many paths, as they supposed, of animals.

8th.

This is most probably the same island visited by Spanberg: vide Cook's 3d voyage, Vol. III. p. 388; fee also Muller, Voyages et Decouvertes, &c. p. 210, and feq. After noon we fleered N. N. E. for the land, bearing in that direction. At funfet it bore N. 10° E., and a remarkable peaked mountain covered with fnow N. 65° W. Spanberg's Island from S. 30° W. to S. 50° W. about five leagues. At daylight we were nearly in the fame fituation, and we fleered N. N. W. for a paffage which appeared to divide the peaked hill land from the other to the N. E. We tried for foundings in the passage unsuccessfully. and passed through several strong riplings. At 21 h. the peak bore West. At noon we were well clear of

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BOOK 1. 1796. October. of the firaits, which are four or five leagues wide; and we brought to the wind, having 45 fathoms, to observe the latitude, having the following bearings: Spanberg's Island S. 17° E. 41 miles; a rocky point which forms the west entrance of the passage, and from which extends a reef some distance S. 20° W. 5 or 6 miles. Peaked hill S. 52° W., and the extreme of the same land S. 82° W. The high land making like an island from N. 48° E. to 61° E.

9th.

Conceiving the peaked hill land to be the N. E. part of Infu, as it plainly took a direction to the weftward, and the wind being fixed at S. W., we embraced the opportunity of proceeding to the N. E. in the further exploring of the iflands. In the bearing of the peaked hill the coaft formed a bay, with a fine fandy beach; and the mountain, which in this point of view formed a faddle hill, prefented a very magnificent appearance from its great height, and extensive base.

Our course lay in the direction of the island which was broken and elevated, and at 4 h. we were abreast of a hill which rose from the sea shore, with a steep ascent to a considerable elevation of a conical shape, and evidently volcanic: we passed within two miles of

it, and plainly perceived it covered with stones and cinders down to its base, as if an eruption had lately happened. Round the crater it presented ragged and misshapen points; and some small shrubs were growing on the S. W. side very low down. This abrupt hill was connected with the island by a low ishmus, which receded from it on each side, so as to form circular bays; and the land continued low to some distance. At surfet the extremes bore from N. 55° E. to the volcano S. 24° W. two leagues.

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10th.

Throughout the night we had very fqually weather; and at 16 h. we flood in for the ifland, which at daylight we faw to the E. N. E., very indiffinctly from the obscurity of the weather, which was fqually and rainy, preventing any meridional observation. At noon the extremes were from S. 5° E. to N. 8° E. three or four leagues.

It threatened to blow hard; at 4 h. it increased to a strong gale with constant rain: the island then bore of us S. E. two or three leagues the N. extreme, and we had 95 fathoms water when we furled the topsails. At midnight it was more moderate, and at daylight we made sail. In the morning the wind shifted to the N. W., and we saw the land bearing from us S. 61. E.

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to S. 27° E.: a low point S. 8° W., off shore four or five leagues. The weather soon became thick and hazy, and we lost fight of land very soon after seeing it; and the wind increasing without any prospect of its clearing away, we close-reesed the topsails, and stood to the N. N. E. with dark, gloomy, and uncertain weather.

Srong breezes, and very dark gloomy weather with an increasing gale in the evening, obliged us to reduce our fail, and strike the top-gallant masts.

At daylight we faw land bearing from S. 5° W. to S. 22° E. eight or ten leagues; but the gale continuing, we wore fhip and flood to the N. E. We faw this ifland very indiffinctly from the flate of the weather.

12th.

Towards midnight the weather became more moderate, and at 11 h. we wore ship. At daylight we saw more land, extending from S. 80° E to a low point S. 30° E.; and at the same time the island seen yesterday bore from S. 20° W. to S. 37° W., and soon after a third appeared; this we conjectured to be the same we passed on Sunday. We stood towards them till 8 A. M. to convince ourselves they were not connected with each other, when we altered our course to N. E. with a gentle wind, which induced us to get up the top-gallant

top-gallant masts and make sail. At noon we were 12 miles South of our estimation, when the extremes of the northernmost island bore from N. 70° E. to S. three or four leagues; it appeared very high, and broken land in parts with projecting rocks, and in general very barc. We also observed snow in the cavities of the hills.

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The other island was equally high and barren: it bore from S. 32° W. to S. 46° W. seven or eight leagues, but was of very little extent. The other island was not in fight.

13th.

The extremes preserved nearly the noon bearings, the head swell having impeded our progress. No foundings.

At daylight we saw more land to the N. E., but a thick fog-bank from the horizon upwards prevented our remarking its connection with the other land, which at noon bore from S. 20° W., to S. 40° W. six or eight leagues; outer land making an island N. 63° E. By an indifferent observation we were 15 miles North of account. Dark and very gloomy weather. No soundings with 115 fathoms.

## CHAP. VI.

Paffage to Marikan, one of the Kurile Islands—through the Straits of De Vries.—Company's Land.—Staten Island.—Unfavourable Weather prevented our going through the Straits of Sangaar.—Range the Eastern Coast of Japan.—Bay of Jeddo.—Japanese Boats.—Fatsis Islands.

BOOK 1. 1796. October 14th. At ½ past 4 h. a fresh wind sprung up from the S. E. quarter, and we made sail for the casternmost land, which at 5 h. bore N. 67° E.: sounded frequently without reaching the bottom. At ½ past 9 h., being well up as we imagined with the land, we tacked, and continued plying under easy sails. At midnight we had heavy squalls of wind; and at 14 h. we stood to the eastward under close-recsed topsails. At day-light we perceived plainly the outer land to be an island high and round and very small; it bore East from us. The same weather still continued, and it was so very hazy we could not discern any other land. At 22 h. 30 m. we had nearly lost sight of the round island, bearing S. 6° W. sour or sive leagues.

The fame unfavourable weather, with a cold damp air. At noon we had no land in fight, and we tacked to the S. W. The hazy atmosphere prevented any observation.

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Fresh breezes and squally weather, with a dark and hazy atmosphere. At 3 h. we setched well up with Round Island, and again stood to the eastward, under easy sail, expecting the weather to clear up, to admit our making some remarks upon the islands we had hitherto impersectly seen. In the evening the wind moderated, and we had heavy showers of rain.

15th.

At funrife Round Island bore S. by W. four or five leagues; and we discovered new land to the eastward. We kept upon a wind to the S. E.; and at noon the Round isle bore S. 60° W. five or fix leagues; another island S. 24° W.; and the land discovered in the morning bore from S. 84° E. to N. 56° E.; and we had no foundings.

ı 6th.

The wind not permitting our passing South of the island to the N. E. of us, at 3 h. we made sail in the direction of it. The southern part of it was very high, sloping gradually from its elevation, and terminating in broken ridges at the base. A neck of low

BOOK 1796. October. land connected this ifthmus with the other part of the At funfet it bore from S. 36° E. to N. 50° E.: ifland. and Round Island S. 63° W. The night was a fine moon-light night, and we run along thore till 10h., when we plied as ufual, having no foundings with 100 fathoms. At day-light the ifland bore from S. 9° E. to N. 75° E. four or five leagues; a hill of a circular form, nearly in the centre of the ifland, S. 77° E. The morning was fqually, with variable weather; and at noon we had passed the north extremity of the island, and hauled up for a paffage that divided it from another ifland: unfortunately we had no observation. A finall opening bore S. 48° E. three miles; the ifland (fupposed Maruchan) from S. 25° W. to S. 59° E.; the northern ifland N. 47° E. to N. 67° E. three or four leagues.

17th.

At 1 h. 30, the entrance of a finall opening bore S. S. W. two miles, and we had 55 fathoms. As I conjectured this to be the harbour which is mentioned by Captain Cook to be fituated on the N. E. fide of the itland of Maruchan, and where the Ruslians are faid to have a fettlement, in  $47\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  N. lat., we have to and fent a boat on fhore. At funfet the entrance bore S. 5° W. three miles; and we opened the S. W. point of Maruchan on with the N. W. point, making them

them in one bearing N. 40° E. and S. 40° W. The N. W. point fell abruptly to the fea, with fome rocks feattered off it; and the N. E. point bore S. 30° E. four or five miles. The other ifland bore from S. 36° E. to S. 66° E. three or four leagues. The eaftern point runs out into low land, but the western point formed a high rugged bluff head. The passage between these islands is persectly clear to all appearance, but the absence of the boat prevented our proving it. At 7 h. 30′ we had the pleasure to see her returning, and we kept our wind to the N. W. The night was calm; and in the morning we had the wind at S. S. E., with thick, hazy, threatening weather, which induced me to stand to the S. W. At 21 h. 30′ Marukan south point bore S. 26° E.

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Strong breezes, with foggy and threatening weather, made us expect another gale, in which we were not deceived. At 3 h. 30' we faw Round Island, bearing S. 10° W.; and the gale increasing, we passed it at 5 h. 30' to the eastward, leaving another small island to the East, bearing from Round Island S. 45° E., which makes in two hummocks.

18th.

At 7 h. 50' being clear of the islands, we furled the foresail, and brought to under the storm stay-fails, in R 2 a very

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a very hard gale of wind, with continued rain. At 9 h. from the motion of the fhip I fell down upon the quarter-deck, by which unlucky accident I had the misfortune to fracture my right arm above the elbow. The gale gradually, at 15 h., began to moderate; and by the next hour it veered round to the W. N. W., leaving a confused sea. At day-light we saw Round Island, and we made sail to the North. At 20 h. it bore S. 70° E., and Hummock Island S. 36° E.

 At noon we had light breezes and a large fwell from the Eaft, Round Island bearing S. 40° W. to S. 64° W. three or four miles.

The winter feafon being now fet in we proceeded to the South, intending to explore the east side of the Kurile Islands, if possible.

The officer reported the harbour in the island of Maruchan to be only calculated for small vessels, having a bar in the entrance with no more than two fathoms water; but within the bar it formed a spacious bason, with regular soundings of sive and seven fathoms.

The fettlement of the Russians he found abandoned; but there still remained crosses crected in different

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ferent places, and the Ruslian arms carved and painted. The natives were similar to those in Volcano Bay, but spoke apparently a different language. They were clothed in bear skins, and wore boots of Ruslian manufacture, and cotton handkerchiefs round their heads.

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These people were equally gentle in their manners, and in appearance possessed the same degree of poverty in their manner of living, and the construction of their habitations, as those we had before remarked at Infu.

The land was covered with long grafs and mofs, fome trees of the dwarf pine, alder, bill, and crow berries.

There were many feals, and abundance of fea eggs.

It is to be remembered, we had traced the land of Infu or Jesio from Volcano Bay, to the N. E. point of what we conceived to be one island, extending from 41° 49′ N. to 44° 30′ N., and from 140° 30′ E. to 146° 22′ E., an extent of 100 leagues of its S. E. coast; which agrees very well with the account of De Vries's voyage, supposing he made the land in the same situation we did about the S. E. point. Captain King,

in

1796. October. in the notes to Cook's 3d voyage, page 377, remarks, that in this part Captain Spanberg's discoveries place the island of Matimai, Kunashir, and Zellany; and that probably the mistake of De Vries in supposing it one land was owing to the foggy weather. I am of a different opinion; for we saw no island of any size till we came to one in 43° 50′ N. and 146° 50′ E., and which I suppose to be the same Spanberg watered at, and is called in Cook's voyage Nadeegsda.

In October the 12th we were in the latitude of 46° 1 N. and 148° 45' E., which is nearly the fituation of the firaits of De Vries; and we conjectured the northern land to be what he calls the Company's land, and the fouthern land Staten Island, but which is named Nadcegsda in the above voyage and chart. Captain King supposes the Company's land to be Ooroop and Nadeegsda of the Ruflians. As we failed round this ifland, it is most likely to be Ooroop, in which it is faid there is a good harbour; and Staten Ifland I imagine to be the Nadeegsda of the fame nation. The violent gales we met with, after leaving Marukan, prevented our examination of the eafi fide of thefe iflands, and paffing, as I intended, through the firaits which divide the land of Infu from the coast of Nipon or Japan. Captain King also imagines Staten Island, feen feen by the Castricom, to be the Three Sisters; and for which reason, as he explains in the voyage, they are so placed in the chart. Vide Vol. III. p. 391, &c. of Cook's 3d voyage.

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The ifland of Maruchan W., at midnight bore E. 1° 19th. N. Round Ifland, West.

At 20 h. the Round Island bore from S. 65° W. to W. Hunmock Island S. 5° E.

At noon Hummock Point S. 14° W.; Round Island from West to N. 80° W.; and the large island to the South from S. 34½° W. to S. 41° W.

Light winds and clear weather, with the appearance of a ftrong foutherly current.

20th.

15 h. Paffed the Hummock Island, which we now plainly perceived was two islands; bore S. 75° W. and N. 85° W. five leagues.

Centre of Marukan fouthern part N. 38° E., and Round Island N. 40° W.

Sounded throughout the night without reaching the bottom.

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BOOK I. 1796. October. Hummock or Saddle Island N. W. by W. 4 past 18 h.: tacked.

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At funfet the fouthernmost island bore from S.66° W. to N. 84° W. eight or ten leagues; Saddle or Hummock Island N. W. I. N.; and the fouth extreme of Maruchan N. 27° W.: nearest land seven leagues. At 8 h. thick foggy weather.

The wind fuddenly fhifted to the westward, and blew strong, with clear weather.

- 13 h. Variable, with light airs of wind gradually veering to the fouthward.
  - 18 h. Made fail.
  - 24 h. Fresh breezes and fine weather.
- 23d.
- 1 h. Freih breezes and fine weather.
- 4 h. Strong breeze, and hazy, fhortened fail.
- 6 h. Hauled upon a wind under eafy fail.
- 9 h. Dark cloudy weather, with heavy rain. Wore fhip.
  - 12 h. Strong fqualls. Struck the top-gallant mafts.
- 16 h. Moderate breezes and variable, thick fog and heavy rain, with a large fouthern fwell.
  - 23 h. Light airs. Out reefs, and made fail.

24 h.

24 h. The fame fog ftill continued.

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1 h. Fresh breezes and very hazy weather, with a fouthern swell.

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- 3 h. Thick foggy weather. Tacked ship.
- 6 h. Shortened fail for the night, with moderate and foggy weather.
- 8 h. Wind veered to the weftward, and increased to a fresh breeze, with very hazy weather at 10 h., and we close-recsed the topsails.
- 12 h. Wore thip, and firuck top-gallant mafts. Very heavy fqualls. At 13 h. furled the topfails and courfes, and brought to under the fform ftay-fails. Heavy gales of wind, attended with hail, at 15 h., laying to under a mizen from ftay-fail.
- 19 h. Got the jib-boom in, and lowered down the gaff.
  - 24 h. Strong gales and fair, with a large fea.
  - 1 h. Strong gales and fine weather, with a large fea.
  - 3 h. Set the forefail reefed.

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- 9 h. More moderate. Set the main-topfail close rected.
- 12 h. Fresh gales and fine weather. Set the foretopsail

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1796 October. 15 h. The gale gradually decreafing.

18 h. Light airs. Made fail. Very clear weather.

21 h. Variable and fqually weather, which inercafed towards noon, with rain, as the wind veered to the fouthward.

24 h. Fresh breezes, with rainy weather.

26th. 1 h. Strong breezes and dark cloudy weather, with rain. Half past 2 h., the wind suddenly shifted to the W. N. W., with heavy squalls, which obliged us to close-reef the topsails.

In the afternoon feveral flocks of gulls were feen, and two land birds came into the flip.

- 12 h. Dark cloudy weather, with showers of hail.
- 18 h. Fresh breezes and squally weather. Made more fail.
- 24 h. Fresh breezes and clear weather. 41' south of account since last observation.

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- 1 h. Fresh breezes and cloudy weather. Made fail.
- 4 h. A finall land bird, of the colour of a chaffinch, was caught on board; and a spermaceti whale passed close to the ship.
  - 12 h. Light breezes and clear weather.

19 h.

- 19 h. Fresh breezes and clear weather from the S. W. quarter; and we made fail to the W. N. W.

  24 h. Ditto weather, with an increase of wind.

  Barometer falling.
- 1 h. Strong breezes and fine weather. In fecond 28th. reefs.
  - 3 h. A number of porpoifes about the ship.
- 5 h. Fresh gales and dark cloudy weather. Close-reesed topsails, and struck top-gallant mass. At 5½ h. wore ship.
  - 10 h. Furled the fore and mizen topfails.
- 12 h. Heavy fqualls of wind and rain, with lightning.
- 20 h. Fresh gales and strong squalls, which obliged us to clew up the main topsail at times, and to reef the foresail. At 23 h. it became more moderate, with sair weather, and the wind veered to the N.W. Heavy swell from the S.W. quarter.
- 1 h. Moderate breezes and cloudy, with a great bead fea. Made more fail. Barometer rifing faft.
  - 6 h. Fresh breezes and cloudy weather.
  - 12 h. Clear weather, with an increase of wind.
  - 18 h. Strong breezes and dark cloudy weather.

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Close-reefed the topfails, and furled the fore and mizen ditto, and firuck top-gallant mafis.

- 22 h. Barometer fluctuating this morning.
- Fresh gales of wind, with showers of sleet. 24 h.

Fresh gales and very hazy weather, with a 30th. large fea. Hauled our wind to the fouthward, under main-topfail and forefail. Got the jib-boom in and fpritfail yard.

> 8 h. Thick foggy weather, with the gale moderat-Set the topfails. The barometer, during the night, fell confiderably.

> Moderate breeze, with drizzling rain. Tried for foundings during the night. Sea confiderably gone down. At 121 h. the wind veered to the fouthward, and the same fog remained.

> 18 h. Got the top-gallant masts up, jib-boom and fpritfail yard out, and made fail. Heavy rain at 20 h. with thunder and lightning. Wore fhip. after was calm, and we had continual rain.

24 h. Calm and cloudy, with a fouthern fwell.

Variable weather, with a confused sea. Several uft. land birds about; two of them were taken, and a wild duck was fhot: we were also accompanied by sheerwaters,

waters, peterels, and albatroffes. At 4 h. the wind increased, and we tacked. At 5 h. we had strong gusts of wind from the western quarter, which soon obliged us to reduce our fails; and at 6 h. to surl the fore and mizen topsails.

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11 h. The gale again fetting in from W. and N. W., gave us no hopes of patting through ftraits that divide Japan from Matzmai; and the advanced feafon rendered it very likely we should not succeed after further perfeverance: added to which, my confinement, owing to my broken arm, precluded any fatisfactory remarks even were we to succeed. I therefore gave up the idea for the present year, and we shaped our course in the direction of the Japanese coast, purposing to make the land about White Point, and continue the coast to the fouth, as the weather admitted.

24 h. Fresh gales and cloudy weather, with a large following sea.

1 h. Fresh gales and squally weather, with a heavy swell from the N. W. quarter. Barometer gradually rising.

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- 4 h. Squally, with showers of hail.
- 6h. Heavy rain, with variable weather but more moderate.
  - 17 h. Light breezes, with lefs fwell; 1/2 past we were

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West. Made all fail.

November, 24 h. Light airs with fine clear temperate weather, and finooth water.

2d. 1 h. Light airs and calms, with fine weather.

12 h. Cloudy weather.

16 h. Moderate breeze, with rain.

24 h. Fresh breezes and continual heavy rain, with smooth water.

1 h. Strong breezes and fqually weather, with rain.

7 h. No bottom with 70 fathons. In two reefs.

12 h. Squally weather, with flowers of rain.

19 h. Made fail. Unfortunately the time-piece N° 1, was neglected to have been wound up this day at noon, and remained ufeless to us for the present; much to be regretted, on account of the strong currents.

24 h. Fresh breezes, with frequent squalls and heavy ram.

4th. I h. Fresh breezes and cloudy weather, with frequent squalls of wind and rain; at noon we stood West to make the land before night.

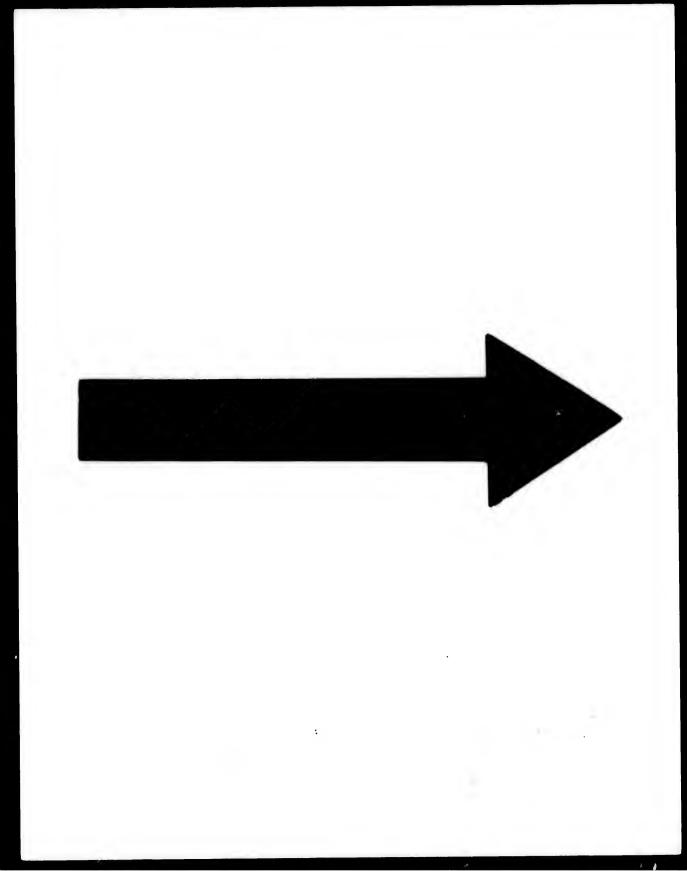
- 5 h. In third reefs, and hauled our wind under eafy fail.

  9 h. Tried for foundings with 100 fathoms of line.

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  November.
  - 11 h. Moderate, with continual rain.
  - 14 h. Light airs.
  - 17 h. Calm and variable. Light flowers of rain.
- 20 h. Swell from the eastward. Barometer stationary there 24 hours. A tropic bird and a duck seen in the morning. Small rain.
- 23 h. Heavy showers brought the wind to the North, and we made fail to the W. N. W. to make the land of Nipon.
- 1 h. Strong breezes and fqually, with dark, cloudy 5th. weather.
  - 6 h. Moderate and fine weather.
  - 8 h. Tried for foundings.
- 10 h. Wore ship, and kept our wind: easy sail for the night.
  - 12 h. Cloudy weather, with showers of rain.
  - 14 h. Wore ship, and stood to the westward.
  - 18 h. Made fail.
- 24 h. Fresh breezes and very clear weather. A swell from the northward.
  - 1 h. Moderate breezes and fine weather.

    8 h. Light



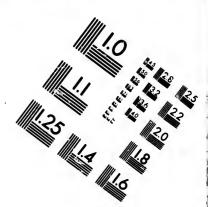
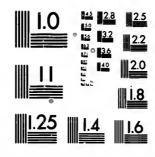


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BOOK I.

November.

8 h. Light winds.

12 h. Hazy, with rain; wore ship, and tried for foundings.

15 h. Wore thip: drizzling rains.

18 h. Continual rain. Passed several patches of seaweed. Many land birds about the ship. One of them (a dove) was taken.

21 h. Variable weather, and very unfettled during this morning. Barometer very low.

24 h. The wind fuddenly flifted to the N. W., and brought clear weather.

7th. 1 h. Moderate breezes and cloudy weather. Various land birds and many butterflies with other infects about the fhip.

4h. Every appearance of a firong northerly current.

7 h. The wind shifted in a violent squall, and soon increased to a hard gale, which obliged us to hand the topsails and strike the top-gallant mast. At 9 h. it blew a very strong gale, when we sured the courses and brought to under a storm stay-sail. At 10 ½ h. wore ship.

At 14 h. 30 m. the gale moderating, fet the forefail, and topfails clofe-reefed. Very clear weather, when the wind veered to the W. N. W.

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At 17 h. 30 m. wore ship, and made sail with a strong breeze and clear weather. The barometer rising sast.

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3th.

22 h. 1° 14' North of account fince last observation.

24 h. Ditto weather. Under courfes, and double-reefed topfails.

1 h. Moderate breezes and fair weather. Made more fail. Many whales about the fluip of the spermaceti kind.

ceti kind.
6 h. Light winds and clear, with a fwell from the N. W. quarter.

12 h. Ditto v eather.

16 h. Fresh breezes and fine clear weather.

24 h. Ditto weather; 36 miles to the North of account.

1 h. Fresh breezes and fine weather. At 2 h. we saw the land of Japan or Nipon to the westward from the mast-head.

9th.

5 h. Extremes of land from S. 80° W. to N. 40° W. four or five leagues. We also faw a fail to the west, supposed to be a junk. Shortened fail, and steered to the S. W. with a gentle breeze.

12 h. Light breezes, and cloudy.

18 h. Made all fail.

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BOOK I. 1796. November. At 17 h. the land from N 42° W to N. 80° W. five or fix leagues.

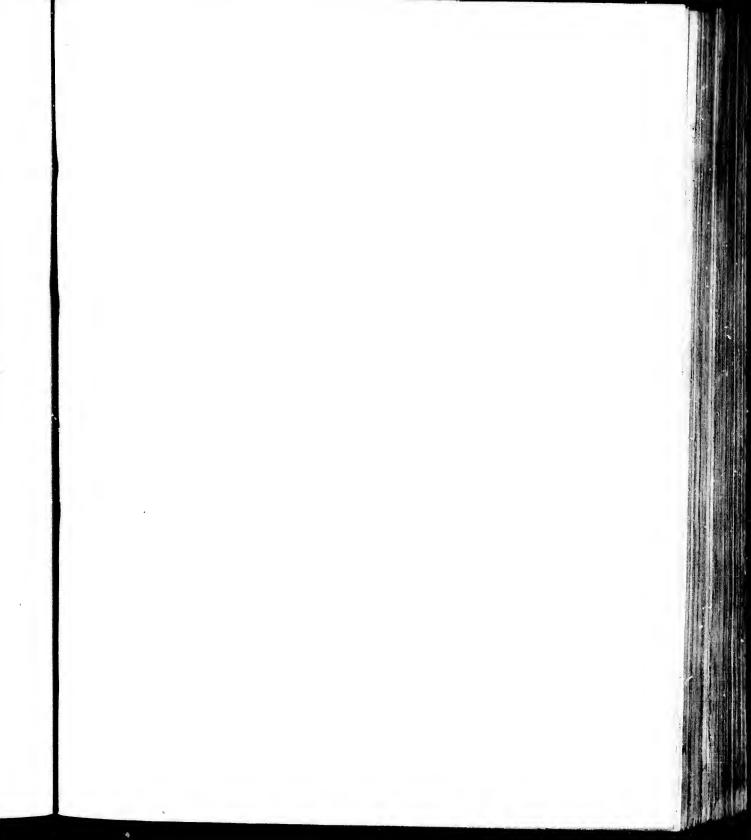
22 h. Dark, cloudy weather, and variable, with fmall rain.

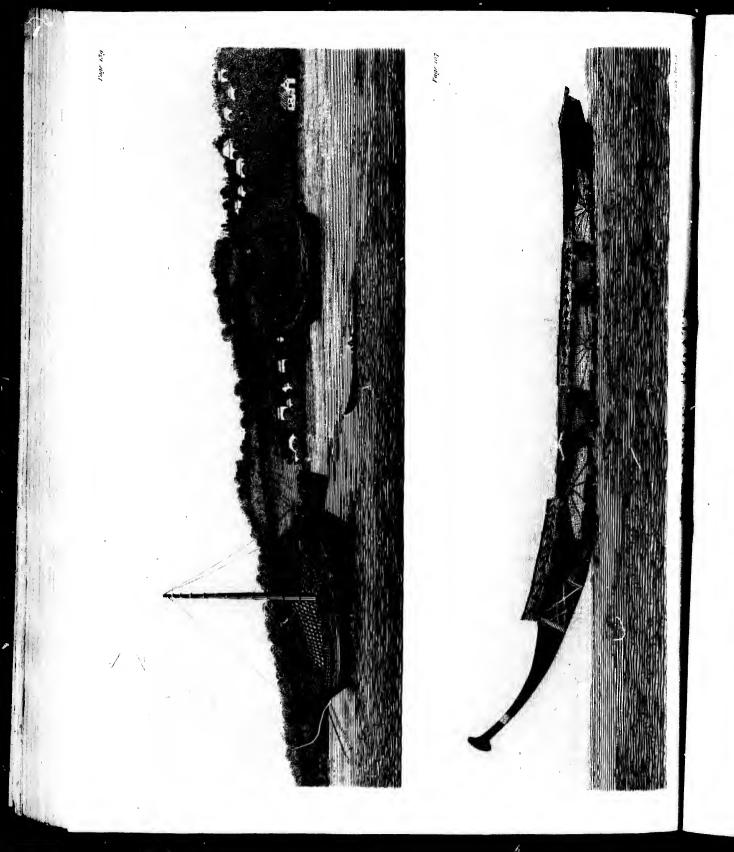
24 h. Continual rain, and very gloomy weather.

10th.

Variable and dark cloudy weather, with continued rain till 6 h., when it was calm. After 8 h. a breeze fprung up from the N. W., and we ftood in fhore. At 13 h. we were and ftood off; and at 3 we again ftood in fhore. At 6 h. 30' A. M. the land bore from N. 47° W. to 85° W.; a remarkable hill N. 82° W.; and we made fail. At 21 h. 20' the S. E. point of Japan bore N. 3° E., on with a diftant hummock. Allowing its longitude to be right 140° 40' E., as fettled in Captain Cook's voyage, we fet the watch, N° 1, a-going, allowing its rate to be the faine as before.

The fhore from White Point tended to the S. W. It was of moderate elevation, with chalky cliffs to an opening, from whence came many fishing boats; and from thence it continued bare of wood and destitute of verdure. We steered nearly in the direction of the coast, with fine clear weather, and at the distance of two leagues; and at noon we were abreast of an ex-





tensive town. The land about it appeared richly cultivated, in ridges rifing above one another in the fides of the hills. The tops of these hills were steep and November. craggy; and in the hollows between them we faw fome wood, but in no quantity, To the N. E. of the town the coast was indented. The extreme, South of the town, S. 79° W. 10'; opening, or river, N. 9' W.; land about White Point, making north extreme, N. 34° E.; Round Mountain, N. 58° W., 4 or 5 leagues off fhore.

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Moderate breezes and very fine weather. We faw feveral islands between the South and West; and at 5 h. we were abreaft of the fouth extreme, which bore N. 30° W. fix miles. This point forms the eaftern entrance into the bay of Jeddo. The Outer Island bore S. 20° W., ten or twelve leagues. In the afternoon we were vifited by many fifting boats. They were 36 feet long, S<sub>1</sub> wide, and 2<sub>1</sub> deep, very neatly built of oak, elm, and fir, very fharp forward, and with a rifing ftern, which projected beyond the real ftern, being a continuation of the fides. They have a false bottom, where they contain their fish; and in every respect they were most ingeniously constructed. They were steered in the Chinese manner; and each boat carried one mast, with a square cotton sail. т 2 They

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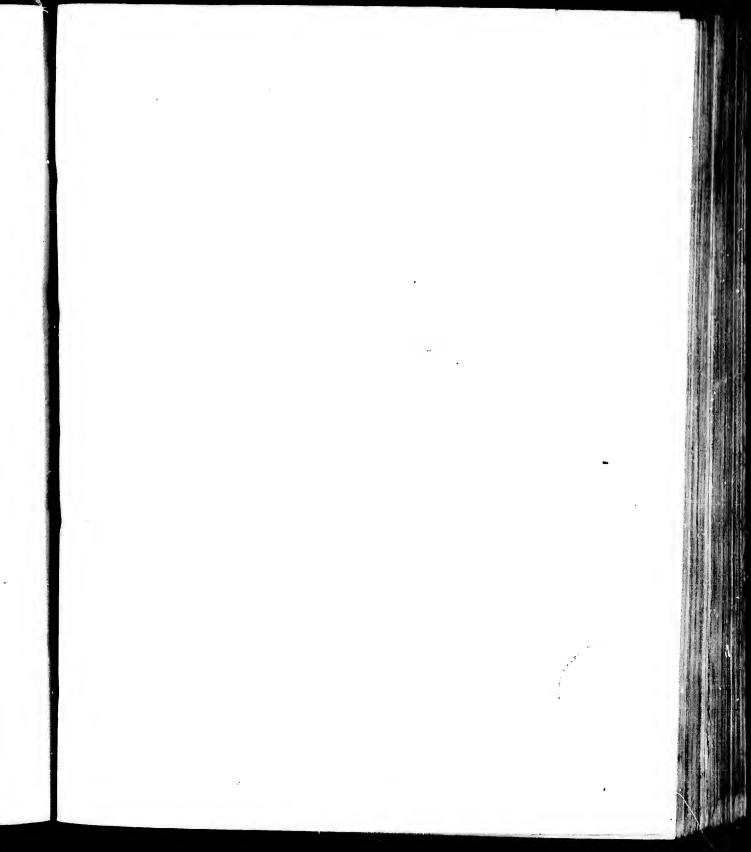
BOOK 1796. November. They very liberally supplied us with fish, without feeming to expect any return; and having fatisfied their curiofity, we parted mutually entertained. There were twelve men in each boat, and they made use of skulls instead of oars.

The night was calm; and at day-light we had a ftrong northerly wind, with fqually weather, which prevented our feeing the land till 19 h., when we difcovered the outer island bearing S. 59° W.; to our furprife, a strong current having set us to the eastward in the night. At noon the fouth point of Outer Island, S. 8° W., five miles; fouth extreme of Volcano Isle, on with rocks, S. 88° W.; distant high mountains open, with a hummock, N. 32° W.

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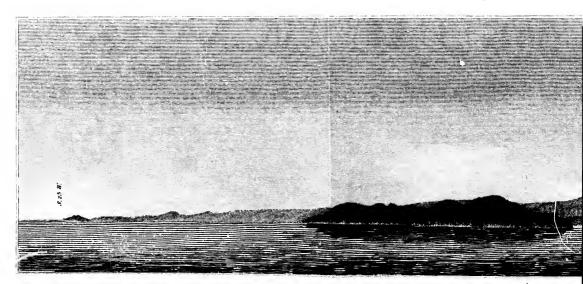
Strong breezes and fqually weather. After noon we bore up for the paffage between Volcano and Outer Isle, which was clear of all danger. Off the west point of Volcano Isle are some detached black rocks, at two or three miles distance; and in the direction of S. by E. from Outer Island we saw another island, ten or twelve leagues; and another small cluster of rocks, bearing from Outer Island S. W. five or fix leagues. After clearing the passage we hauled up to the W. N. W., to examine the northern islands.

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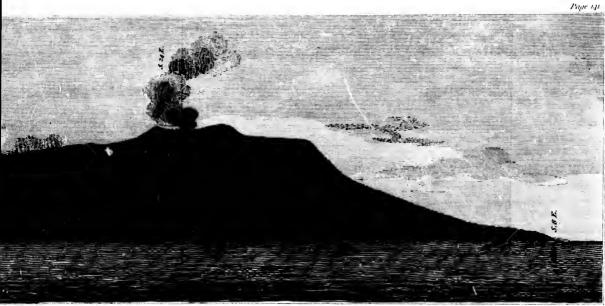




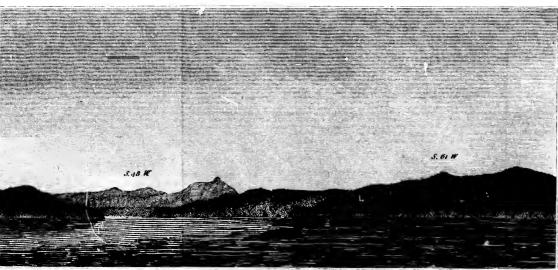
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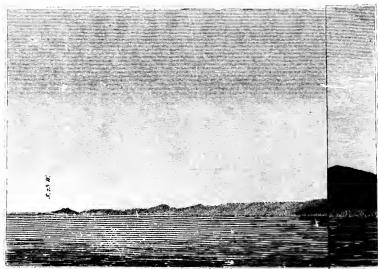


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night was moderate, but we had no foundings throughout. At 18 h. the northern iflands bore from N. E. to S. 79° E., and we fleered N. W. for the coaft. Some November. of these islands were of little extent, forming round hummocks: the centre ones long and narrow, with white cliffs, and connected by low ifthmuses. The largest was the Volcano, which afforded a pleasing prospect, being cultivated and clothed with verdure towards the peak, which rose gradually to a confiderable height. We faw no fmoke iffue from the crater, which appeared much broken.

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At noon the north extreme, which I conceive forms the western point of entrance to Jeddo bay, bore N. 57° E.; and the coast extended from thence to W. by N., off fhore five or fix leagues, of moderate elevation.

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Moderate breezes and variable weather, and very hazy, which prevented our observing the main land diffinctly. Near the fea it appeared low and level, with very high double land to the N.W., rifing to mountains. To the North the flore was much broken and indented, and appeared to form an opening. At 5 h. 20' a low point, making the nearest land, bore N. ½ E. five leagues; and we had very dark, gloomy, threatening

BOOK I. 1796. November. threatening weather: barometer falling. At 12 h. the wind increased; and at 16 h. we were under courfes and main-topfail. At 19 h. we had fqually weather, with a great deal of rain, and a large fea; and foon after we faw the rocks which are fituated to the S. W. of Outer Island. At first we took them for a veffel under low fail, till the iflands appearing difcovered our mistake. At 20 h. 30' they bore S. 50° E. three leagues, when we wore fhip. At 21 h. 10' the wind fuddenly shifted to W. N. W., and blew very firong, and the weather began to clear away: we shaped our course to pass to the North of Volcano Island, between it and an island that appeared much broken by the inequality of its form. At noon the rocks off the east extreme of Volcano Island bore N. 70° E., two or three miles; Broken Island N. 15° W. to N. 29° W., ten miles: very high mountain N. 22° W. Mount Fufi \*.

Fresh gales and clear weather, with heavy squalls of wind. We found the passage five or fix leagues wide

betwixt

<sup>\*</sup> Thunberg, in his voyage to Japan, fays, Vol. III. p. 158, "At Josiwara we were nearer than any where else to the mountain of Fusi. The Japanese reckon the height of it, in the ascent from the foot to the top, to be six leagues. In shape it resembles a sugar loaf; its top reaches above the clouds, and is discernible at many leagues' distance.

betwixt these islands, and no dangers. The north CHAP. point of Broken Island is rather high, with perpendicular whitish cliss. Off the S. W. part is a large de- November. tached rock, with feveral small ones about it. Its greatest extent is in a N. E. and S. W. direction, four or five miles. To the N. E. of it are two more itlands: the first is low and flat, but the northernmost is more extended, of moderate height, and connected in parts by low land, which makes it appear at a distance like feparate iflands, with a confpicuous white mark on the fouthern one, and a rock laying off it to the westward. Directly North of this island, at four or five miles' distance, are the two hummocks before mentioned: the northern one is the largest. In the afternoon we had a fine view of the famous Mount Fufi, towering above the high land, and covered with fnow. At 5 h. 30' it bore N. 48° W.; and a large ifland from N. 38° W. to N. 50° W., four or five leagues. Land to the W. N. W. feen indiffinctly. The wind preventing our entering Jeddo bay, we bore up to the South, to explore the iflands to the South of Outer Ifland, with a strong gale at West. At 18 h. 30' we saw the illands to the fouthward; and at noon they bore from N. 20° E. to S. 80° E., four or five miles. Variable weather.

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Fresh breezes and dark threatening weather prevented our having a meridian observation for the latitude: and the few remarks we were able to make on these islands were incomplete, on account of the weather which prevented our having any communication with them; and we plainly faw they were inhabited. I supposed them to be the islands of Fatsisio, fo called in the charts. The largest bears from what I diftinguish as Outer Island N. by W. and S. by E., 13 or 14 leagues. The westernmost one is only a high peaked hill, not more than one league in circuit; and if it had not been inhabited I should have imagined it to be inaccessible. On the north point the houses were furrounded with cultivations, laid out in ridges on the acclivity of the hill, as before remarked on Nipon. This ifland is two or three miles to the fouthwest of the other, and between them appeared a clear channel. After passing without the peaked isle, we hauled up to examine the other; but the wind veering to East, we could not approach within three or four leagues. It extends N.W. and S.E. three or four leagues, and prefented a very fertile appearance. The higher parts were obscured by the haze: its lat. 33° 6' E., and 140° E. long. The appearance of the weather gave us no hopes of a change; we therefore ficered

fleered to the westward, having strong gales with a great deal of rain.

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16th

Strong gales of wind, with thick and rainy weather.

5 h. The fame weather, with continual rain; and we brought to the wind under a clofe-reefed mainfail and forefail, with our head to the eaftward. Barometer still falling.

12 h. Heavy fqualls, and a large fea from the castward.

18 h. Ditto weather, with frequent fqualls and heavy rain from the S. E. which broke up the gale; and foon after it became calm, with a confused sea and constant rain. Set the topsails.

23 h. Barometer very low.

24 h. Light breezes from the north-west, and the appearance of fair weather.

The wind foon increased to a fresh gale, with very heavy squals; and soon after their violence obliged us to surl the topsails. We kept our wind under courses, in hopes of seeing the land; which we discovered at 3 h. 30' to the westward, three or sour leagues from us. We then wore ship, and tried for soundings. The weather presented a most threatening appearance in the western quarter, and we hauled up the courses

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BOOK I. 1796. November. to receive it. It was not fo heavy as we expected, but shifted in a violent squall off the land to W.N.W., which clearing away the haze, we had a more distinct view of the land at sunset. It extended from N.N.E., ending in a low slat point, which bore West. It blew strong with clear weather all night, and we carried close-reesed topsails till midnight, when the gale increasing, with a head sea, we took in the fore and mizen topsails. At 12 the land bore from N. by E. to N. N. W.; but at day-light, to our surprise, we could not discern it, although the weather was so clear as to admit our seeing a great distance. I conjectured the land we had seen to be the south point of Japan.

## CHAP. VII.

Passage to the Lienquicux Islands.—Off Formosu.—Arrival at the Typa, Macao.—Purchase of a Schooner.—Preparations for the further Prosecution of the Voyage.—Nautical Observations in the Typa.

Moderate breezes and cloudy weather. Out all reefs and made fail, keeping our head to the westward, close upon a wind.

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6 h. Light airs inclining to calm, with dark cloudy weather.

12 h. Light airs: ½ past, tacked ship. Clear and light night.

19 h. By the observations the current has fet us S. 18° E., 31 miles these 24 hours.

24 h. Calm and cloudy weather.

Very clear weather, with light airs of wind at 19th.

13 h. Light airs from the westward. Made fail.

17 h. Exercifed great guns and fmall arms.

20 h. Current S. 18° E. 27 miles.

24 h. Very fine weather and fmooth fea.

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20th

Light breezes and fine clear weather.

5 h. As the wind vecred round to the N.E. we had dark and hazy weather.

18 h. Out all reefs and made fail.

21 h. Current S. 83° W. 25 miles.

24 h. Breeze increasing, with fine weather and smooth water.

Moderate breezes and fine weather.

8 h. Dark cloudy weather, with lightning in the S. W. quarter.

10 h. At 10 h. 30' no bottom with 115 fathoms; and we had fqually weather, with thunder, lightning, and continual rain. Close-reefed the topfails, and brought to the wind, as we could not fee one mile a-head.

16 h. The weather more moderate and clear: bore up and purfued our former course. At 18 h. tried for foundings: no bottom 100 fathoms. Hazy showers of rain and squally weather.

24 h. Moderate and cloudy weather.

Moderate breezes and fqually weather, with heavy flowers of rain. At 4 h. 30' faw land to the W. N. W.; and at 5 h. 30' the extremes extended from S. 61° W. to N. 55° W., five or fix leagues. It appeared of moderate

derate elevation; but we observed it indistinctly from the gloominess of the weather. At 8 h. we hauled our wind for the night, which continued moderate, with November. frequent showers of rain; and we could not reach the bottom with 115 fathoms of line.

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13 h. Calm and cloudy at daylight: the land bore off us W.S.W., ten or twelve leagues; the current having fet us to the eastward during the night. Towards noon a breeze fprung up, and we made fail in for land. This morning we were fortunate in having good observations for the latitude and longitude, which determined our fituation at noon very exactly, and we had the following bearings: a faddle hill N. 24° E., and the extremes from N.40° E. to W. by N., appearing at intervals part of the land, made us conjecture the whole to be connected. The land to the W.S.W. we did not fee.

23d.

Fresh breezes and cloudy weather, and we stood in for the land. At 4 hours it was fqually with rain, which obscured it from our view. At 5 h. we tacked within two or three leagues of a bluff point, which bore from us N. 12° W., but we had no foundings with 80 fathoms. To the N. E. of the point the land appeared to recede confiderably, leaving the prospect of an opening; but the imperfect view we had, owing

воок 1796. November. owing to the badness of the weather, prevented our making any fatisfactory observations. We had strong breezes, with a head fea all night; and at daylight we had the wind to the North of West, with fine clear weather; and at 19 h. 30' we faw the land extending from N. 40° W. to N. 65° W. from the deck. Made all fail.

23 h. Current N. 76° E. 30 miles.

24 h. Strong breezes and clear. Land feen bearing N. 60° W. 12 or 13 leagues.

24th.

Strong breezes and fine weather. At 4 h. 20' the extremes of land from N. 55° W. to West, just visible from the deck. At 15 h. the land extended from N. 70° W. to N. 63° W. We judged these lands to be the continuation of coast; but the strong wind from the N. W. prevented our nearer approach. peared to be very high in detached parts.

We tried for foundings all night unfuccefsfully, and the breeze was now moderate. At 19 h. 30 we were well up with the extreme fouthern land feen last night, bearing S. 80° W., and the north extreme N. 12° W.; and we faw high diftant land to the S. W., apparently unconnected with the other. We steered towards a deep bay; and at noon we were three or

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four leagues from the fliore, which appeared high and rugged, much broken into ridges; in general bare of wood and rocky, but fome of the hills were clothed with wood up to their fummits. The extremes bore from N. 75° W. to N. 1° W.; flarboard point of bay N. 53° W., two or three leagues; Volcano Mountain N. 65° W.; high diffant land S. W., ten or twelve leagues.

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Light breezes and variable weather. The volcano, which is fituated in the interior parts of the bay, emitted vast columns of smoke; and we observed feveral boats fishing in shore, and a junk standing into the bay. At 5 h. the extremes bore from N. 18° E. to S. 75° W.; centre of bay N. 40° W., five or fix miles; low land, just visible from the deck, S. 68° W.; diftant land S. 42° W.; and more low land, feemingly connected with it, S. 25° W. We steered to the fouthward and eastward upon a wind. At daylight or 19 h. we faw the low land bearing S. 67° W.: the fame fet last evening S. 27° W.; the extremes, North of the bay, N. 27° W. We stood in shore for the low land, which was five or fix leagues, having moderate winds and cloudy weather. At noon the extreme, North of the bay, N. 15° W., and fouth extreme N. 72° W.;

25th.

and

BOOK I. 1796. November. and the fame diffant high land S. 58° W.; the other extreme, on with centre of low land, five or fix leagues. The volcanic bay feemed to be capacious, and most probably terminated with good shelter, for, after taking a northerly direction, it turned to the eastward. Current north 25 miles. Moderate and variable winds from the S. E. No foundings.

26th.

Moderate breezes and fine weather, with finooth water. As we approached the flore, more low land appeared; and at 5 h. we were within four or five miles of it, when it extended from S. 20° W. to N. 75° W., of little elevation, with a fandy fhore, and covered with scattered trees. The distant high land still ap peared over it, in the direction of S. 50° W., at a confiderable distance. The extremes, North of the low land, bore from N. 68° W. to N. 17° E., near the north point of the bay; and we had 45 fathoms. In this fituation we could not determine the connection of the low land with the diftant high land over it, which is most probably the case: but the opening to the North of N. 75° W. was fo much contracted, and making in low points from each shore, I conceived the whole to be joined, leaving in this indented part fome harbour we could not perceive, and which we were

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prevented determining by the wind in the morning veering to the S. W. As we could not fetch the fame land again, at 5 P. M. we flood to the eastward.

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Fresh breezes and squally threatening weather. 21' N. of account.

Fresh breezes and cloudy weather.

27th.

Moderate breezes, fine weather, and finooth water.

Clear star-light. In Arrowsinith's chart of 1791 are many islands laid down, nearly in our present situation at noon, said to be discovered by the Spaniards. We saw nothing to lead us to suppose we were in the vicinity of any current since our last observations, for the time-piece (being the interval of three days) N. 68° E. 38 miles.

22 h. Ventilated the ship with the foul-air extractor.

24 h. Ditto weather. Tropic birds and flying fish feen.

6 h. Dark and gloomy appearance in the N. W. quarter, which foon produced a change of wind, and

29th.

BOOK we flood to the westward. Lat. 28° 10' N., and long.

135° 15' E. at the time.

November.

30th.

Fresh breezes and cloudy weather.

6 h. Shortened fail.

12 h. Tried for foundings in the night.

18 h. Dark cloudy weather, with showers of rain. We steered to the westward, to fall in with the island of Great Lieuchieux.

24 h. Ditto weather. A fmall land bird and a hawk feen.

December

Fresh breezes and cloudy weather.

6 h. Shortened fail, and founded hourly during the night. No bottom.

12 h. Very cloudy weather: at daylight we made fail; and at 22 h. 30 m. we faw the ifland of Lieuchieux. At noon we had fqually and rainy weather, and we hauled up to the S. W. being five or fix leagues off. From the unfavourable weather, we could differ very little. The fhore appeared low and even, the western point falling abruptly to the sea. It extended from S. 76° W. to West; and we had no foundings with 105 fathoms.

24 h. Fresh breezes, with cloudy and squally weather.

Fresh

Fresh breezes and cloudy weather, with frequent fqualls attended with rain, which at times obscured the land. It appeared broken, the higher parts connected by low land; and to the South it was well cultivated and diversified by woods: towards the fea it was a larger parts of a bright vallow with space.

rose in clayey cliss of a bright yellow with sandy breaches. We kept upon a wind to the S. W., and at 5 h. 15 m. the extremes extended from S. 80° W. to N. 24° W. four or five leagues diffant. The coaft fill prefented the fame level appearance in general, very low. At 12 h, we were in the lat, of 26° N., and as I supposed near the southern part of the island. We plied under eafy fail till daylight. The night was moderate, with fome rain; and at 16 h. the wind fuddenly shifted to the N. W. quarter, with fqually, unfettled weather. At 19 h. the nearest land bore N. 30° W. three leagues, and the extremes from N. 10° E. to N. 67° W. We faw no other land in any direction, although the charts lay down fome iflands in this fituation. At 20 h. we faw feveral islands to the W. N. W.: the outer one, forming like a gunner's quoin W. by N. at 21 hours.

At noon the fouth part of the ifland Lieuchieux N. 46° E. to N. 68° E. fix or feven leagues. A low ifland, North eight leagues; from whence they extended

BOOK I. 1796. December. tended to the Quoin N. 54° W. in Number 5.: we fupposed them to be the Matchi Islands. Very hazy weather.

3d. Fresh gales and dark weather prevented our making any other remarks on Great Lieuchieux and the Madjicosemah Islands, but we steered a course to fall in with some other islands between them and Formosa. At 2h. 15' we lost sight of the Gunner's Quoin, bearing N. by E. The gale increased with heavy squalls of wind and rain, yet the barometer continued stationary.

At 9 h. we hauled upon a wind under a forefail and close-reesed main-topsail. In the morning it was more moderate, with a large sea from the northward; and we bore away at 16 h. 15, having clear weather. At 21 hours we saw low land to the westward, and at 23 h. 40 rounded a rees which extends to the eastward of the S. E. point of this island, composed of rocks above and under water; and we had 60 sathoms coral bottom. From the mast-head an island supposed to be seen bearing North from the rees, and another to the N. W.: and a hummock on with S. E. point N. 37° W. probably joined with the island. Just within the point to the westward is a fandy bay, and above it we discovered a village scattered amongst the

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trees, with fome cultivated fpots near it. At noon the S. E. extreme N. 9° W. two or three miles. The other extreme N. 85° W. very low. The reef N. 22° E. 45 fathoms corally bottom. Strong breezes and very fqually, but clear and pleafant weather.

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Strong breezes and fair, with heavy fqualls from the land, that prevented our risking any communication with the fhore: we therefore ranged the fouth fide at the distance of two or three miles. This island is univerfally low. On the tops of the rifing grounds were fome groves of trees, but the country in general was covered with heath or coarse grass, and several habitations were feattered along fhore; we also obferved finoke arifing in feveral parts. At 2 h. we had run the extent of the island, and were abreast of a finall iflet which is off the west point; between it and the fhore was a finall reef, and between North and N. 28° W. we faw more land. An extensive reef was fituated between these lands, as we saw the water frequently break; and we had 18 fathoms corally bottom. At 5 h. 15' we were within five or fix miles of a fmall island, bearing from N. 65° W. to N. 85° W., and high land to the W.S.W. At 18 h. 45' the finall island bore N. 66° W. four or five leagues, and the other island from N. N. E. to E. S. E.; and the high

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BOOK I. 1796. December. high land extended from S. 70° W. to N. 87° W., for which we freezed. At 22 h. we loft fight of the final ifland, and at noon we were three or four miles off the high land, which appeared in general well clothed with wood, and much broken; the hills being connected by fandy ithmuses. The S. E. point was low.

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Very fine weather enabled us to range the fliore at a little distance; it lies in the direction of N. N. E. and S. S. W., and near the S. E. extreme we observed an extensive village. A fmall reef lies off the point, and as we opened we discovered another island bearing S. 75° W. from it, and falling abruptly to the fea. At 2 h. 30 m. this head bore S. 88° W.; the village point N. E.; opening to fea between the island N. 7° E.; and we perceived two rocks in the midst of breakers N. 86° W. and S. 75° W. three or four miles, and we had no bottom with 100 fathoms. We bore up and passed without them, and soon after we saw several low, flat iflands, extending from the large iflands, connected with each other by coral reefs; at least so much fo in appearance as to preclude any clear paffage between them. At 5 h. 50' we approached an ifland of no elevation, bearing from S. 50° to S. 56° W. two or three leagues. The abrupt head N. 65° W., and in tlic the paffage between two finall hummocks bearing N. 85° W. The low islands from N. 6° W. to N. 40° W. three or four miles; and from N. 18° E. to N. 40° E., on with the land about Village Point. At 18h. 30 m. the island fet to S. W. last night, now bore N. N. W. ½ W., but squally and hazy weather prevented seeing the high land till 19 h. 45°, when the head bore North about five leagues, and the same land extended to N. 34° E.; a small opening N. 15° E. Low Island N. 45° E. to N. 6° E. sive or six miles. The hummocks N. 27° W.; at 20 h. 30 m. they bore North, and we lost sight of the land.

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Fresh gales, with dark, cloudy weather and continual rain, prevented our seeing more than three or four leagues in any direction; and the wind kept increasing to a strong gale. At 15 h. we sured the topsails, and brought to the wind under a foresail and mizen-staysail till daylight.

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Bore away, and fet the topfails; very fqually weather, with showers of rain, which at times entirely obscured the horizon. At 21 h. 30' through the haze, we saw the land of Formosa two or three leagues, rising abruptly from the sea to a prodigious height. An uncommon sall of water descending

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pointed out our vicinity to the land before we faw it.

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As we steered in the direction of the coast, the high land of Formofa appeared at intervals, when the fqualls cleared away; and at 40h. 30m. the fouthern part bore S. 65° W., four or fix leagues: to the North it continued entirely obscured. The gale still continued with little variation, when being by estimation, at 8 h. 30 m., in the latitude of 22° 45′ N., we brought to the wind under low fail for the night. At 12 h. wore ship; and at 18h. 30m. the extremes of Formosa extended from N. N. W. to West; an island of moderate elevation S. 80° W., four leagues; and the island of Botol Tobago Zima S. 6° W., ten or twelve leagues. The gale had confiderably abated; and we made fail to pass between Botol Tobago and the land of Formosa, which we could scarcely discern for the thick haze over the high land. At 21 h. the Low Island bore N. 50° W., four leagues; extremes of Botol Tobago S. 23° W. to S. 27° W. These islands bore nearly N. by E. and S. by E. of each other. At noon the extremes of Botol Tobago South to S. 23° E., eight or ten miles; Low Island North, on with Formosa; extreme point of Formosa land, making low, S. 70° W.

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Soon after we observed the island of Little Tobago bearing from the east point of the great island S. 26° E., which is nearly the direction of the north side.

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At 1 h. 15' Little Tobago open with fouth extreme S. 41° E. At 3 h. 15' the north extreme of Great Botol Tobago bore East to the other extreme S. 80° E.; Formofa from North to S. 60° W. At 5 h. 30' the centre of Botol Tobago Zima N. 75° E.; and the fouth extreme of Formofa S. 78° W., two or three miles: and at 5 h. 45' it bore N. 80° W., on with a distant point. At 6 h. it bore W. N. W. 1 West, two or three miles. It was fine moon-light; and as we had not feen the Vele Rete Rocks before dark, we fhaped our courses (as per log) to pass between them and Formofa, founding, as per column, under our double-reefed topfails. At 7 h. 30' we had 35 fathoms, gravelly bottom: the extremes of Formofa E. N. E. to N. by W., three or four miles off fhore. At 8 h. the land from N. ½ E. to E. by N.; and we hauled up to the N. W., plying under fail till day-light, when the extremes of Formofa extended from N. 10° E. to N. 60° E.; a very high round mountain N. 10° E., off thore three or four leagues. The wind increased with heavy fqualls, and we food to the S. E., expecting to fee the Vele Rete Rocks; but at 20 h. the gale had reduced

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reduced us to courfes and main-topfail, and feeing nothing of them, we flood to the N. W. with a strong gale. At noon the extremes bore from N. 20° E. to N. 70° E., about fix or eight leagues.

9th. Strong breezes and cloudy weather, with showers of rain.

3 h. More moderate. Set the topfails.

At 4 h. 30' the extremes of Formofa bore from N. 50° E. to N. 75° E.; and we faw no more of it, owing to the gloomy weather.

12 h. Fresh breezes and cloudy. No bottom with 100 fathoms. Strong breeze and dark cloudy weather. Swell from the northward.

10th. Strong breezes and cloudy weather.

16 h. We passed several Chinese sishing-boats; and for fear of running over them we carried easy sail till day-light, and a light at the bowsprit. At 18 h. strong breezes and hazy: made sail. At 22 h. 30' we saw Pedro Blanco bearing N. 63° W.

24 h. Fresh breezes and very hazy. Pedro Blanco N. 23° E., three or four miles.

4 h. Saw the Lima islands to the westward.

5 h. Dark hazy weather. Double-reefed the top-1. fails,

fails, and prepared for anchoring. At 7 h. we came to in 20 fathoms, clayey bottom, between the ifland of Poo Tory and the Grand Lima, bearing from N. E. December. to S. E.; the passage to the sea being open in that angle from Poo Tory 11 miles.

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19 h. The wind gradually increased to a strong gale, but we rode very eafy with a whole cable out. In the forenoon it was more moderate, with cool and pleafant weather.

After mustering the ship's company, the officers and feamen were informed that it was necessary they should deliver up to me their journals, remarks, or whatever drawings, &c. that related to our proceedings fince the first of September ult., and enjoining them also to fecrecy fince that period.

Several China boats were failing among the iflands, notwithftanding the gale, which induced us to make the fignal for a pilot.

Soon after noon a Chinese boat came on board, and agreed to pilot the fhip to Macao for 40 dollars. At 1 h. we got under way, and made fail to the westward. At 6 h. we were well up with the passage between the island of Lantoe and Laf-fammu: and we came to an

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anchor in 13 fathoms, muddy bottom. The night was moderate, and in the morning at day-light we had firong breezes from the North. We worked through the passage with some difficulty, having got under way at day-light for that purpose; but the violence of the fqualls occasioned the ship to refuse flays twice, and we were obliged to wear. Our pilot in these cases was of little use, for he did not seem any way acquainted with our movements, only requefting to anchor immediately. This channel from the Lima iflands is clear of all danger; and, if neceffary, you can always bring up in lefs than 20 fathoms. It is univerfally frequented in the N.E. monfoon.

After weathering Laf-sammu, which bears nearly West of Macao, we made a strait course; and at 22 h. we came to in the roads in 4 sathoms, soft muddy bottom: the fort bearing N. 65° W., and Cabrita point S. 20° W., off thore two or three miles. We found the Crescent, Company's packet, riding here, having arrived very lately from England with dispatches. By her we had the satisfaction of being informed of the principal events which had occurred since our leaving Europe. Having been absent from thence twenty-two months, our curiosity was highly gratified.

gratified by the communication. Our people were in perfect health; and we had only to lament the lofs of one man by fickness since we failed from Plymouth December. Sound.

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On our arrival I fent an officer to wait upon the Governor. In the afternoon the officer returned from the Governor, who politely offered us every civility in his power; and the following day he fent off the mafter of the port to carry the ship into the harbour of the Typa. On getting under way we faluted the fort with eleven guns, and they returned an equal number. At funfet we came to in the harbour; and the next morning moored the ship, with her stream anchor to the westward, in 43 fathoms. The town of Macao just open to us; 'and the harbour N. 25° W., two or three miles.

It was the end of the month before I had fufficiently recovered the use of my arm to leave the ship, when hearing there was a fmall veffel in Lark's bay for fale, I thought it would be highly advantageous to the voyage to purchase her; and on an examination, finding fhe was very well calculated for the purpose, I made the agreement on the spot, and gave the mafter L.1500 fterling for her. She was schooner-

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rigged, and registered at 87 tons. On the 30th joined us in the Typa; on which day arrived Rear-Admiral Rainer, in his Majesty's ship Sussolk, with the Swift sloop of war from Amboyna, having come from thence through Gilolo passage, and bound to Madrass on the coast of Coromandel. Four homeward-bound Indiamen joined them in Macao roads from Canton, and sailed under their convoy on the 7th of January 1797.

1**7**97• Januar 5 The weather throughout the last month was cold and pleasant, varying in the night, the wind from North to N. E. in the day, with fine weather, but very hazy, and generally blowing strong from surrise till surfet, when it usually moderated. The carpenters were busily employed caulking the ship, and repairing our other desects where most necessary.

Throughout this month we were employed repairing our rigging, and in other respects resitting the ship, and repairing the desects of the schooner, altering the step of her main-mast, and making new sails both for her and the ship.

On the 18th fired 21 guns in compliment to her Majesty's birth day. The 20th and 21st were very squally,

fqually, with rain; and at times foggy weather. An English brig, called the Experiment, was nearly lost in the late blowing weather, and only faved by the affiftance of our boats. The winds were very regular from the N. E. quarter, and we had, with very little variation, constant dry and cool weather.

CHAP. 1797. January.

Having completed the caulking of the flip, the February. carpenters were employed in repairing the copper under water, and other necessary avocations. Chinese painters were engaged painting the fhip and boats; and the ship's company completing the rigging, and receiving fome provisions from Macao, viz. bifcuit, callivances, rice, and arrack; failmakers at work on fliore, opposite the ship, where we pitched some tents for their conveniency, and others for the astronomer to regulate the going of a time-piece we had upon a trial. Winds and weather continued much the fame; and at intervals when the wind was variable, we had fome flowers of rain.

The Governor of Macao, with feveral gentlemen, dined on board. His Excellency was faluted with. eleven guns.

The month fet in with variable and squally weather, attended with frequent rain. The schooner, on the 8th,

March.

BOOK I. 1797. March. 8th, went up to the Boca Tigris, to bring us down fome flores and falt provisions, which she was to receive there by a chop boat from the East India ships lying in Canton river, with orders by no means to enter the Bogue, for fear of giving offence to the Chinese government. Several officers took this opportunity of visiting Canton for a few days.

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A Spanish brig arrived from Manilla, and went into Macao harbour. As the weather permitted, we completed the watering; and in other respects prepared for sea. In the morning of the 18th the schooner returned from Bocca Tigris; and we received by her cordage, canvas, pitch, tar, &c. with falt provisions, and 20 chests of tea. The middle and latter parts of the month the wind was chiefly from the S. E. quarter, with rain. On the 26th sailed a small cutter, called the Dragon, for the N. W. coast of America. The following days we had a great deal of bad weather, with thunder and lightning; and we parted our stream cable. Wind at South and S. S. W.

April.

The ship and schooner being persectly ready for sea, we only waited savourable winds to proceed out of the Typa, and to receive some more naval stores from the Last Indiamen lately arrived, for which I

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was again obliged to fend the fehooner up to Anfon's bay.

CHAP. VII. 1797. April.

The weather continued moderate and pleafant from the N. E. quarter; and on the 10th we warped out of the Typa, and came to in the entrance, in 5 fathoms; Macao fort upon the hill bearing N. 45° W., and Cabarita point S. 10° W. two miles: the bar fort being just shut in with the point which forms the starboard entrance into the Typa. This anchorage appeared to me most eligible for the conveniency of communicating with the town, and for running into the harbour when necessary; and if you lay two miles more to the eastward, you have no more water. In this situation you may water your ship with great ease on either of the islands going in, attending to the tides.

We had on board fifteen months' provisions between the vessels, and considered ourselves perfectly well equipped for the prosecution of the voyage: our crew being in perfect health, as when we arrived. During our long residence we had been constantly supplied with fresh beef or pork, and plenty of vegetables. The people had also bread baked for them every day. Having brought out a copper oven with us for that purpose,

BOOK I. 1797. April. purpose, it was now made use of, being set up on shore, where the tents were pitched. The Chinese who resided on the island gave us no molestation: on the contrary, they were of great service to us, by lending us the use of their rope walks, and affisting us to make cordage at a reasonable consideration.

The last three months I resided chiefly on shore, completing a general survey of the Kerule islands, and transmitting a copy of them, with my proceedings and suture intentions, for the information of their Lordships.

I should be extremely remis were I to neglect expressing the particular politeness and marked attention I received from Mr. Drummond and Mr. Arthur, two gentlemen of the English factory; and to acknowledge, in the highest terms, the respectful good conduct of the Governor, Seignor Don de Ponto.

The following nautical observations were made hereby Mr. Crosley, the astronomer, who had a tent pitched in a small bay, at the back of the village near Rocky. Head in the Typa.

Latitude by meridian observations, 22° 9' 40" N. Longitude mean of observed distances, 113° 32' 8" E.

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By fingle altitudes of the fun, taken by Mr. Crofley, N° 45, box time-piece (made by Mr. Arnold), was flow for mean time 7 h. 32' 42".11, on the 8th of April at noon, and gaining on mean time 0".419 per day.

CHAP. VII. 1797. April.

The tides were fo variable between 9 h. and 11 h., full and change, there was no absolutely fixing the time of high water.

Pleafant breezes, and fair weather from the northward. In the morning we got under way, and faluted the fort with 11 guns; they returned an equal number. We made fail to the eastward, towards the Lantoe passage; but the ebb tide having made strong, we could not weather the small island of Chang-cheou. and were obliged to bring up close to it in 41 fathoms within half a mile of its northern point; Macao bearing West, and Linting Island N. 15° E. In the evening, with a light air from the fouthward, we weighed, and foon after came to in five fathoms. At day-light Ling-ting bore N. 27° E., and the fouth point of Lantoe S. 60° E. In this fituation we waited the return of the schooner, with the wind south-easterly. Variable weather, with heavy rains from the South, and light winds.

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BOOK I. 1797. April 14th.

Same weather. In the night the schooner arrived, and in the forenoon we got under way in company with her; having light airs, but trifling, which obliged us to anchor.

Light breezes, and fair wind at S. E. With the ebb tide in the afternoon we got under way, and worked through the paffage of Lantoe. In the night we came to, and heaving up the next morning, we broke the iron stock of the anchor. At 8 A. M. we came to in ten fathoms; Lantoe Point N. 46° W. three or four leagues.

With the tide in the afternoon we got under way, and turned to windward. At dark we came to. A large swell came in from the eastward; and in the morning the schooner having parted her cable, we remained at anchor till they recovered theirs.

## VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY

TO THE

## NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN.

## BOOK II.

Transactions during our Second Expedition to the North through the Straits of Sangaar, and on our Return home by the Coast of Corea and the Yellow Sea to Madras.

## CHAP. I.

Delay of the Voyage arifing from the Prevalence of Easterly Winds.—
Island of Lamay.—Off Formosa.—Land at the Island of Pa-chusan.—Observations on it.—The Ship unfortunately wrecked on a:
Coral Reef near the Island of Typinsan.

A LIGHT air from the West on the 19th. carried us in fight of Poo-tory. At dark it failed us, and we anchored in 14 fathoms.

BOOK II. CHAP. I. 1797. April 19th.

Moderate

BOOK II. 1797. April 20th.

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Moderate breezes and hazy weather, which foon increased to a thick fog; and we had the wind casterly. Having weighed soon after noon, we stood over the Lima Islands, and tacked close in the passage which divides the outer islands; and before dark we came to an anchor near Poo-tory in 13 fathoms. The same weather still continued from the E. N. E.,

The same weather still continued from the E. N. E., and so foggy as to prevent our seeing the points which form the passage to sea between Poo-tory and the Grand Lima. I most sincerely lamented this delay so contrary to my expectations. Nor had we the least prospect of a change of wind to permit our getting to sea, the breeze and sog still continuing as

On Sunday we got under way, the fog having dispersed; and we setched well up with the east extreme of the Great Lima, tacking close in with a small bay to the West of the point, where are several houses. As we stood for Poo-tory we had squally and thick weather from the N. E. quarter; and seeing no prospect of clearing the passage before dark, we bore up, and came to an anchor in 15 sathoms; extreme point of Poo-tory bearing N. 80° E. one mile, and the extreme of Grand Lima S. 45° E. It blew strong in the night, and we had a large swell which

which ftill continued, notwithstanding the wind moderated the following day. As the wind kept invariably fixed in the castern quarter, we employed the boats watering at the head of a small bay, within a rocky islet on the western part of Poo-tory. Many fishingboats took shelter in it for the same purpose, as they found good anchorage, and protection from the easterly winds; the soundings were regular from sive to two sathoms.

CHAP. I. 1797. April.

Fresh breezes and clear weather, with the wind at N.N. E., induced me to get under way, notwithflanding the heavy fwell against us. We plied to the eastward ineffectually all the afternoon, and finding we could not weather the Grand Lima before night, and the anchorage being ineligible for the schooner, we were once more necessitated to bear up for our. former birth, and came to in 12 fathoms; the point of Poo-tory E. S. E. three or four miles. Throughout the night we had constant lightning from the westward. The morning was calm, with pleafant weather; and foon after noon a breeze of wind fpringing up from the S. W. quarter, we immediately got under way, and made fail to the eastward, with the ebb tide in our favour. The schooner not being able to weather Poo-tory, she passed to the North of it, and

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South of Way-loang, having a clear passage, and no foundings with 13 or 14 fathoms, and before dark joined us in the offing.

. I believe it is univerfally acknowledged the change of the monfoon takes place in these seas in April, or at least the winds are variable; but in no one instance have we experienced the observation, having had a regular cafterly wind without the finallest variation, to our great mortification and disappointment: for it in the first place very much retarded our voyage to the North; and in the next by the prevalence of the easterly winds and foggy weather, which concurred materially to have affected the health of our people, who were univerfally afflicted with the dyfentery, and fome of them in a violent degree. We could only attribute it to the hazy and confined state of the atmosphere, which feldom permitted the fun to appear. Yet there were fome who suspected our complaints to proceed from the water we took on board in the Typa. Be that as it may, I never faw better water in my life, or more care taken in procuring it. In refpect to our flock, we were more at a loss to conjecture the cause of their malady, and in confequence not being able to afford them any relief; we loft the whole of our pigs, that had been our conflant flock fince leaving Otaheite, and accustomed to their diet.

C H A P. I. 1797. April 28th.

Light breezes and fair weather; flanding out to fea between Poo-tory and the Great Lema.

At 4 h. 30 m. the east point of the Great Lema bore South three or four miles, and we steered East to go South of Pedro Blanco.

12 h. Moderate weather, with lightning to the northward.

18 h. Very little wind: at 6 A.M. we faw Pedro Blanco, bearing N. 18° E. three or four miles; having run 39 miles from the time the Great Lema bore South. Dark cloudy weather, and fqually; the wind fuddenly shifted to the eastward. At 22 h. tacked, and stood to the northward.

24 h. Moderate breezes, and very hazy weather prevented our feeing Pedro.

Fresh breezes and dark cloudy weather. At 2 h. we saw Pedro Blanco N. 15° W.; and at 4 h. we passed on the east side of it, within half a mile, and we had 22 sathoms, sine grey sand. We stood in shore three leagues, but the gloomy weather prevented our seeing the land. At 6 h. we tacked, having 14 sa-

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BOOK thoms. At 7 h. the rock bore off us South, four or five miles.

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12 h. Squally and variable, with frequent rain.

20 h. Tacked and ftood to the North.

24 h. Thick weather. Pedro Blanco N. 52° W., three or four leagues.

Moderate breezes and hazy weather. At 1 h. 30 m. we faw the coast of China to the N. W.; and at 2 h. Pedro Blanco bore West, three or four leagues.

6 h. The land extended from N. 33° W. to E. N. E., four or five leagues; and we had 13 fathoms water. At 6 h. 30 m. tacked with a very light air of wind.

23 h. Fresh breezes and dark gloomy weather. At 22 h. 30 m. tacked in 36 fathoms, sandy bottom. No sum visible this morning.

May 1st. Fresh breezes and very hazy weather. Our foundings gradually decreased as we approached the land.

The coast of China bore from N. 40° E. to West, which extreme made a small island. At ½ past we tacked in 14 sathoms, four or sive leagues from the shore.

17 h. Tacked ship; and at 20 h- we saw the land indistinctly through the haze: and at noon we tacked

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in the centre of a large bay; the points forming it N. 72° E. and S. 72° W.: an entrance to a river, or opening for boats, bore N. 35° E. We had 10 fathoms, two miles off fhore. Off each extreme we observed a reef of rocks above water.

CHAP. I. 1797. May.

24 h. Very hazy weather. The furface of the fea was covered with innumerable fifthing-boats that went out of this fandy bay.

Fresh breezes and thick hazy weather, with rain.

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17 h. Strong breezes, with heavy rain. Tacked fhip, and double-reefed the topfails.

24 h. Ditto weather. Clofe-reefed the topfails.

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Fresh gales and thick hazy weather, with continual rain.

6 h. The haze cleared away for a fhort time, which gave us an indiffinct view of the land to the northward, three or four leagues. Half paft, we wore fhip and flood to the S. E.

12 h. Ditto gales, with thunder, lightning, and

12 h. Ditto gales, with thunder, lightning, and very heavy rain, and a confused head sea, obliged us to take in the fore and mizen topsails. Half past, wore ship; and the wind was moderated and variable. Set the topsails; the gale, to all appearance, having broke up.

BOOK May 4th.

Dark and threatening weather. 24 h.

Fresh breezes and dark hazy weather, with the appearance of heavy fqualls round the horizon, which produced inceffant rain and a calm for a few hours.

7 h. Light airs, with rain. Tacked ship.

9 h. Tacked flip.

16 h. The wind fuddenly increased to a strong gale from the fouthward, which reduced us to our courfes and main-topfail; the schooner being pressed with fail to keep way with us. Towards noon it gradually cleared away to the North and West, and we had more moderate weather. This agreeable change admitted our observing the latitude, for the first time fince our departure from Macao. Sounded 25 fathoms, fine fand.

The wind left us fuddenly, and we had clear pleafant weather. At 9 h. a gentle breeze from the S. W. permitted our course to the eastward; and we had 26 fathoms, fine fand and broken fhells.

Throughout the night we had a great deal of lightning, with frequent claps of thunder, and inceffant heavy rain. At day-light we made fail, having a moderate breeze, with dark and rainy weather. Our foundings

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foundings were 24 fathoms. At 22 h. we passed over strong riplings, with the appearance of shoal water; and our foundings had decreased to 15 and 10 fathoms, coarse gravel and broken shells. We hove to while the schooner went a-head of us, and afterwards sollowed her under a sail. Till noon we continued the same irregular soundings, varying every cast of the lead sive or six sathoms.

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24 h. Moderate breezes, with rain.

Variable weather, with continual hard rain. Our foundings were unequal from 18 to 17 fathoms, gravelly bottom. The schooner kept a-head of us, and in the night she carried a light.

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7 h. Light winds, with a great deal of lightning and rain. At 7 h. we steered N. E.

13 h. Variable winds, with heavy rain.

16 h. Strong breezes. Clofe-reefed the topfails.

20 h. ½ past, we had no bottom with 30 fathoms.

24 h. Black fand. The wind more moderate, but still incessant rain.

Moderate breezes and thick weather, with continual rain: 55, 59, and 55 fathoms, fine fand. Thefe foundings were regular till after 7 h., when we had

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воок 11. 60 fathoms, black fand; after which time we had no bottom with 100 fathoms.

1797. May. 7 h. Light airs and cloudy, with showers of rain during the night. At day-light we saw land extending from S. E. to N. E.

19 h. The breeze died away, and we had calm fultry weather, with intermitting showers of rain. At noon the higher parts of Formosa were obscured, but the extremes bore from S. 68° E. to N. 40° E., four or five leagues. In this situation we had 114° fathoms, gravelly bottom. Dark gloomy weather.

8th.

Calms and light airs, with gentle flowers of rain. At 5 h. we were within two leagues of the flore; and we tacked in 23 fathoms, muddy bottom. The coaft was well wooded, with fandy beaches; and we observed many habitations. After dark the weather cleared up, and we had a fine moon-light, which gave us an opportunity of observing for the latitude.

6 h. In the morning, with a light breeze we flood in fliore, and fetched nearly the fame fituation we were in last evening, when we tacked; the extremes extending from N. 30° E. to S. 45° E.

9 h. Finding the wind again fixed in the N. E. quarter, and no probability of its changing to enable

us passing through the straits of Formosa, I thought it needless to lose any more time in the attempt, and accordingly altered our course to the southward, with a pleasant breeze and fair weather, a pleasure we had long been deprived of. As we steered along shore, we perceived several people on shull floats going out a sishing. Some of them came along-side, which gave us an opportunity to remark their curious appearance. They were simply composed of bamboos lashed together, about 20 seet by 6 seet; the mast fixed in a wooden step in the centre, and they appeared to sail fast. Each float carried three men.

CHAP. I. 1797. May.

By mistake we lost taking the sun's altitude at noon; but the schooner being within hail, their latitude will be nearly ours: when the extremes of Formosa bore from N. 12° E. to S. 46° E.; high and ragged land, N. 35° E. to N. 75° E. four or five miles.

Over the beach we faw feveral junks at anchor; and the country feemed well inhabited. The island, called Lamay in the charts, S. 35° E. four or five leagues.

At 4h. 30m. the fouth point of the island of Lamay bore East. This island is of moderate elevation, and not more than five or fix miles in circumference; distant

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BOOK II. 1797. May. from Formofa three or four leagues. It was cultivated and inhabited, as we faw many houses: we also observed cattle feeding on several parts. By our run since noon, I make its latitude 22° 22′ N.; and it bears from the land set at noon, near Fort Zealand, N. 18° W. and S. 18° E.

At funfet we had no foundings; and the extremes of Formofa bore from N. 16° W. to S. 50° E.; the itland of Lamay, N. 10° W. to N. 7° E., off thore four or five leagues. This night was very light; airs and calms; and we had no bottom with 120 fathoms of line. At day-light Formofa extended from N. 20° W. to S. 70° E., five or fix leagues diftant. We steered more to the castward, for the fouth point of Formosa, without gaining any foundings; and at 21 h. 30 m. we faw the Vele Rete Rocks from the mast-head. By noon we were between them and the fouth part of Formofa, with fine clear weather, and a gentle breeze from the westward. A good observation made the latitude 21. 50' N.: the Rocks of the Vele Rete bearing S. 34° E., eight miles; fouth-east point of Formosa, N. 63° E.; fouth-west point, N. 35° W:; and we had no bottom with 75 fathoms. Thefe two points bear from each other S. 85° E. and N. 85° W. 12'. The shore between them is low, with fandy beaches: beaches; and at unequal distances are scattered some high black rocks. The land rose gradually from the sea, presenting a fertile appearance, interspersed with some rocky eminences: one of them very remarkable, in the shape of a friar's hood. Vele Rete Rocks bear N. 12° E. and S. 12° W. from the south-east point, distant 12 miles; and from the south-west point, N. 34° W. and S. 34° E., 15 miles. We were very fortunate in having so good an opportunity for determining the situation of the above places; as they are not laid down sufficiently correct in the charts, with respect to their latitude. In the passage we experienced a strong current setting to the eastward, with strong riplings.

CHAP. I. 1797. May.

Soon after noon we faw the island of Botol Tobago Xima bearing N. 76° E., on with the fouth-east point of Formosa; and at 1 h. 30 m. the south-east point bore West, and we hauled up N. N. E. At 4 h. P. M. the wind suddenly died away, and we had light breezes from the northward. At sunset the south point of Formosa bore S. 46° W.; and Botol Tobago, S. 48° E. to S. 53° E.; Low Island, N. 35° E., off the high land of Formosa, four or sive miles, N. 62° W. It was nearly calm throughout the night, and we found the effects of a strong current setting to the North; for at

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1797. May. day-light we were well up with the low island, and we had a gentle wind from the southward. The island of Botol Tobago Xima S. 4. W. to S. 12. W. At 18 h. the north extreme of the low island bore West, four or five miles. A rock is situated North of it. This island was covered with verdure, and is of little extent. At noon it bore of us S. 21° W.; and the extreme land of Formosa, North, off the nearest shore three or four leagues; and we had no soundings. Taking a departure from Formosa south point, we are 30' North of account.

The coast from the south point continues low for eight or ten leagues; and two or three leagues North of it, you have anchorage in 20 and 15 fathoms, half a mile from the shore; and several streams of water very convenient to be got at, a-breast of you. In 22° 30° N. the high land commences, rising abruptly from the sea; and the very summits of the mountains clothed with wood. These immense mountains take the direction of the island, nearly North and South.

	Lat.	Long.
South-east point of Formosa,	21° 53′ 30″	120° 47'
Vele Rete Rocks, -		120° 44′ 12″
N. Point	, 22° 05′ 0″	121° 35′ 0″
Botol Tobago Xima, { N. Point, S. Point,	22° 0′ 0″	1210 41' 0"
Low Island or Tobago, -	22° 40′ 0″	121° 32′ 0″
Little Botol Tobago Xima,	21° 54' 0"	121° 47′ 30″

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We fet the rigging up fore and aft. At 4 h. a breeze fprung up from the N E., and we ftood in shore till past 6, when we tacked within ½ a mile, having no foundings with 100 fathoms. The extremes of Formosa, seen indistinctly through the haze, bore from N. 8° E. to S. 18° W.; a small stream of water through the vallies bore S. 18° W. Our estimated latitude was 23° 12′ N.; but the current still continuing, will make our situation more northerly.

CHAP. I. 1797. May 11th.

Count Benyousky is said to have found a harbour on this part of the coast, but we saw nothing wearing that appearance. We lay to till 10 h., when the schooner having joined us, we stood to the N. E., having the wind at N. N. W. After midnight we had a steady wind from the N. E. quarter, with dark gloomy weather, and frequent showers of rain. We had sight of the sun about noon, but could not depend upon it.

This day we had the misfortune to find the fore-mast rotten, extending through the centre of the mast, from the heel upwards above the mainstays. It was discovered after the rigging had been set up, by the mast settling and renting below the wedges, opening so much as to discover the internal part to be entirely decayed,

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BOOK II. 1797. May. decayed, leaving fix inches diameter of found wood outfide. We prepared by fishes, and wedging the mast in the upper deck, to make it do for the voyage: the carpenter 'hinking it practicable, as our fishes were the length of the mast; and for the present we carried very easy fail, and got the top-gallant mast down upon deck. At 9 h. we tacked, and throughout the night we had moderate weather. At 21 h. we saw an island to the northward; and at noon we were within three or four leagues of it, when it extended from North to N. 23° E. No observation.

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At 4 P. M. the island bore from N. 55° E. to N. 74° E., when we tacked in hopes of getting close to it before dark, in which we were disappointed; for at 7 we were at the same distance from it, when it extended from N. 18° W. to N. 20° E. Several fires were lighted upon it immediately after dark; and we had no soundings with 100 fathoms. At midnight we tacked: at 5 A. M. the island bore from N. 38° W. to N. 53° W., sive or six leagues; and we saw more islands to the eastward. The forenoon we had light airs and pleasant weather, and we stood to the North. By our observation at noon it appeared we had experienced a strong current, which had set us N. 43° E., 88 miles the first day after leaving Formosa. As the schooner,

in the morning of the 11th, had feen the above island, its quartered direction was N. E. and S. W., about five or fix miles, of moderate elevation, falling abruptly at each extreme, with a peaked hill in the centre. At noon it bore from S. 86° W. to S. 76° W., about ten miles; Hummock Island, S. 46° E.; and another more extensive, S. 65° E. to S. 85° E., near fix or seven leagues. These two we had seen last year.

CHAP. I. 1797. May.

Light airs continued till funfet; and throughout the night it was clear and fultry weather. At 6h. 10 m. the western island bore from S. 82° W. to West; Hummock Island, S. 41° E.; and the eastern island, S. 64° E. to S. 88° E. At funrife a gentle breeze permitted our steering towards the islands; and at 22 h. the Hummock Island bore of us South, eight or ten miles. It appeared broken and rocky, and of very little extent. From the main-top we could discern a fandy island, noticed last year, which now bore S. 30° E., on with the west point of the eastern island. At noon we were within three miles of this land, which was highly diversified by wood, and prefented a very- fertile prospect; but we could not reach the bottom with 100 fathoms. The entrances extended from South to N. 60° E.; Hummock Island, S. 22° W.; a finall bay, S. 45° E.: the fouth point four or five miles.

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miles. We faw fome canoes passing close in shore; and the schooner was directed to keep between us and the land.

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We steered in the direction of the island, at a league distance. At 4 h. we were a-breast of a small island off the N. E. part. It was low and flat, covered with brush-wood and coarse grass. An extensive reef, partly dry, extended from each extreme. This finall isle is very little distance from the larger one, which tended to the S. E. from its north extreme; and we fteered East for another island, which we had passed last year on its eastern side. We soon after discovered the range of low islands joining each other by coral reefs, that feemed to exclude any passage between the two large islands; and yet we had no foundings. At 7 h. the islet bore from 53° W. to 65° W., four or five miles, on with the north extreme of the fouthern large island; extreme of ditto, S. 18° E.; Peaked Island among the reefs, S. 25° E.; the other island about Village point extreme, S. 55° E., and extending to N. 74° E., five or fix leagues. At 11 h. we hauled our wind, and remained plying till daylight, when the extremes extended from N. 80° E. to S. 10° W. three or four leagues off shore; and the island we had passed in the afternoon bore from S. 30° W. to S. 60°

S. 60° W. In the forenoon we had light airs and fultry weather, which prevented our approaching the land; I therefore dispatched a boat to acquire fome knowledge of the inhabitants, whom we plainly discerned with our glasses. I was prevented last year from gaining any information respecting them by bad weather; and hitherto we could find no safe anchorage from the depth of water and corally bottom.

CHAP. I. 1797. May.

At noon we were within four miles of the shore, abreast of a bay overrun with rees; and we had 125 fat noms water, hard ground: the extremes bearing from N. 56° E. to S. 48° W. The island in this part was contracted to a narrow isthmus, and South of it was a conspicuous sugar-loaf hill.

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Towards the evening the boat returned from the shore, having been protected by the schooner during the time they had landed. With some difficulty they found a passage through the coral rees which extends along the coast nearly half a mile off: within it the boat was well sheltered; and without the rees their soundings were irregular from sifty to sive sathoms.

1797. May. They had the good fortune foon after difembarking to find a path-way, which foon led them to a finall village, confifting of about 30 houses. On entering one of them they found an elderly man, who treated them with great civility, and offered refreshments, which they partook of. The rest of the inhabitants entirely deserted their houses, but observing the peaceable behaviour of the master (Mr. Chapman), on re-embarking they joined their party at the water's side, excepting the women who were seen at some distance in the country.

These people were different in some respects in their appearance both to the Chinese and Japanese. Their hair was rolled up to the crown of the head, and sastened with two metal pins; and they were dressed in loose linen gowns and trowsers. They saluted the officers by joining their hands and lifting them to their heads in a flow manner. The houses were of one story, of a square form, and the roof meeting in a point, and thatched with coarse reeds: the inside of them were neat and clean, and covered with matts upon which they slept. The name of the island they called Patchusan, and the large one to the west of it Rocho-o-ko-ko. Their produce was the same, both islands abounding by their description in rice, millet, sweet

fweet potatoes and tarro. They have also black cattle and horses, peaches and limes; and from appearances our gentlemen were led to judge they possessed many other articles which their short stay prevented their afcertaining.

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They appeared harmless and inoffensive in their manners; nor did they snew any arms or weapons of defence.

Light airs and favourable weather. At 5 h. the boat returned, and we ftood to the north-westward with a fresh breeze. At 7 h. the extremes of Patchufan bore from East to S. 20° E., and Rocho-o-ko-ko S. 10° W. to S. 42° W.

12 h. Moderate weather; wore ship.

17 h. At daylight the north extreme of Patchusan bore S. 65° E., and at noon it bore S. 14° W. fix leagues. The Peaked Hill S. 30° W., and we saw no other land. The carpenters employed hooping the fishes on the foremast, and the seamen woolding the mast; which enabled us to carry the foresail reesed, and fore-topsail close reesed.

We steered East with the intention of examining the north side of the islands we had passed to the

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1797 May. South laft year; and the schooner's figual was made to ficer E. by S. At two P. M. we just discovered a finall fandy island from the deck, bearing S. 15° E. five leagues. At 3 h. we faw another island bearing East, and we hauled E. N. E.; and at 4 h. the fchooner's figual was made to haul her wind upon the larboard tack. At 1 past 5 we bauled our wind, and fhortened fail for the schooner to come up with us. At 7-P. M. an hummock making like an ifland, beyond the extreme of the other ifland, bore S. 60° E.; and the extreme point of land feen bearing East, now bore S. 10° W. about five leagues. this time the mate of the watch from the mafthead reported there was no land to be feen to the East or . North of the Hummock Island, nor in any other direction; neither was there the finallest danger in view from the appearance of the coast to the S. E. on our lee-beam. I therefore flood on, meaning to tack at 8 hours, and ply to the windward till daylight. The moon we expected to rife at midnight, and the schooner was not yet up in her station. The ship lay N. E. I N. going 41 knots with her main tack on board. Immediately after taking the bearings, I left the deck to protract our fituation; which I found to be on the north fide of the island we had passed on the 3d of December last year (called by the

the natives Typinfan), and which blowing weather prevented our having any communication with.

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About half after feven white water was feen a-head and upon each bow, and reported to the officer of the watch (Lieut. Vafhon); and almost directly after, the ship struck upon a reef of coral rocks. Having selt the shock, which was not violent, I instantly went upon deck, and by the way met Mr. Vashon coming to acquaint me with the disaster. The officers and men were upon deck in a moment, and the sails directly braced aback. It appeared to me the helm was a-weather, and the ship's head about E. N. E., sails all full. Had the helm been put a-lee on seeing the danger, I think we should have escaped it.

The proper fignals were made to the schooner, and the master sent to anchor her as near as possible, to heave by her. The ship soon after paid off, with her head to the eastward; and we hauled up the mainfail, shivering the other sails, to let her go round without acquiring head way: before she paid off to the southward, she again struck fore and aft, and remained sixed at last with her head due South. Breakers were then upon each bow, and we had from

BOOK II. 1797-May. five to fifteen fathoms in the flarboard chains, and only 21 fathoms at times both a-head and a-stern. Having choked the rudder, the topmatis were ftruck; and we began hoifting the boats out, the lower yards having been kept up for that purpofe. At this time the ship did not strike violently, and had only made 19 inches water. Unfortunately the wind freshened from the N. N. W., and the fea began to break with great force, which foon knocked the rudder off: we fecured it with hawfers. It was now 9 o'clock, and we only waited the schooner's anchoring, to attempt heaving off; and in the mean time began hoisting out the long-boat: during which period the ship made water very fast; and the violent shocks she received, rendered it doubtful whether the masts would fland. The water increased so much upon the pumps, that before the long-boat was out we had feven feet water in the hold. At this time the fchooner had anchored near us in 25 fathoms, and the mafter returned on board, when the ship suddenly changed her position, swinging round from South to North by the East, and striking more violently than ever. Before we could carry our hawfers to the schooner, the carpenter reported the water up to the orlop-deck, and the ship having bilged forward; we therefore gave up the idea of attempting to heave

off, for had we succeeded, the ship must inevitably have foundered. The spare pumps were down the fore hatchway, but the water still increasing upon the gun-deek, rendered all our exertions ufelefs. officers were unanimous with me in opinion, that nothing could be done to fave the fhip; and to cut away the mafts would have no effect upon her, as flie was fettling fast forward from her being bilged, as we imagined, in her larboard bow. It now became highly necessary to preferve the people, and the boats were ordered ready for their reception; while they were employed trying to collect arms and ammunition, with armourers' and carpenters' tools. But the ship laying nearly on her beam ends, and the gundeck being full of water with the washing of the bulk-heads to and fro, chefts, &c. prevented their faving many. On one fide of the ship we had only 6 feet water, and on the other 31 fathoms. The fore part of her was immerfed in the fea, and the furf breaking over the upper deck. As nothing more could be procured for the prefent, the fhip's crew were fent into the boats, which was happily effected without any accident; and foon after 11 o'clock they reached the schooner in safety, and with the loss, both officers and men, of every thing belonging to them. The pinnace returned for myfelf and the remaining officers; and

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and at half an hour after midnight we quitted the Providence, leaving her a perfect wreck to the mercy of the fea.

The moon rose at about 12 h., and the wind increased; but having both anchors down in soul ground, we thought it prudent to take one of them up. At 4 A. M. we parted the other cable; and fortunately casting the right way we made sail, and most happely escaped another shipwreck, which must have proved satal to many of us. We were now doubly thankful in our present situation, miserable as our prospects were: but by comparison of what our sate had nearly been, we had every reason to be contented with our lot, and to rejoice in our preservation.

## CHAP. II.

Singular Humanity of the Natives of Typinsan to us, in our distressed Situation.—Description of their Country, Manners, and Habitations.—Groupe of the Madjicosimal Islands tributary to those of Licuquieux.—Arrival in the Typa.—Disposal of Part of the Crew on board his Majesty's Ship Swift.—Departure from China to survey the Coasts of Tartary and Corea.

Ar day-light we had fresh breezes and hazy weather; wind from the N. N. W., and the master was dispatched to the wreck of the ship, to see if any thing could be preserved for our future subsistence, and for the better equipment of the schooner. In the mean time we plied off the reef, and at noon observed in the latitude of 25° 2′ N.; the Island Hummock, S. 35° E. sour leagues; extreme land, S. 10° W.; shipwreck, two cables; outer part of the reef, N. 40° E.; and we had 56 fathoms, rocky bottom.

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In the afternoon the master returned from the wreck, with the long boat full of unwove cordage, fails. &c. which they had unbent, and the kedge anchor,

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BOOK II. 1797. May. anchor, with a 7 inch hawfer. All these articles were of great use to us, particularly the anchor.

They found the larboard fide of the fhip entirely immerfed in the fea, up to the hatchways, and the fea making a fair break over her. The decks were partly blown up, and the bulk-heads fore and aft entirely washed away. Every moveable article was gone; nor was there any figns of books, nautical or mathematical inftruments of any kind remaining, to my great mortification and disappointment.

The officers and people were equally unfortunate: finding their property either deftroyed, or below the decks where they could not get at it. In the cabin they found feveral fiand of arms, cutlafles, &c. which, in our prefent flate, were to us of effential confequence.

As the Master found it impossible to procure any thing more from the wreck that could be of real use, and our quantity of water being very scanty for our numbers, it became a principal consideration to procure some from the islands; as also, in the event of not getting any provisions from the ship, our existence depended upon adding to our stock in the same man-

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ner: and we knew Typinsan to be inhabited, and most probably equally productive with the other islands.

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After clearing the boats we therefore made fail to the fouth-westward, with them in company; and at 6 P. M. we bore up to the fouthward, ranging a small island, which bears E. N. E. from Hummock Island, about 12 miles the western point of it. There is a passage between it and Typinsan, but it did not appear very clear of dangers. At dark we brought to for the night, having 50 fathoms within one mile of the shore. This island was of moderate elevation, and very little extent.

At day-light we were distant three or four leagues from Typinsan; and we steered N. E. to pass between it and the other island, in hopes of sinding anchorage. As we approached the shore we had great overfalls, varying from 15 to 2 sathoms; and in many parts the shoals were nearly dry. By frequent tacking and wearing we at last cleared them, and came to an anchor in 13 sathoms, close in with the S. E part of the small island, where there appeared some prospect of procuring wood, water, &c. A canoe immediately cause off to us, and to them we expressed our wants,

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which they feemed to comprehend, as they left us directly, and foon after returned with water. From the veffel, we could fee two large villages; and a boat, with an officer, went to each of them. They were received in the most friendly manner, and the boats returned full of water. In the afternoon they fent in canoes a much larger quantity, with fome wood and large packages of canary feed, also some poultry and pigs, without asking for any thing in return, or feeming to expect it. They ftrongly expressed a desire for us to proceed to the eastern village, where they could more conveniently fupply our wants. As the weather continued favourable, early the next morning the long-boat and cutter came, fent to the wreck of the ship in fearch of provisions; and at 21 h. we got under way, and turned to windward, with an easterly wind, towards the village fituated in that direction at two or three leagues distant.

In our traverses we met with a succession of reess, having deep water between them; and at last with great difficulty, and once touching upon a coral rock, we came to an anchor in 3½ fathoms, opposite the village, and near several small junks. Our friends made us welcome with a boat-load of wood, and three large hogs. The afternoon was rainy unpleasant weather,

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with a firong foutherly wind; and we had no communication with the thore. After breakfast, on the following day, we paid a visit on shore to our humane friends, who received us with the greatest civility, in a large and convenient house well adapted to the country: the floors were well matted, and every thing relating to the furniture extremely neat. On these mats we fat in the Oriental custom, and partook of the refreshments they offered, such as, tea, pipes and tobacco. Several venerable old men encircled our party, drefled in large loofe gowns of fine manufacture, fimilar to tiffany, of various colours and different These flowing garments were tied round the middle with a fash; and they also wore trowsers and fandals. The crown of their heads were fliaved, and the hair from behind brought up to a knot on the top, and fecurely fastened by metal pins, in the Malay fiyle. They made use of fans univerfally; and some wore neat firaw hats tied under the chin. The aged men had most respectable beards.

The house appeared to belong to the principal people, and was situated in an elevated situation, at some little distance from the sea, environed by a square wall of stones 12 feet high, leaving a gateway to enter by, over which was a guard-house. The rooms were

BOOK II. 1797. May. fpacious, opening on the fides, with projecting balconies. We found no difficulty in making them comprehend our wants; but extreme fatisfaction in finding they had not only the inclination but the power of supplying them.

After taking leave we were defirous of walking about the town, which they firongly objected to; nor could all our perfuations induce them. Not withing in our prefent circumftances to give any offence, we gave up the point, and proceeded in the boat fome diftance to the watering place, where we found the inhabitants most cheerfully assisting cur people in drawing water from a stone well, that had been made for watering the adjacent plantations. They assured us, it would also answer for washing; and for drinking they would fend us some better.

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The afternoon was fine, and our friends fent off rice, wood, and water. The night was rainy, with unfettled weather; and in the morning we had the wind at S. W., with the prospect of fair weather, which induced me to send another boat, with a party of marines, to trace the beach opposite to the wreck, in case of any provisions coming on shore, or to assist the other boats if necessary. Strong squalls of wind soon

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put a ftop to their expedition; and we were obliged to let go another anchor, to prevent driving on flore. This boilterous weather continued fo as to alarm us for the fafety of the other boats; but in the evening, to our great joy, they returned in fafety. They had visited the wreck, but could not procure any provifions from her, or by tracing the coast, where it was naturally conjectured they would drift to. The ship remained with her flarboard fide just above the fea; and they had cut her masts away, expecting they would come on fhore. The master had visited Hummock Island, which, to their furprise, they found inhabited: it was inaccessible except in one part, but cultivated with potatoes, &c. In the building of the houses they observed several pieces of ship timber; and in furrounding the island, they faw feveral human skulls in the caverns formed by the rocks, probably the remains of some ship more unfortunate than ourfelves.

Before their arrival at the island, the inhabitants had brought them water and potatoes; and in many other instances, during their absence, did they receive the same kind attentions. These good people were fully acquainted with our missortune, and naturally conceived our greatest wants were the articles of life, which,

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As it plainly appeared from the mafter's reprefentation we had nothing to expect from the wreck of the ship, any unnecessary delay here became dangerous from the want of provisions, having a very insufficient quantity even at fhort allowance, confidering our passage to Canton was to be made against the S. W. monfoon; and for fo numerous a crew (viz. 112 fouls) we could only carry three weeks' water: added to which, the finallness of the vessel prevented more than one fourth of the number being below at the fame time; and we had to dread every complaint among the people, who were without clothing and deftitute of every comfort, should we have to encounter bad weather. It was my idea, had we faved a fufficient quantity of provisions from the ship, to have left feventy men on the ifland while I profecuted the voyage in the schooner, returning for them in the N. E. monfoon, after concluding the furvey to the North: but I much fear, from the diflike the inhabitants had to our feeing the country, they would have prevented the execution of my plan, at least with their confent; and without their approbation it would not have been advifable.

In the morning of the 23d we received from our friends the remainder of their prefents, which amounted in all to 50 bags of wheat, 20 of rice, and 3 of fweet potatoes; each bag containing 1 cwt.: also, one bullock of 3 cwt., fix large hogs, and plenty of Indeed whatever we asked for they impoultry. mediately fent us; but our finall veffel would not admit any thing more: and what was most acceptable, they gave at last all their jars full of water, containing five gallons each, at least as many as we could store upon deck.

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In the course of the day the heel of the ship's foremast went past; also a great deal of her planking. We towed the mast on shore, and took the iron hoops from it that we had so lately put on. The mast itself was perfectly rotten.

When the schooner was ready for failing, accompanied by the officers, we paid our last visit, carrying with us fome trifling prefents, the most acceptable we had. We endeavoured to make them comprehend how fensible we were of their kind attention, and I believe we fucceeded, as they accepted our gifts with great satisfaction, particularly a drawing of the ship and a telescope. After partaking of their refresh-

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1797. May. ments, these venerable old men accompanied us to the beach, where the long-boat, completely rigged, sitted with sails, &c. lay at anchor, ready for their acceptance. They received her with great joy, and directly took possession. Thus did we part most amicably with these humane civilized people, not unassected by the savours we had received from them in our distressed situation.

To the N. W. of Typinfan is a finall island called Corumah, between which and Eraboo (the island where we first anchored) is a passage to the sea; but the mafter representing it rather intricate, we preferred the old channel we had come in by, having two boats a-head to warn us of danger. With these precautions we got under way in the morning; and at noon the rocks of Eraboo fouth point bore North, two or three miles; the island of Ashumah, situated to the West of the southern part of Typinsan, S. 20° E., three or four miles; the west extreme of Eraboo, N. 70° W. An indifferent observation made our latitude 24° 42′ 30" N.: the wind from the S. E. quarter, with Our foundings varied from 3 to 12 fair weather. fathoms; and the clearness of the water pointed out the shoaliest spots. When we brought the west point of Eraboo and the island of Ashuma in one bearing,

bearing, N. W. and S. E., we had passed the shoal water. The boats were called on board, and we made sail to the N. W., ranging Eraboo at the distance of three miles.

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After rounding the west point of Eraboo, we hauled up N. N. E.; and at 4 P. M. we had sight of the wreck, and passed several planks and a cask of hops, which the boats picked up. Before the ship was seen we plainly observed the reef, the sea breaking upon it very high: yet there was no more wind, only in a different quarter, when the ship struck; and inconceivable is it may and does appear, the breakers were hardly seen before the ship was on shore. Such was our unhappy destiny, to be cast away, even when we had not or could not apprehend the least danger from appearances, or from any foresight of mine, and depending upon a good look-out to be kept after dark, agreeable to my written orders, and constant directions both day and night.

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We steered N. E. from 4 to 6 P. M., when the outer breakers, within them were rocks above water, bore S. 15° E. on with Hummock Island, two or three miles distant; and we had no foundings with 100° fathoms. In this situation we saw no land to the east-

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BOOK II. 1797. May. ward of the Hummock. Our estimated latitude was 25° 13, 30" N., and longitude 125° 12' E. The hull of the ship was just visible, and the sea made a continual breach over her.

This groupe of islands, off which the ship was lost, consists of seventeen islands. They are of different sizes, and many of them very small and uninhabited. They extend from 24° 10' North to 24° 52′ 30′ N. latitude, and from 123° 2′ East to 125° 37′ E. longitude. The inhabitants distinguished them by the name of Madjicosemah, as we understood them: they were tributary to Great Lieuchieux, or the Liquieux Islands.

Fresh breezes and cloudy weather. At 1 h., having cleared the shoals, we made fail as per log; the boats sollowing under fail. At 5 h. the wreck of the Providence bore S. 31° E. three or sour miles. At sunset shortened fail, and took the boats in tow for the night; Hummock Island, on with the outer part of the rees, S. 15° E.; and we had no soundings with 100 sathoms; the rees distant two or three miles. Our estimated latitude 25° 13½' N., and longitude 125° 12' E. Under easy sail we steered to the westward; and during the night we had thunder, lightning, and rain.

Variable

Variable weather, with rain and a confused sea.

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Fresh breezes and squally weather: excessive sultry, with constant rain. The wind at last fixed to the North, and we steered to the S.W. The rain continued throughout the evening.

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At half past 10 h. we saw land bearing from S. E. to S. W. by S.; and no foundings with 70 fathoms.

At daylight the extremes of Pachusan from East to S. S. W. six or eight leagues. At 22 h. 30 m. we saw the small island to the westward, which at noon bore N. 57° W.; and the south point of Rocho-o-ko-ko, S. 15° E. three or sour miles: the other extreme, N. 73° E.

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Soon after noon the cutter returned, having examined a finall bay that afforded anchorage on the N. W. fide of Rocho-o-ko-ko. A canoe brought them off water and potatoes. Surely these islands were acquainted with our misfortune. At 6 h. the extremes of Rocho-o-ko-ko extended from N. 65° E. to S. 85° E. sive or six leagues; Hummock Island, S. 55° E. eight or nine miles. At 11 h. wore ship.

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Light breezes, with flowers of rain. At day-light Hummock Island, S. 73° E.; Rocho-o-ko-ko, from N. 49° E. to N. 73° E; and West Island, N. 56° W.; when we tacked and made fail, the boats in company.

Light breezes and dark cloudy weather; wind increafing at noon: Hummock Itland, N. 65° E. fix or  $\mathcal{O}$  feven leagues.

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Light breezes and cloudy weather, with showers of rain and frequent thunder and lightning, which rendered our fituation truly uncomfortable from the numbers obliged to be upon deck; and below, the heat was excessive.

- 12 h. Light airs and variable, with inceffant rain.
- 24 h. Squally weather, with flowers of rain.

28th.

Heavy flowers of rain, which brought the wind round to the westward, and we steered S.S.W.

7 h. Tock the boats in tow as usual for the night. ○12 h. Fresh breezes and fine weather.

At 22 h. we faw the island of Tobago, situated near Formofa, bearing N. 75° W.; and at 23 h. 30 m. we made Botol Tobago Xima, bearing S. 34° W. 0

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noon the former extended from N. 65° W. to N. CHAP. 75° W., and the latter from S. 25° W. to S. 30° W.

10 or 12 leagues.

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At 4 m. past Botol Tobago Xima bore S. E. and the fouth point of Formosa S. W. 4 W. about 10 leagues. At 10 h. we were by estimation in the latitude of it, when we steered South, not intending to pass between Formosa and the Vele Reterocks. The night was cloudy, with rain.

13 h. At daylight we had run 25 miles, when to our great furprize, the fouth point of Formosa bore of us S. W. by W. four or five leagues; and at noon after running S. W. 21 miles, it was still three leagues in the direction of S. 40° W. Towards noon the wind moderated, and we could make no way against the northerly currents, which occasioned a consused against the wind. Botol Tobago Xima extended from N. 84° E. to S. 88° E., and the north extreme of Formosa N. 10° E. No soundings three miles off shore.

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Light airs and cloudy weather carried us infenfibly towards the land, when we experienced a countercurrent in our favour, which fet us in the direction

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BOOK II. 1797. May. of the shore to the southward. The cutter kept close in to examine the coast, which in this part is a little indented. They sound good anchorage in 15 and 20 fathoms, about half a mile, with several runs of water and many herds of cattle feeding, but no signs of habitations or any cultivation.

15 h. At funfet the extremes of Formofa from S. 25° W. to N. 5° E.; centre of Botol Tobago Xima N. 80° E. The fouth point is low, flat, and rocky off Formofa; and at 8 h. it bore West two miles: we had no foundings. At 10 h. a strong breeze came from the North, and we hauled close round Formofa, passing N. of Vele Rete rocks. After midnight the wind moderated, but remained in the N. E. quarter. At noon the high land on the S. part of Formofa N. 65° E. 10 or 12 leagues.

31st.

Moderate breezes, gradually decreasing; at 2 h. we lost fight of Formosa.

10 h. Squally weather, with rain, which continued; the weather fultry: a great deal of thunder and lightning.

20 h. Fine and pleasant weather; breeze increasing. We frequently passed over riplings, with the appearance of a strong current setting to the westward.

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Moderate winds, finooth water, and very pleafant weather.

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7 h. Calm and clear weather.

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11 h. Light breezes.

20 h. The longitude flewn by the watch till our arrival, is corrected for its error off Formofa, where it flewed the longitude too much by 1° 30′. It has never gone well fince failing. Light airs and variable weather.

Very light winds, inclining to calms. In the afternoon we tried, and found the current fet to the westward.

4 h. Saw a Chinese fishing-boat.

6 h. Sounded in 52 fathoms; fmall gravelly ftones and fand.

12 h. Calm and fine weather.

18 h. Light breezes; feveral fifthing-boats in fight.

24 h. Smooth water, and very warm weather.

Fresh breezes and very pleasant weather.

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4 h. 46 fathoms, muddy bottom.

7 h. 52 fathoms, ditto bottom.

12 h. 50 fathoms, ditto bottom. Light showers of rain.

22 h. At 11 h. A.M. we faw the Lema Islands

BOOK II. 1797. June 4th. to the W. N. W., and we altered our course. At noon the Grand Lema N. 47° W. four or five leagues.

Fresh breezes and very hazy weather. At ‡ past two the Great Lema bore West 1‡, and by its known longitude 114° 26′ E. We have been 1° 20′ West of our account since leaving Formosa. By our run from noon its latitude will be 22° 4′ N. We steered as per log till 8 hours and a half, when we hauled up between Lassammu and Lantoo Point, and came to in 12 fathoms, the point bearing S. E. four miles.

11 h. At daylight we got under way with a fine breeze, and at 20 h. we were abreaft of Lintin. A boat was dispatched from hence to Macao with an officer to acquaint the governor with my return, and to order provisions.

We steered N. by E. & E. for Lankeet Island carrying 10, 8, and 7 fathoms, till we came within sight of Sampanchow, and then only 5 fathoms. Within two or three miles of Lankeet we gave it a good birth to pass to the East of Sampanchow, and soon increased our water to 10 sathoms. At noon Sampanchow West one mile.

With a firong flood-tide we foon paffed through the Boca Tigris, and discovered 13 large ships at anchor up the river. At 5 h. we were vifited by feveral of their boats, who informed us they were homeward-bound East Indiamen. They obligingly offered us every affiftance, and we purfued our courfe up the river, having no occasion to accept their civilities at prefent. At 8 h. when above the fecond bow, keeping too near the starboard shore, we got a-ground, and remained fo till 10 h., when we hove off into the ftream, and continued at anchor till day-light; at which time we got under way, and by 8 A.M. came to at Whampoa in four fathoms. found two flips from Port Jackson, having laden with tea on the Company's account, the Alfred and Crefcent, East India ships, going down the river.

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I immediately proceeded up to Canton in the pinnace, to confult with the fupercargoes in procuring provisions, and to regulate the distribution of the feamen into the India ships. About noon I reached the English sactory, and waiting upon Mr. Hall, the chief, I soon arranged my business (the captains of the Indiamen being on the spot); and in the afternoon the schooner left Whampoa to remain at the Second Bar till I returned in the pinnace. The night was

rainy, which continued at intervals during the day.

Early in the morning of the 6th, arrived the first Lieutenant of the Swift sloop of war, with dispatches from Rear Admiral Rainier, which contained the intelligence of a Spanish war.

In the morning I had a conference with one of the principal Hong merchants, who was deputed from the city to enquire into the particulars of my arrival, with the reafons for fo doing. In the prefence of Mr. Hall I explained the cause of my coming up to Whampoa; requesting at the same time the Chinese government would supply my wants before I quitted the river. He then left us to report the same.

7th. The afternoon was cool and pleafant after the rain, but the following day we had exceflive heat. Not finding it necessary to remain any longer to expedite our receiving refreshments, which Mr. Hall was pleased to take upon himself, I took my leave of the gentlemen of the factory, to whom I am under great obligation for their kind attentions; and in four hours and a half I reached the Second Bar.

We had fresh breezes from the northward the two tollowing days, and we were employed in receiving falt

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falt provisions from the East India ships; also in distributing the officers and men who were to take their passage to England in them. In the morning we were visited by a mandarine of the first rank, who seemed very desirous to see the vessel, which being permitted, he assured us our wants should be immediately supplied, now he was convinced who and what we were; but from the report given into the city, they were in doubt, and he was obliged to come on board to satisfy himself before permission could be granted. These good intentions were of little use to us as I purposed sailing with all expedition to Macao, after receiving what we required from the East India ships.

The lieutenant of the Swift carried with him our marines, and a letter to Captain Hayward acquainting him with my intentions.

In the morning fome of the East India ships sailed down the river, and in the afternoon the schooner went down to Anson's Bay to wait the arrival of the cutter from Macao. She had been so long absent I was anxious for her safety. The next day I followed in the pinnace, and very luckily met the cutter coming to me as we passed the Boca Tigris. The officer excused himself for not returning sooner owing to the strong northerly

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1797. June. northerly winds, which I did not admit as a fufficient reason, but I had great pleasure in her safe arrival.

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At 2 P.M. we got under way, and the wind veering to the S. E. we turned down towards Macao roads. At half past 8 A. M. we came to in five fathoms; the town bearing W. 1 N., and Cabarita Point S. S. W. 1 S. Soon after, his Majesty's sloop Swift anchored near us. The forenoon was attended with heavy squalls of wind and rain.

We remained here till the 14 h., the winds constantly from the southward, which prevented the Indiamen coming down sooner. In the morning of this day the fleet got under way, and at noon the tide having done, we came to an anchor: Cabarita Point N. W. three miles. I discharged into the Swift for the disposal of Admiral Rainier 4 petty officers, 24 able and good seamen, with 15 marines, leaving 35 officers included to complete the schooner's compliment. The remaining officers and men of the crew, amounting to 30, went home in the East India ships.

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In the afternoon the Swift with 14 fail of East India men, the Crescent pacquet, and two ships from Port Jackson, got under way, intending to go the eastern passage passage for Europe. We parted company with them, and made fail for the Typa.

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I had great pleasure in acknowledging the kind attentions of many of the commanders of this fleet, who so obligingly accommodated several of the officers with passages to England, and in every other respect supplied our wants with great chearfulness, as far as their means extended.

The next morning we anchored in the Typia off the watering place, having the nine islands just open, bearing N. E. & N. Macao harbour N. by W. & W. two miles. Close in with the entrance of the harbour, was a Spanish ship bound to Manilla. Seeing the Swift coming into the Typia, fhe run for shelter under protection of the fort. We remained here to the 26th completing our provisions, wood and water; but unfortunately we could not contain more than five months: we however filled every part of the veffel, to infure keeping the fea as long as poslible in our refearches to the North of Japan. The winds were variable, with frequent rain and a great deal of thunder and lightning, with strong winds from the S. E. The winds were feldom from the westward, and this I underflood had been the case since our failing in April last.

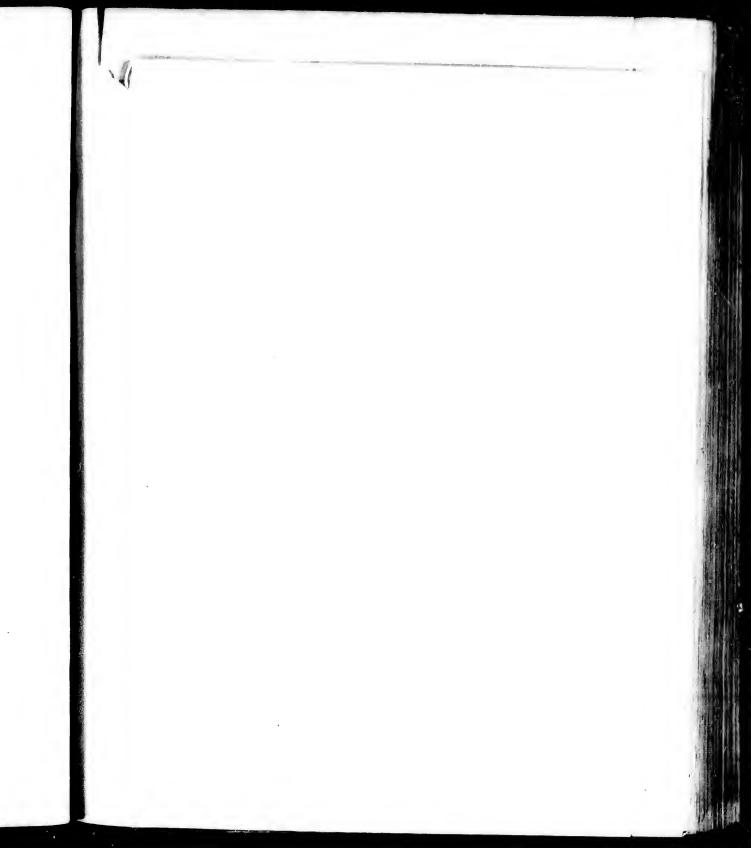
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The heat on shore was excessive, and would have been insupportable if not refreshed by the rains.

We now failed a fecond time in the profecution of our voyage, not with the most flattering hopes of succeeding, from the feason being so far advanced, and the vessel inadequate in many respects to the purpose. But still there was some prospect of acquiring geographical knowledge of the Tartarean and Corean coasts; and I was unwilling, even under the existing circumstances, not to use every endeavour to the utmost of my power, that could tend to the improvement of science by the exploration of unknown parts. The officers and men were equally disposed with myself to do their respective duties, and we departed in good health.



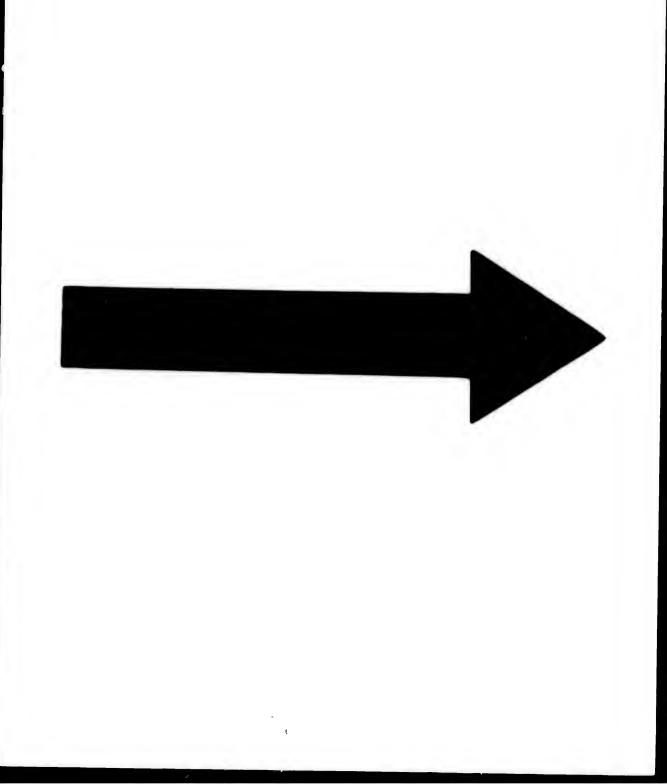


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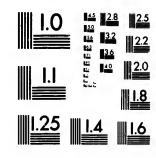
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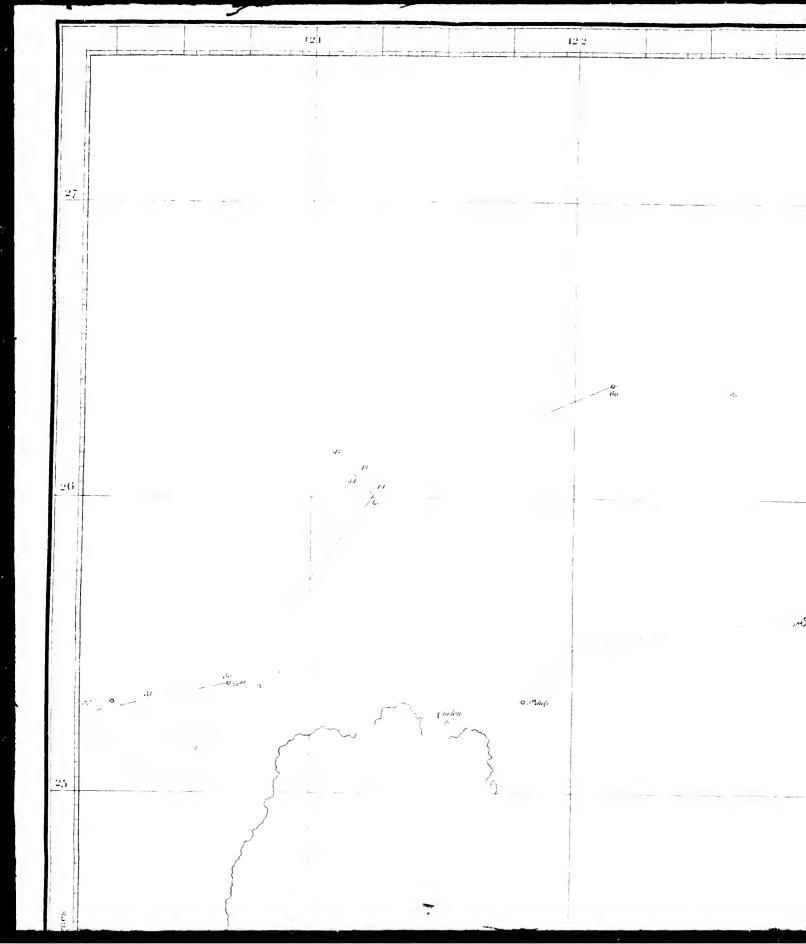
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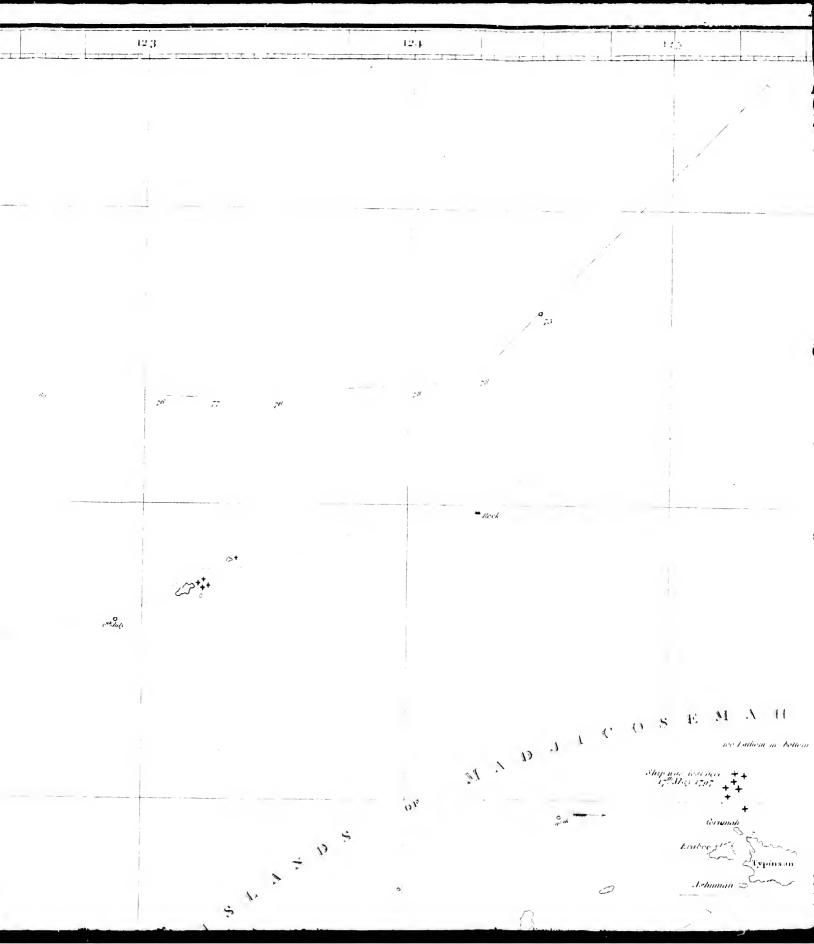


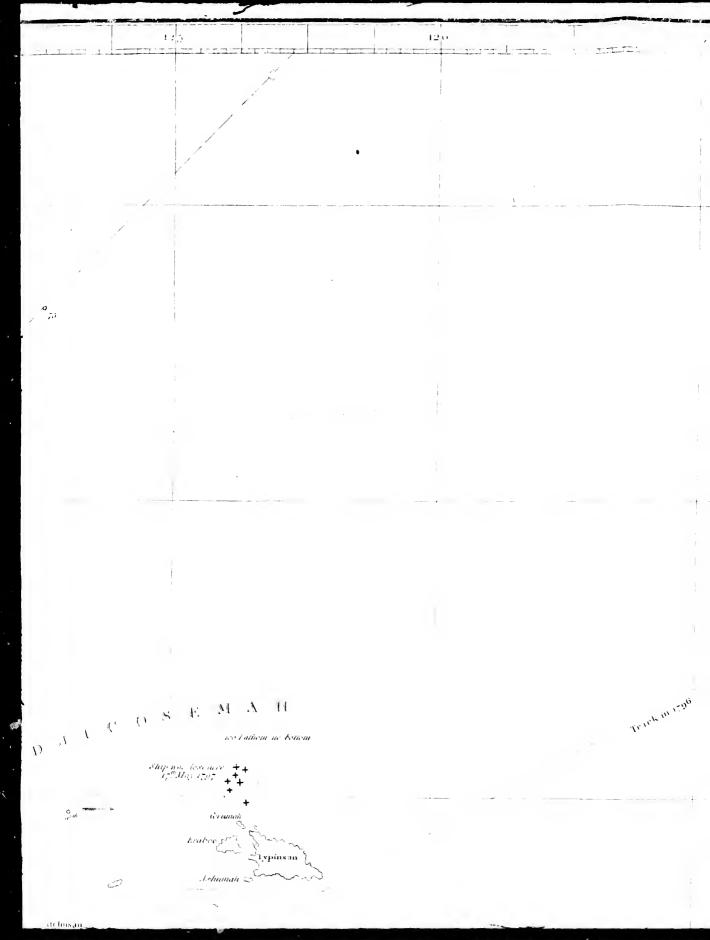
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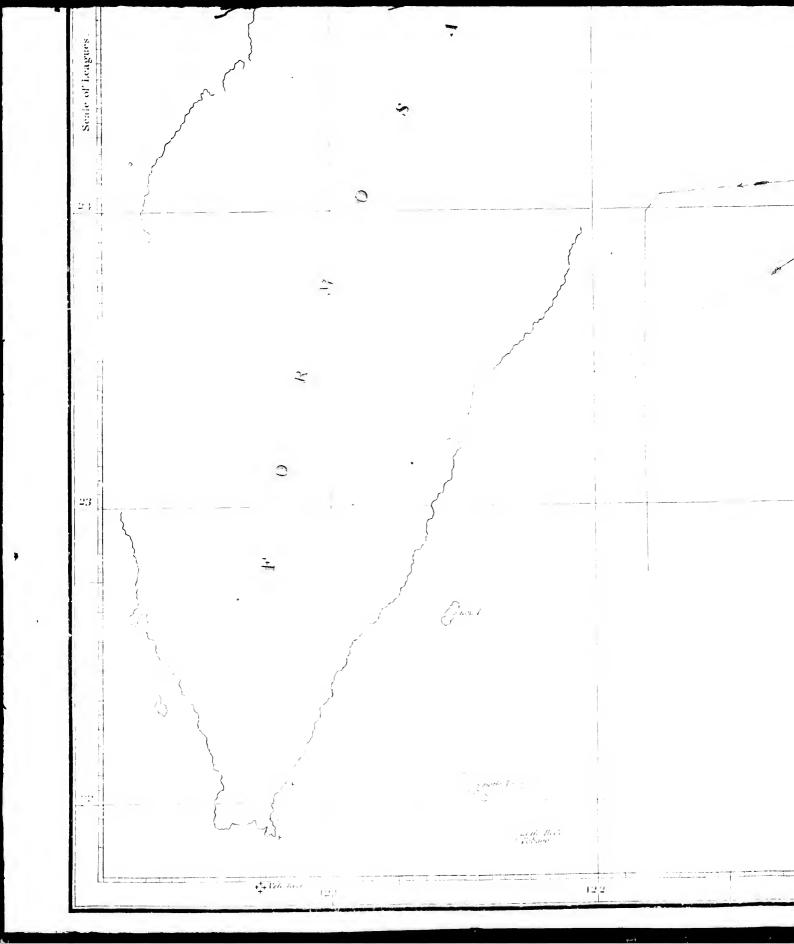


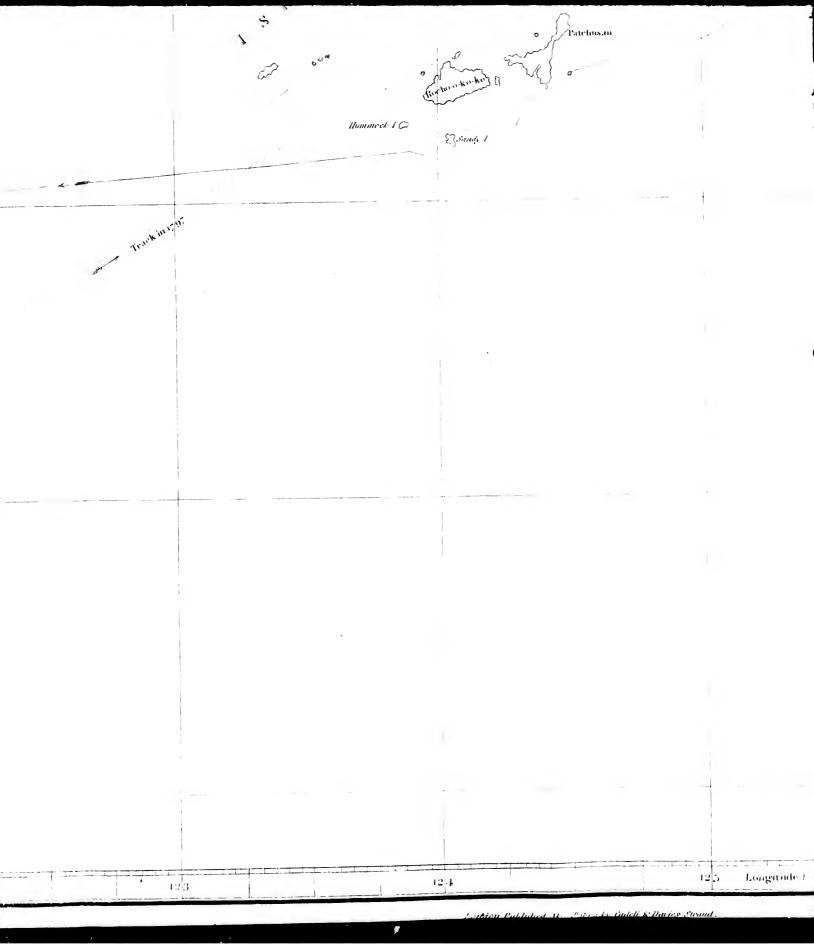






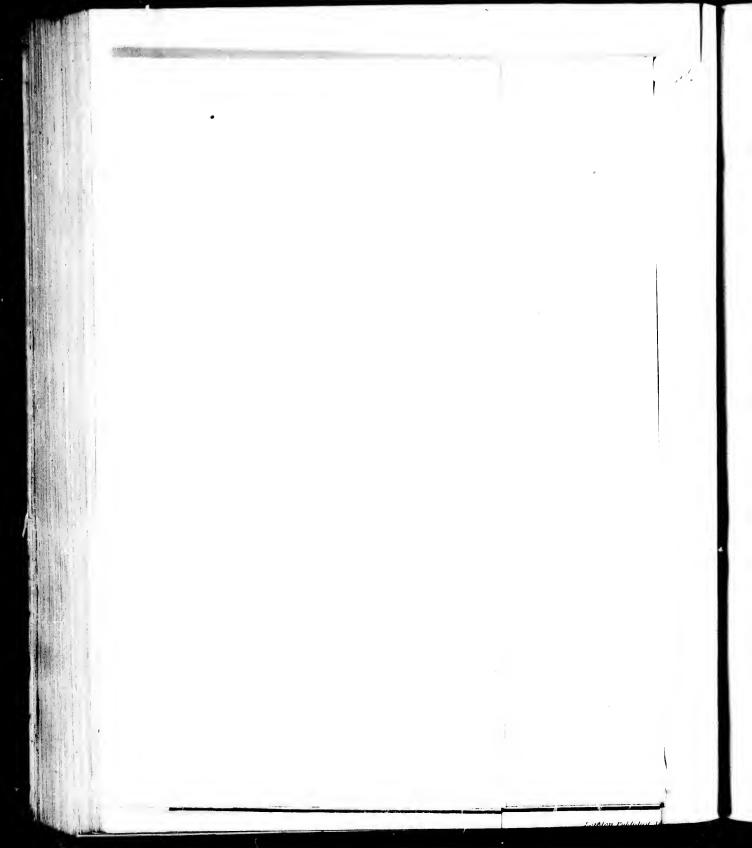
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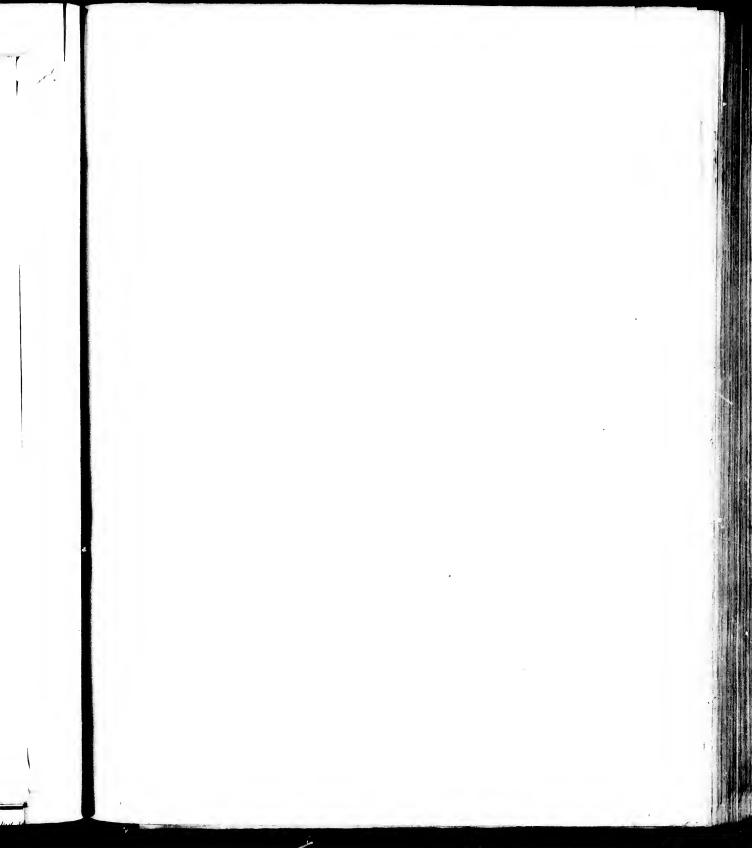


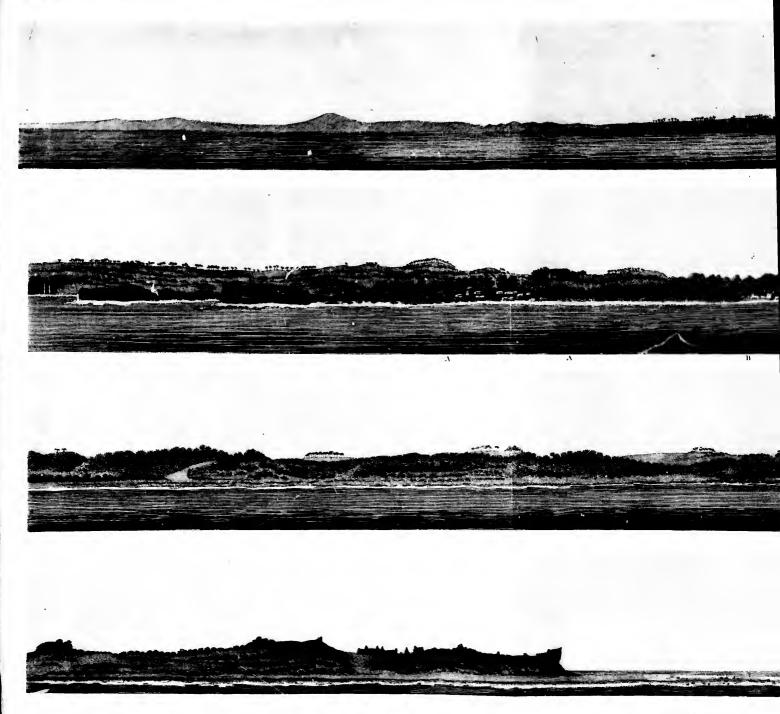


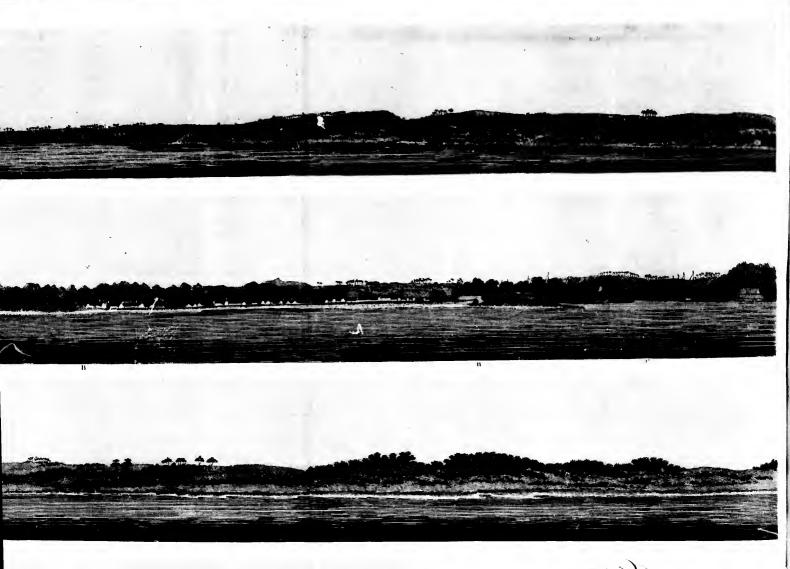
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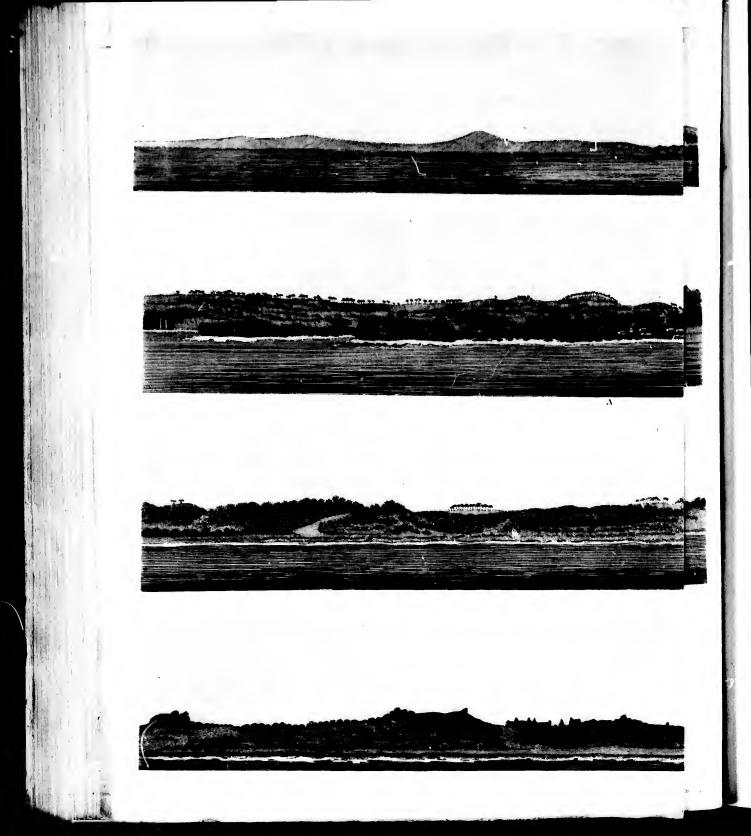
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## CHAP. III.

Pescadou Islands.—In Napachan Harbour, Great Liquieux.—Description of the Inhabitants, &c.—Departure from it towards Japan.

On the 14th of June, as N° 45 shewed the longitude of the Typa 115° 19′ E., which is too much by 1° 47′, an error acquired in 67 days. By daily observations between the 14th and 25th June her rate was pretty regular; and on the 26th at noon, 45 was flow for mean time 7 h. 40m. 36.1s., and losing on mean time 6.651s. per day. At 2 P. M. we got under way with a strong ebb tide, and at 5 P. M. we weathered Potoc within half a mile, having 6½ fathoms.

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As we passed two or three miles West of the Grand Ladrone, we gradually increased to 12 fathoms, when the south extreme of it bore S. 80° E. on with the Ass's Ears. Mr. Dalrymple makes the Rock R. bear more southerly: it is probable therefore we did not see it. At dark we boarded an East India packet called the

BOOK II. 1797. lune. the Amazon, four months and ten days from Falmouth. She had passed the straits of Sunda without seeing any cruizers.

At 8 h. the Grand Ladrone bore of us N. 55° E.; Potoe, N. 5° W.; extremes of iflands, E. § S., off the Ladrone three or four miles. We made fail, fleering as per log. At 21 h. Grand Ladrone, N. 32° W.; and the extreme iflands, N. 68° W. Grand Ladrone, 22° 02′ N. 113° 56′ E., from whence I take my departure.

28th.

Fresh breezes and sine weather. At 6 h. we saw a steet a-head, consisting of nine large ships upon a wind. Conceiving them to be a Spanish squadron from Manilla, cruizing for the East India sleet, at 7 h. we steered in for the land to avoid them; and at half past 12 h. we passed a ship upon our lee-beam that took no notice of us. At 13 h. we lost sight of her, when we steered more to the North.

At day-light we were within three or four leagues of the West of China, and abreast of Pissong, or the great bay; the extremes extending from West to N. 80° E.; and we had no fight of the fleet.

At 8 A. M. we fleered nearly in the direction of the coaft, which formed feveral bays, with fcattered iflands and rocks at unequal diffances. At noon the extremes of the coaft extended from N. 85° W. to N. 42° E., two or three leagues off thore; and we had 15 fathoms water. Fair weather but hazy.

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Fresh breezes and fair weather, with smooth water.

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6h. The extremes to the North making high bore N. 14° E. feven or eight leagues.

8 h. 20 fathoms, no bottom.

10 h. 24 ditto, fine fand. The moon having fet, we hauled our wind for the night.

14 h. 35 fathoms, fand.

16 h. Made fail. No fight of the land.

22 h. 19 fathoms, fand; and at noon 20 fathoms.

24 h. Fair weather, but no observation.

In the afternoon we croffed over feveral finall riplings; and our foundings varied from 13 to 20 fathoms, hard bottom. At 12 h. we had three fathoms of rocky bottom; and at half past, seeing the land, we stood off and on till day-light, having foundings from 22 to 26 fathoms. At 17 h. the Pescadore Islands extended from East to N. by W. distant from the castern one about four miles. This island was low

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BOOK II. and flat. With a gentle wind we passed on the west side of the islands; and at 22 h. 50 m. we were distant two miles from an high rocky island, which is connected by reess with two small isless that are surrounded by breakers: we had 25 fathoms. At noon the westernmost island of the groupe extended from N. 76° E. to N. 86° E. sour or sive miles; and we had 27 fathoms. This island is of moderate elevation, rocky and barren, of little extent, and apparently uninhabited: yet we saw several boats sishing among the reess. High Island, in one bearing with the eastern one seen at day-light, now bore S. 48° E.

July 1st. At 3 h. we were a-breast of Fisher's Island. On the S. W. extreme we remarked an obelisk of stones raised, I should imagine, as a land-mark for the advantage of the junks trading to these islands. In the course of the day there were many of them in sight, making their coasting voyages.

This island is of some extent, and inhabited: it appeared also to be well cultivated. As we passed, we observed many cattle feeding, and numbers of boats differently employed. At the N. E. extreme the land falls back; and within it, to the North, promised good shelter. A black rock extends a league from

from the entrance, and feemed connected with reefs Indeed, in this part, the rocks and North of it. fands could not be enumerated; and the paffage between them I flould suppose very intricate. large ifland, called Petroe, I had no opportunity of making any remarks upon; the weather being hazy, and our distance too great. At 5 h. 30 m. seeing breakers a-head, we altered our course; north extreme of Fisher's Island bearing S. E. by S.: we had 15 fathoms, rocky bottom, feven or eight miles from it. Bird Island, which is the northernmost of the whole groupe, at half past 6 h. bore S. 58° E.; and the Obelifk point, S. 17° W. Thefe islands, called Conghou or Petroe by the Chinefe, and Pifcardores by the English, extend from 23° 10' N. to 23° 40' N., by our estimation; the westernmost in the longitude of 119° 27' E. They are a cluster of islands and rocks above, and even with, the water. The dangers furrounding them may be avoided by attention, as they appear to fliew themselves; and you may anchor in cases of necessity. They are distant from Formosa about eight leagues; and their extent to the West nearly the fame by Van Kuelen.

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At midnight we hauled our wind till day-light; and at 17 h. 50 m. we faw Formofa; and at 22 h. 30 m. we

were within three miles of it. The extreme to the South bore S. 6° E., making a low faudy point. Over the beach were feveral junks at anchor; and we had only feven fathoms water. At noon the extremes of Formosa extended from N. 45° E. to S. 7° E. three or four miles; and we had 11 fathoms. The land near the fea presented a barren appearance of fand hills mixed with coarse grass. At the back of the beach were some scattered trees; but more inland, the hills rose to a considerable height, richly clothed with woods.

we continued our course along the coast of Formosa, with a strong current setting us to the northward.

7 h. Calm. The extremes extended from N. 45° E. to S. 14° W.: an opening bore S. 40° E. Off the entrance were feveral junks at anchor. Thirty-one fathoms.

17 h. Light breezes. The extremes of Formofa, N. 58° E. to S. 18° W., off fhore feven or eight miles. Towards the North the land gradually decreafed in height.

22 h. At noon the extreme land, we could fee, bore East, fix or feven leagues.

At 1 h. tacked and flood in for the land; and at half past, not being able to see the land, owing to the haze, we flood off shore. At half past 6 h. we could just discern it bearing S. 40° E. three or sour leagues.

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6 h. Very fqually and threatening weather obliged us to reduce our fail.

12 h. Strong gales, with a large fea.

18 h. Throughout the forenoon it blew very firong, and we fplit most of our fails. We had also heavy rain, and were obliged to pump the vessel out every hour.

24 h. Heavy gales of wind, and thick hazy weather.

Strong gales of wind, with a heavy fea running, and a great deal of rain. At half past 2 h, we saw the coast of China to the W. N. W., appearing very indistinctly through the haze. We soon after wore; and the gale blowing harder, we reesed the bowsprit, and lay to under a close-reesed mainfail. Soon after bringing to we sprung a leak in the starboard quarter, which filled the cabin with water, and kept the people continually at the pumps.

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In the night the wind gradually veered round to the westward with increased violence, which caused

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an irregular and confused sea. Our little vessel behaved very well, shipping but little water.

In the morning the wind fixed in the S. W. quarter, and the gale broke up. At 8  $\Lambda$ . M., the fea having confiderably fallen, we bore up and made fail.

24 h. Fresh breezes and cloudy weather, with a confused swell.

Fresh breezes and cloudy weather. At 2 h. we hove to, while the carpenters stepped the leak, which was found to be above water in the starboard quarter.

At 3 h. and a half we discovered the high land of Formosa bearing S. 30° E. At half past 6 h. the extremes extended from S. 28° E. to S. 23° W. five or six leagues. At 8 h. the wind moderated; and at 12 h. we saw a small island bearing S. E. by S.; and we had no soundings with 25 fathoms. We plied to the windward till day-light, when the rocky island bore S. 50° E.; the north part of Formosa extended from S. 50° W. to S. 10° E.; and two islands bearing N. 64° E. and S. 84° E. We passed between the Rocky Isle and Formosa with a gentle wind and sine weather. At noon the N. W. point of Formosa, S. 88° W.; N. E. point, S. 48° W.; extreme beyond ditto,

ditto, appearing detached, S. 22° W., four or five leagues off shore.

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Quelang Island, S. 72° W., which lays off the harbour; and the three islands to the feaward, N. 10° W., N. 13° W., and N. 55° W., four to fix leagues distant. No current fince last observations. 60 fathoms, no bottom.

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In the direction of the island of Quelang, the main land of Formosa appeared very high; and on the larboard entrance, as you sail towards the harbour, is a conspicuous hill of a conic form, from whence the low land commences extending to the southward. Some low land also projects from the N. W. part, which is in general very elevated. The latitude of the north point of the island may err a little, supposing we did not see the extent of the low land. At 6 h. it was calm, when the N. E. part of Formosa bore S. 67° W. The night was variable, with light airs, which in the forenoon increased from the southward.

At 11 h. feeing the appearance of broken water, we tacked; but having no foundings at half past, we again resumed our course.

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At 15 h. we have to for an hour. No bottom with 90 fathoms.

At 22 h. 30 m. we faw an ifland to the E. N. E., which at noon preferved the fame bearing, five or fix leagues diffant.

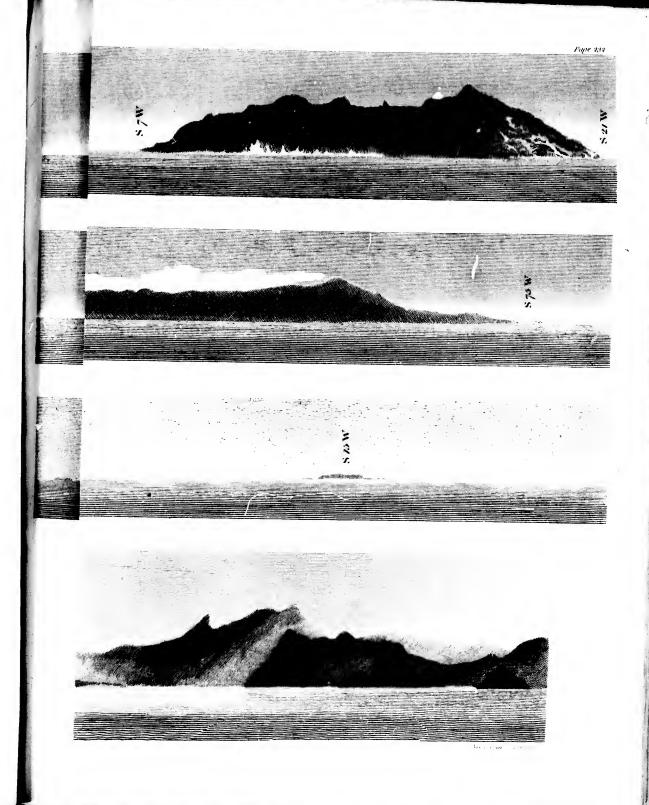
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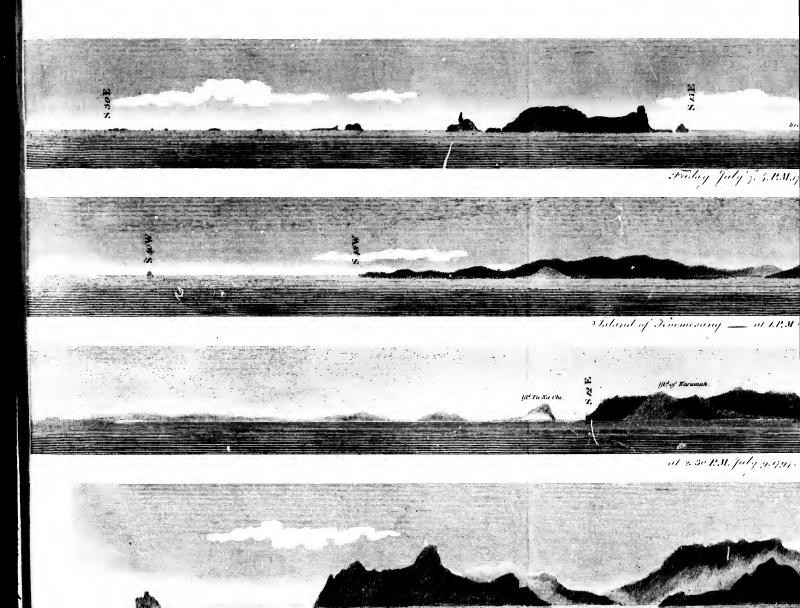
the east extreme of the island: at half past, we bore up and passed to leeward of the island, ranging it within two miles, without having any foundings with 50 fathoms. The land was high, forming two peaked hills. Its greatest direction was East and West three

hills. Its greatest direction was East and West three or four miles, entirely covered with small wood up to its summit. To the N. E. of it, three or four miles, is a continued chain of rocks above and under water, seemingly connected with the peaked rocks. They bear East one mile from the island, which is situated

in the latitude of 25° 40' N. and longitude 123° 27' E.

At 3 h. we faw another ifland bearing N. 60° E; and at 5 h. 30 m. it bore North two or three miles. It was of little extent, and of moderate elevation, and, like the other, well covered with wood, bounded by a rocky flore. We place it 25° 48′ N. and 123° 35′ E. At 7 h. the first island bore S. 69° W., and the





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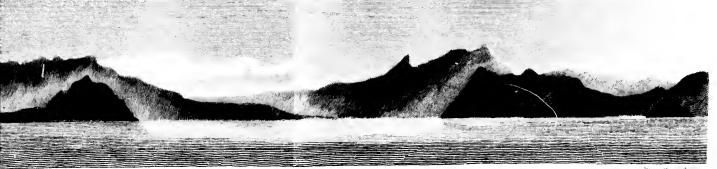
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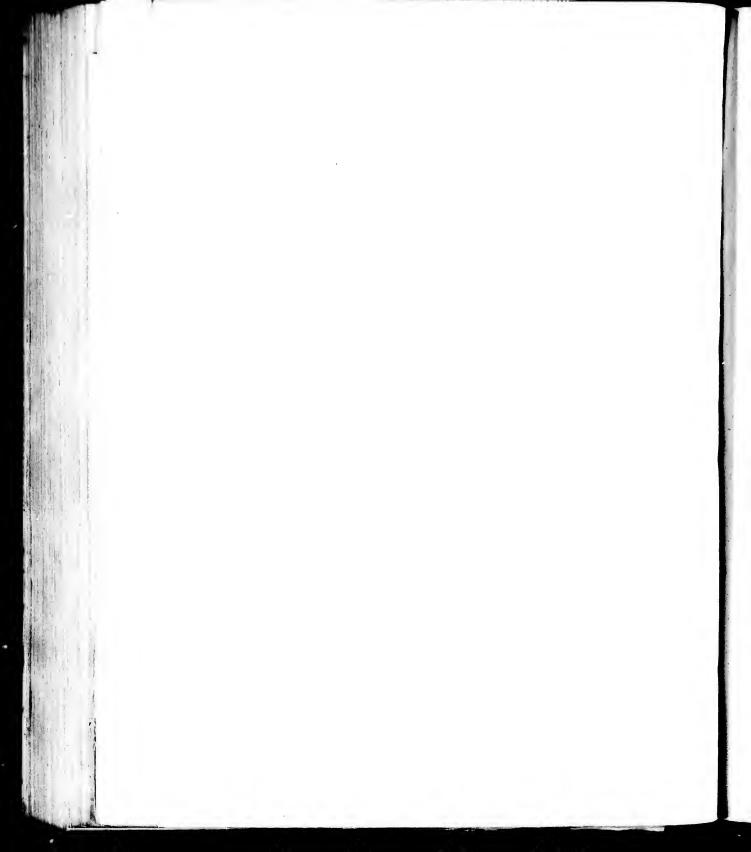
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fecond N. 80° W. Having fine moon-light we continued our course to the eastward, sounding occasionally without reaching bottom. At 12 h. 30 m. we saw an high rock bearing E. § S. At 1 h. steering E. N. E. we passed about three miles North of it, without soundings at 50 fathoms. At 2 h. it bore South; and at 18 h., S. 87° W., just in sight: it resembled the rock called Pula Sapula, in the Chinese seas. By the observation at noon we sound the current had set us to the N. E. 42 miles these 24 hours; which being allowed for, in settling the situation of the rock, its latitude will be 25° 57′ N. longitude 124° 30′ E., allowing the current to be regular to-day.

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At 11 h. we faw land bearing E: ‡ S. At 17 h. it extended from S. 49° E. to 77° E. It was low in the middle of the island, but the southern part was rather high. We sailed within three miles of the shore, having no soundings with 50 fathoms. From each extreme extended a long sandy spit, with a detached rock South of each. The land appeared well cultivated; and we could perceive several habitations. In the morning the natives came off to us: we found them the same race of people we had seen at Typinsan, equally docile and communicative. At 8 A. M. we

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1797. July, faw more iflands, of which they gave us their feveral names; and enquired of us if we did not come from Hollandia. The ifland they came from was called Koomi-fang: their cultivations up to the fides of the hills were in ridges; and above them the country was well covered with wood. At noon it bore from S.31° W. to S.64° W. four leagues; Tunatchi, S. 44° E. This ifland makes like a gunner's quoin, and as fuch it was remarked laft to the westward of the Lieuchieux, among the Matchi Islands. Karumah, S. 69° E.; Agenhu, N. 64° E.; and a fifth, which was very small, they called Tu-si-mah, three or four leagues.

We found the current ftill to fct in the fame direction, but not fo ftrong.

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The current ftill fetting us to the castward, we approached the islands very fast; and at 3 h. we kept our wind; and at 3 h. 30 m. the west point of Karumah, on with Tunatchi, S. 8° E. West of Karumah about three miles, we possed a small island. At 4 h. 30 m. Karumah and Agenhu, in one bearing, N. 3° E. and S. 3° W. These islands are sive leagues apart: we failed between them. At 7 h. the groupe called the Matchi Islands bore from S. 16° E. to

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S. 24° W.; Tunatchi, S. 60° W.; Agenhu, N. 58° W.; the extremes of Great Lieuchieux, from S. E. to N. E. by E. feven or eight leagues.

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At 9 h. we hauled our wind, and plied to windward till day-light with a fresh wind from the fouthward, when being diffant from Lieuquicux four or five leagues, we flood for it upon a wind. At 21 h. we had fight of the harbour of Napachau, bearing from S. 25° E. four or five miles. In this direction, half a mile off was a chain of breakers. We plied to the fouthward till noen, when we observed off the harbour. A low fandy ifland bears N. 57° W., from Napachan roads feven or eight miles; between which and the north point of Lieuchieux we had foundings of 28 and 30 fathoms, corally bottom. This point bears N. 14° W., West from the fouth point of Liquieux: an hummock is on the extreme of it, and a reef projects to the westward of it some distance. At noon the outer part of this reef bore S. 14° W.: Reef point, which forms the flarboard entrance into the roads, S. 14° E.; the harbour of Napachan, S. 64° E. three or four miles: Matchi Iflands, from S. 36° W. to N. 81° W.; Sandy Hland, N. 45° W. to N. 63° W. three or four miles; Lieuchieux north extreme, N. 25° E.: current fince noon of yesterday, 28 East. Fresh

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BOOK 1797. July 10th. breezes and very pleafant weather from the S. W. quarter.

After noon we bore up for the roads, keeping the flarboard fhore on board. We had irregular foundings from 15 to 2½ fathoms; and feeing rocks under our bottom, we hauled out and brought to, till a boat from the town full of people came off to us. They most willingly undertook the charge of conducting the veffel; one of them taking the helm, and another directing her course from the mast-head. We passed very close to the fouthward of a reef, which bears S. 20° W. from the Reef point one mile and a half, having no bottom with 15 fathoms; and then steered in E. S. E. for a building fituated upon fome elevated black rocks, which appeared like a block-house, when the entrance of the opening of the harbour bore S. E. by South. We hauled up for it, and came to an anchor in 12 fathoms, muddy bottom, at half a mile diftant, with the following bearings: the harbour, S. 35° E.; Starboard point, S. 70° W.; Low Island, N. 57° W.; and reefs extending from N. 15° W. to N. 40° W.; the islands of Matchi, N. 60° W. to 77° W. fix or feven leagues; north extreme of the land of Lieuchieux, N. 18° E.

Our friends left us in the evening, with affurances of being supplied with water, wood, and refreshments, in the morning, but requested us not to go on shore. It blew strong from the S. W. throughout the morning, with frequent heavy squalls; but we rode very well sheltered. In the course of the day we received water by shore-boats; and in the evening, the weather moderating, the master was employed sounding the roads. Early in the morning our friends sent us a bullock, hogs, sowls, and potatoes, with abundance of wood and water, and strongly urging our departure.

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In the forenoon a junk arrived from Typinfan; and a Japanefe junk failed out of the harbour, and proceeded on her voyage towards Nipon, passing between the reefs to the northward.

The wind ftill blew fresh from the south, which occasioned so great a surf on the shore that no boat could land except in the harbour, which to us was inadmissible. This restriction was extremely mortifying, as I was anxious to acquire some knowledge of the manners and customs of these people; and all myendeavours had hitherto proved inessectual: nor could my intreatics persuade them to let some of the officers BOOK II. 1797. July. officers go on fhore in their boats. I therefore determined to fend them in our own boat; but the principal perfor remaining on board would not accompany them, and feemed extremely difpleafed at their going. They were landed without any objection in the harbour, and the boat returned immediately. In the mean while, our friend had gone after in one of their own boats.

In about an hour we faw the officers coming off, efcorted by their friends, and gave me the following account of their reception, &c. On their landing at the pier-head they were met by feveral of the principal people, who conducted them along the caufeway leading to the town; but, after fome converfation, they were flewn into a large dwelling-house, and entertained with refreshments of tea and tobacco. Here they remained, nor could they prevail upon their company to let them proceed any farther: they therefore (opposition having no effect) returned on board.

They found the entrance into the harbour very narrow; and in the fair way they had 2½ fathoms, just after low water; and within the port they had 7 fathoms. It took a widening direction to the S. W.,

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and was of confiderable extent. They counted 20 large junks at anchor, chiefly Japanefe, from 200 to 300 tons burthen.

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On each fide of the entrance was an apparent block-house, or place of defence, built of stones in a fquare form, with loop holes. The caufeway leading to the town was 300 or 400 yards long, with an hes underneath, to give the water a free passage; for as the tide flowed up to the town, over the coral banks which extended from it to the pier-head, it was neceffary to give the water its courfe without any obftruction. The town extended along the fhore to the North fome distance; and from the number of people we faw at different times, I should suppose it very populous. The houses were of one story, and the roofs covered with a brick tiling. Trees were interfperfed among the houses; and the country rising to a moderate elevation at the back of the town, variegated with cultivations and clumps of woods, equally diverfified the view from the fea.

At the extreme of the town, to the North, was a burial-ground. The tomb-flones were whitened, and feemed to lay in an eaft and west direction. They are conspicuous as you fail into the roads.

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These people perfectly understood our having been at Typinfan, but could not comprehend what we had done with our men; not conceiving we had been fince at China. This supposition may be some reason for their not fuffering us to go on shore, as they could not also understand why we should be so soon in want of provisions; of which circumstance we only made an excuse, that we might have some communication with them. It will also prove how vessels in distress may really benefit by the humanity and liberality of thefe islanders, who confer favours, as far as I can judge, without expecting any return for fo doing. In every other respect, except allowing us to land, they were obliging, civil, and attentive; bringing off vegetables, and fome of their spirits called fakki; and at all times behaving with a degree of politeness, which rendered their company very pleafing. They were also open and unreferved in their manners. We had only to lament our ignorance of their language, which prevented our acquiring any knowledge of their government.

Every boat that came off always brought different people, feemingly to gratify their curiofity in feeing the veffel: and observing our people at their meals much excited their attention.

As our friends were convinced we had all our wants fupplied, they feemed very anxious for our failing; and we took our leave of them in the afternoon. We presented them with a fpying-glass, the only thing they appeared defirous of, and a drawing of the veffel, with a memorandum expreffing our nation and arrival.

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This island is called by the inhabitants Lieuchieux, or Loo-choo, and extends from the latitude of 26° 4' N. to 26° 50' N., and from 128° 12' E. to 128° 45' E. Its greatest direction is N. E. and S. W., nearly about 21 leagues. The harbour of Napachan is on the S. W. fide, in latitude 26° 11' N. and longitude 128° 13′ 30" E. The town adjoining the harbour is the principal on the island, and, as we understood, the feat of government. The port is convenient for commerce, and feems to be the centre of trade between Japan and the fouthern islands. They also trade to China and Formofa. The inhabitants are, in every respect of manners, customs, and appearances, the fame with those of Typinsan; and resemble more the Japanese than the Chinese: speaking with very little variation the language of the former, and writing after their manner. They were also well acquainted with China, and fliewed us feveral articles from that 1 1

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BOOK II. 1797. July. country; particularly English broad-cloth, which they feemed to value \*.

Their junks are the fame with the Chinese; or at least, the difference in their construction is hardly perceptible.

\*Le Pere Gaubil, a missionary of the Jesuits at Pekin, wrote a memoir on these islands, called by the Chinese Lieou-kieou. See Lettres Edistantes, tom. xxiii. p. 182. Some parts of the memoir are here translated.

"These islands, situated between Corea, the isle of Formosa, and Japan, are thirty-fix in number. The chief island is called Lieou-kicou; all the rest have particular names. The great island is in extent from South to North more than 440 Chinese furlongs, and 120 or 130 from West to East. On the fouth fide this distance from West to East is not more than 100. The furlong mentioned here is the measure of roads used by the Chinese: two hundred of them make twenty leagues at sea, or a degree of a great circle. The king keeps his court in the western part of the island; the town is named King-ehing. The palace is situated near it, with four great gates fronting the cardinal points. At ten furlongs from the western is the harbour ealled Napakiang, or Napachan, as named in this voyage. The longitude of this palace is 146° 26' 27", and lat. 26° 2'. Of the 36 islands which are subject to the king of Lieou-kieou, eight are fituated to the north-east of it, five to the north-west of the part of the island called Cheouli, four to the East, three to the West, feven to the South, and nine to the fouth-west. The names of the feven illes to the South are Tai-ping-chan (off which the Providence was wrecked), Ykima, Y-leangpa, Koulima, Tatama, Mienno, Oukomi, Patchong-chan, or as it is called in this voyage Pa-chu-fun, is one of the nine iflands

ceptible. They make use of matted sails, and work them in the same manner. The boats they brought off water in were large and flat-floored; and they made use of skulls and oars. Their canoes were very inferior, being simply hollowed out of pine trees: they were chiefly employed sishing out at sea. Their sails were matted, and they went very sast through the water.

At Lieuchieux they manufacture their own garments; and their linen checks appeared equal to any of ours. According to the weather, they increase or decrease their garments in number; and, like the Japanese, the appendages to their dress consist in a fan, pipe, and tobacco-box.

Not being permitted to visit the country, we can give no account of many of their productions beyond

islands to the fouth-west." For a further description consult the whole of Pere Gaubil's memoir.

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In Lord Macartney's embaffy to China, edited by Sir G. Staunton, mention is made of his intention of vifiting Japan, and of the reasons which prevented him. There are also inserted some remarks on the Lieuchieux Islands, and their mode of government: the English met with some ambaffadors going to China, to whom they are tributary; and there are observations on the propriety of sending an embaffy from this country to those islands.—See the Embaffy to China, Vol. II.

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wheat,

BOOK II. 1797. July. wheat, millet, Indian corn, rice, and fweet potatoes, in which articles they feem to abound. They had borfes and cattle, with hogs of a large breed, different from the Chinefe, and fowls of a large growth. We did not fee any geefe; but we left with them two pair belonging to the fchooner.

The watch, N° 45, shewed the longitude of the harbour of Napachan, by two days' observations, to be 127° 25′ 30″ East. As its situation, or at least the fouth part of the island, was pretty well fixed last year, we were apprehensive our watch must go irregularly; and yet we could not well account for it in fo fhort a time. Four days after failing, when our fituation was well known, off the coast of Ximo, by many observations this year as well as the last, N° 45 made the longitude too little by 47' 45", with every proper correction between the interval of time; which defect being applied to the longitude fliewn in Napachan roads, makes it to lie in 128° 13' East, which I take as the true longitude. And as the watch did not alter for the three days we were off and on the roads, I think there cannot be any mistake; but rather fuspect, the violent motion of the vessel, in the gale of wind off Formofa, must have affected it before our arrival.

At half past 4 h. we got under way and stood out to fea. At 5 h. 22 m. the harbour bore S. 58° E. two or three miles, when we bore away and made sail. At 7 h. 30 m. the extreme point of Luchieux, oss which were some breakers, bore N. 60° E. The land from this point tended to the East, and sormed a deep bay. No soundings with 90 sathoms, two or three miles off shore.

CHAP. III. 1797. July 12th.

We plied under eafy fail during the night; and at day-light, fouth extreme of Luchieux bore S. 26° W.; the bay, Eaft; an island, with a fugar-loaf hill in the centre, N. 35° W. We stood into the bay till we saw the rocks, at last evening bearing S. 60° W., which plainly evinced we had a strong current to the N. E. Being within four or five miles of the head of the bay, we wore, seeing the south side covered with breakers; and we steered to the W. N. V. Two small islands lay between Sugar-loaf Island and Lieuchieux, with extensive reess projecting from their extreme points.

It blew very firong in fqualls, and the hazy weather prevented our feeing very diffinctly, or we fhould have paffed between the iflands. At 20 h. 30 m., having rounded the Sugar-loaf Island, we hauled up; and at 21 h. we discovered more islands to the N. E. We

1797. July. still pursued the same course, to pass between them and Lieuchicux; and at 23h. we were a-breaft of them. Half an hour afterwards we brought to, to observe the latitude, having a fresh gale and a good deal of At noon the north point of Lieuchieux bore S. 80° E. three leagues; Sugar-loaf, just visible through the haze, S. 58° W.; extreme of Lieuchieux to the South, S. 45° W.; a finall ifle, to appearance near the fhore, South; extremes of an high broken island, from N. 10° W. to N. 46° W., five or fix leagues diffant; Low Island, N. 57° W.; extremes of another island, from N. 67° W. to N. 81° W., about four leagues, of moderate elevation. The northernmost island I take to be what is called Brimstone Island in the charts: which is fituated, by Van Keulen, to the East of Lieuchieux.

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At 1 h. 45 m. the north point of Lieuchieux bore South, about four miles; and we faw a low island to the N. E. At 3 h. 30 m. the extreme of the northern part, from S. 25° W. to S. 67° W.; the low island, from N. 20° W. to N. 25° E. five or fix miles, when we made fail to the N. E. At 4 h. 15 m. the fouth extreme of the low island bore West, about three leagues. It was very low at each extreme, with breakers off the points; and in the centre, of very moderate elevation.

vation. This ifland appeared like those we had hitherto seen, fertile in appearance.

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At 5 h. 15 m. we faw a more extensive island bearing N. by W.; and at 7 h. it extended from N. to N. W. 4 W., but very indistinctly for the haze: we estimated it at three or four leagues distance. Half past, we brought to for the night; and in the morning, to our surprise, we had no sight of the land.

At 4 h. an island was seen bearing N. N. E.. At 7 h. 30 m. it extended from North to N. 50° W. two or three leagues. At 8 h. we hauled our wind and plied to windward. At day-light the island preserved the fame bearings; and at 18 h. 30 m. the north point bore West: and in the direction of N. 80° W. from the point, we faw another island. The first island is three or four leagues in extent, in a N. E. and S. W. line, low at each extreme, but rifing abruply from the fea on the east side to a considerable elevation, and very rocky. On the west side were several small villages feattered along fhore; and a finall opening afforded shelter to some junks. Behind the villages was cultivated land. At 20 h. the other island bore from West to S. 66° W. three or four leagues. It was moderately high, and diversified with uneven ground;

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1797. July. but the hills appeared rather barren. At 22 h. 10 m. we faw a rock from the main rigging, bearing S. 80° W. four or five leagues. At 23 h. we loft fight of the fecond ifland, bearing S. 22° W. feven leagues. These iflands seemingly were destitute of wood.

Horne, feaman, who died the day before. He was a fine active well-behaved young man, and one of our best seamen. His complaint was a violent dysentery and billious sever, which carried him off in five days. At 7 h. we saw two islands making very high: they bore N. 47° W. and N. 73° W. ten or twelve leagues.

Moderate winds and pleasant weather.

We faw land from N. 25° W. to S. 78° W.; and at 23 h. 20 m. the north extreme of it bore N. 73° W. feven or eight leagues.

By the noon observations we have been set N. 59° E. 53 miles.

## CHAP. IV.

Passage along the South and Eastern Coasts of Japan.—White Point.—Arrival for the second Time in Endermo Harbour at Infu.—Suspicious Behaviour of the Japanese settled there.

Fresh breezes and very hazy: feeing no land to the caftward. At 4 h. P. M. we hauled our wind; and at half paft, we tacked and ftood to the N. W., being convinced the land feen in the forenoon was the fouthern part of Xino. At day-light the land extended from N. 10° W. to S. 64° W.; a bay, N. 80° W. Throughout the forenoon it was calm, and we had no foundings. At 20 h. we faw more land to the N. E., in which direction the current fet us very faft. At noon the coaft of Ximo extended from N. 46° E. to S. 77° W.; the bay, S. 60° W., fix or feven leagues off fhore.

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Our fituation was nearly the fame as on the 22d of November laft year, when  $N^{\circ}$  1 fliewed the longitude

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 $N^{\circ}$  45 now shewed the longitude 131° 42′ E.

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which will account for ar not making the land we expected, having had no opportunity before of taking lunar observations. Current these 24 hours N. 34° E. 47 miles.

17th. Light airs and hazy weather.

16 h. Calm till near noon.

22 h. At noon the land from N. 22° W. to S. 67° W. four or five leagues. Current these 24 hours N. 50° E. 31 miles.

At funfet we were within two leagues of the land; and we had 38 fathoms, fandy bottom: the extremes extending from N. 6° E. to S. 33° W. Near the fea the coast was tolerably level; but the interior part was very mountainous land. During the night and forenoon it continued calm, with light airs at intervals; and our soundings varied from 21 to 60 fathoms, as we increased our distance from 5 to 12 miles off.

In the forenoon we had four large junks in company, but they took no notice of us.

At noon it was very hazy, when the visible extremes bore from N. by W. to S. S. W., four miles off shore. Current these 24 hours N. 57° E. 16½ miles. Obferved distances  $\odot$  and  $\supset$  132° 03′.

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36 fathoms water.

At 2 h, we came to an anchor in 28 fathoms fandy bottom, three miles from the fhore; the extremes bearing from N. 15° E, to S. 15° W.

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 $\Lambda$  fifthing-boat came on board and gave us fome fifth; they made use of skulls instead of oars.

With a light air we got under way; and throughout the night we had a continual fog.

Hazy and calm weather throughout the morning.

At noon the extremes from S. 30° W. to N. 5° W., off flore three or four leagues. Current these 24 hours north-easterly 18 miles.

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The breeze gradually dying away to our great difappointment. The extremes at noon from N. 5° W. to S. 70° W. off flore three or four leagues. Current there 24; N. by E. 25 miles.

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1797. July 22d. Twenty miles to the N. of account. Our bearings nearly the fame as yesterday.

With a light breeze we ftood in fhore, and at 7 h. we tacked close in with the low land in 15 fathoms. The high land to the South bearing S. 4° E. three leagues. An inlet W. by S. one mile; several junks were at anchor within it: the entrance was narrow, but it seemed to assord good shelter within the points of the beach. This does not form a bay, but each extreme being bounded by very high land, makes it appear so at a distance: and in the interval is a considerable extent of low coast. The surf broke very high along the shore.

The morning was calm, and a thick haze obscured the land from our view.

Eighty fathoms water, and this day we experienced no current.

Calm till 2 h., when a fleady breeze fprung up from the fouthward, and the haze cleared away. At 3 h. the high land fet the laft evening bore S. 44° W. two leagues, when we tacked and fleered Eaft; as there appeared no probability of our making our course to the

the South, from the wind and current opposing each other so equally till to-day, when they both were unfavourable. Towards noon the wind came to the westward, with very hazy weather.

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By our observations the current must have set us N. 64° E. 67 miles, which accounts for our not seeing the land; having been set past it at the rate of three miles an hour during the night. The part we expected to make is in 32° 30′ W., and ought to have bore N. W. of us about five leagues. I imagine it to be the eastern extreme of the island Ximo.

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We could fee diffinctly fix or feven leagues, and our estimated latitude was 32° 54′. Three junks were seen steering to the eastward, but we had no sight of the land.

Calm, with frequent riplings, but no foundings. Current N. 81° E. 28 miles.

Pleafant weather, but hazy round the horizon.

BOOK II. 1797. July 26th. At 5 h. we faw the land bearing North; and at 7 h. it extended from N. 14° W. to N. 15° E. five or feven leagues. At half past 1 h. we brought to till daylight, when the land bore from N. 35° W. to N. 40° E. two or three leagues: 90 fathoms, no bottom. As the fun rose we observed many boats in shore under fail, also several junks.

After patting what appeared like an itland, but proved, as far as we could judge, to be a peninfula, the diffant land opened with it in the direction of N.34° E.

On the N.E. extreme of the peninfula, which prefents a level furface, are four remarkable trees, and fome rocks detached from it to the eastward. In the direction of N. 30° W. from the point of the trees, was a finall harbour, in which feveral junks were laying before a town. On the peninfula, and in the bays furrounding it, were feveral villages and feattered houses, with great cultivation about the country. Many boats were fishing, and an infinity of various sizes were failing along the shore to the East and West.

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The interior land was rather high and much broken, forming hills with fharp ridges running parallel with each other in a N. E. and S. W. direction. The fea coaft was a fandy beach intermixed with rocks, and clumps of woods appeared in the hollows of the rifing grounds above the fhore.

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Several fishing boats came off to us in the course of the day to satisfy their curiosity. They were well shaped with projecting sterns, and finely decorated with paint, the ground-work being black. Each boat had 13 men, with five skulls of a side; and they went through the water with great velocity. They were 39 feet long, 6½ seet wide. At noon, light breezes and sine weather; the north extreme bore N. 29° E., and the peninsula forming the south extremes from S. 70° W. to S. 88° W. three or sour leagues; our distance from the shore sour or sive miles: the harbour bearing N. 82° W., and we had no soundings with 90 sathoms.

It was nearly in this fituation we made the land on the 17th. of November last year, in a hard gale of wind from the S. W. quarter. It is the fouth point of Nipon, and is fituated in the latitude 33° 25' N.,

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1797. July. 27th. and longitude 135° 47'0" E. The infulated appearance of the peninfula will always make it known.

The fouth extreme of Nipon S. 54° W. fix leagues, the extreme land to the North N. 29° E.; off fhore two or three leagues.

The extremes of land from S. 69° W. to N. 20° E.; it continued high and much broken. At noon an opening with an ifland in the centre of it bore N. 54° W.; and the extremes extended from N. 13° E. to S. 65° W., off flore four leagues.

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Scarcely any current: the coast appeared indented by projecting points. At 4 h. the north extreme, making like an island bore N. 21° E., and to the northward the land became very low. At 7 h. the apparent island bore N. 30° W.: outer low point N. 20° E. three leagues. South extreme S. 64° W. three or four leagues from the coast abreast of us. At 9 h. we were well up with the low point, and we saw many lights on thore. After running eight miles we brought to till day-light, having no foundings with 75 fathoms. The morning was calm, haz, and we could not distinguish the land. At 6 A.M. a breeze springing

up, we flood in for it; and at 21 h. we could just discern it bearing from W. I. N. to N. W. The wind shifting we flood to the N. E., and at noon the extremes extended from W. I. N. to N. E. Low land N. three or sour leagues. Current N. 75° E. 35 miles.

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At 2 h. we steered in the direction of the coast, which was low and fandy towards the sea; but the interior land we could not distinguish for the haze. At 7 h. the extremes we could discern from N. 65° E. to N. 70° W., our distance from the shore three or sour leagues, and we had no soundings with 80 sathoms of line. Several junks were seen making their different voyages up and down the coast.

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The forenoon was very hazy, which prevented our feeing the land diffinctly. At noon the extreme northern points bore N. 32° E., and was the extent feemingly of the fandy fhore. The coast from thence fell back to the North very considerably, as if there was some opening round it; and in which direction we saw several boats returning from sea, where they had been a fishing. The other extreme bore N. 40° W. four or sive miles.

BOOK II. 1797. July 30th. Light breezes and very hazy weather. At half past 1 h. the north extreme set at noon now bore North, sour or sive miles; land open with it extended to the N. E., more distant. At half past 4 h. we passed some high land, with steep clayey cliss, which at 6 h. bore N. 50° E. about three leagues.

At day-light we were well up with the islands South of Jeddo bay, extending from N. E. to S. E. by S.; and the extreme of Nipon, N. 60° W. At 5 h. A. M. we tacked to the North. The forenoon was very hazy and calm, which prevented our feeing any distant objects; and at noon we had the following bearings: two hummocks islands in one, S. 30° E. feven or eight miles; Volcano Island, N. 32° E. to N. 83° E.; extreme of Nipon, from N. 10° W. to S. 80° W. No foundings. During the night we had thunder and lightning, with most oppressive heat. Current N. 72° E. 15 miles.

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A ftrong current fet us to the North, between Volcano islands and the western shore of Jeddo bay. At 4 h. the north part of the island bore East, two or three miles; and on the west side we observed a large village. This island was very high in the centre, rising gradually

gradually from each extreme; and we observed several times large columns of black smoke isluing from the side of the easiern highest part of the mountain. At 7 h. the island extended from S. 5° E. to S. 40° E. three miles. In the morning at 17 h. the east entrance into Jeddo bay bore N. 5° W. to N. 20° W. The wind continued variable and calm till noon, when the city point, forming the entrance into the bay, bore S. 80° W. three leagues. Several boats came off, and bartered their fish for trifles.

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We made fail for White Point, which at 4 h. bore N. 20° W. At 7 h. we were a-breaft of it, bearing, in one with the round mountain, N. 87° W. We had nine fathoms water, three or four miles from the fhore. White Point is remarkable, and eafily known in any direction, being much higher than any land near it, and terminating abruptly towards the fea, with white eliffs capped with wood; the land on each fide receding from it. After leaving it we gradually deepened our water to 20 and 30 fathoms. The extremes to the North being very low, bore N. N. E., and towards the S. W. extreme point, S. 43° W. The night was moderate; and in the morning at 17 h. the land extended from N. 3° E. to N. 30° W., four or fix L L 2 leagues.

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1797. August. leagues. The north extreme appeared like an island, but it is not so. I conceive it to be Sand-down Point. The coast between it and White Point is very low, falling back to the westward between the two points. We saw nothing of what Captain King (in Cook's voyages) calls Hummock Island; but I imagine what he took for it was the elevated part of Sand-down Point, which has that appearance at a distance, from its forming a projecting point, and the low land not being visible.

In the morning we had many fifthing boats on board. They were much fmaller than those seen off Jeddo bay, and made use of fine matted sails, except a cotton cloth in the middle. Each boat admitted water for the preservation of their sish. At noon Sand-down Point bore S. 15° W., sive or six miles; and the north extreme, N. 50° W., sour or sive off shore. In the afternoon at 3 h., when White Point bore due North, we got some observations for the watch, which shewed the longitude 139° 46′ 10″ E., by Macao rate; White Point, 140° 40′ 0″ E., by Captain King; latitude 35° 13′ N. I therefore take a new departure, allowing the point to be well fixed by the observations made in that voyage.

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We steered in the direction of the coast, sive or six miles from it. At 3 h. we saw high land to the northward, and we sicered towards it. By 7 h. we were at the extremity of the low land, which bore N. 70° W. three leagues; and the high land commenced with an easy ascent: the north extreme then bore of us N. 18° W. At 8 h. our estimated latitude was 36° 21 North, which is nearly the situation of Low Point. At 12 h. 50 sathoms.

CHAP. IV. 1797. August 2d.

The morning was a very thick fog, which cleared away at 19 h., and we faw the high land extending from S. W. by S. to N. W. by N.; the nearest part 3 or 4 miles. At 20 h. 45 m. the fog entirely dispersed; and we steered along the shore, which was bold and cliffy. Our situation in the morning was just to the North of Cape de Kennis, but the fog prevented our seeing it. At noon the extremes of land bore from N. W. to S. by W. ½ W.: nearest shore sive or six miles.

At 35 m. past 2 h. we saw land extending from N. 34° E. to N. 55° E. seven or eight leagues; and at 3 h. the main land, running out to a low point, bore N. 15° E., leaving the angle between the lands so finall as to render the passage between them uncer-

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1797. August. tain; we therefore hauled up to weather, what I supposed to be, the islands of Matzima: the high land on the main bearing West. At half past 7 h, the north part of Peaked Itland, which is not the fouthernmoft, bore Weft, three or four miles; and our latitude was 38° 15' N. This ifland was of finall extent, and feparated from the other land by a narrow channel. It prefented rocky fliores, but was well covered with wood, even up to the peak. Some low iflands bear from it N. 4° E., but at no great diffiance. Two flat iflands of fome extent are five miles to the West of Peaked Island, with a clear passage seemingly between them and the other land, in the direction of N. 40° W. When the fouth point of Peaked Isle bore West, the fouthern flat island bore S. 77° W; extreme island to the North, N. 15° W. Sounded with 90 fathoms, no bottom. At 8 h., and at 11½ h., we brought to for the night. In the morning we had moderate weather, and the Peaked Island bore S. 35° W.; north extreme, N. 30° W.; and we freered in for the land. At 8 h. A. M. the fouth point of an opening, off which are two or three high rocks, bore West three or four miles; Peaked Isle, S. 10° W.; the low islands without At 10 h. A. M. the paffage up the opening made very clear, in the direction of S. 65° W. There are detached rocks on each fide of the entrance, and the

channel appeared narrow. After running up fome CHAP. distance, it appeared to take a winding course.

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To the north of the opening is a fmall bay, with iflots and feattered rocks, on which the fea broke. The northern point was richly cultivated; and on the fea-fide was an extensive town.

At noon pleafant breezes and fair weather. Peaked Island, S. 10° W.; rocks off the fouth point of the opening, S. 28° W. nine miles; north extreme, N. 30° E., off the nearest shore three or four miles.

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At 1 h. we were a-breaft of a deep opening, running up in a N. W. direction. On the fouth fide are two hills: the fouthern one is bare, with a clump of trees upon it; the other richly clothed with wood, extending to the point which is rocky, and of moderate eleva-When to the North, this hill refembles a fugartion. loaf. The north point is bare, with a confpicuous clump of trees on it; and off are two conical rocks, which are not feen when to the South. The country was well cultivated; and many houses were scattered along the fhore, and numerous boats were fishing. I should imagine this harbour to afford good shelter, and to be very eafy of access. No foundings with 70 fathoms.

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BOOK II. 1797: August. fathoms. To the North of the harbour the land rofe to a great height, forming projecting and abrupt heads towards the fea, leaving bays between them of confiderable extent, in a N. W. direction. We had baffling winds and calms under the high land, which was bold and rocky; and we could not reach the bottom with all our line.

At 8 h. we were abreast of the high table mountain bearing West, when our effected latitude was 39° 16′ N.; extremes from North to South 55°, off there four or five miles. At day-light we had the land bearing from N. 30° W. to S. 42° W; our distance two or three leagues from the fhore. We continued our course; and by 20 h. we opened a deep inlet, the points in one bearing S. 75° W. four miles: at the fame time, the east entrance of Port Nambu, N. 55° W. two or three leagues. A boat came off from the inlet, and ftrongly prefled us to go into Nambu. Towards noon the wind died away, and we remained five or fix miles from the land: the inlet bearing S. 43° W.; low point of Port Nambu, N. 87° W. 6'; extremes, from N. 28° W. to S. 22° W. Our Japanese friends not fucceeding in perfuading us to go into Nambu, foon after returned to the inlet.

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The current fetting to the fouthward, we preferved nearly the fame fituation. The inlet South of Nambu took a S. W. direction, and to appearance afforded good fhelter. The S. E. point of entrance is very high bold land; the fummit covered with trees, and is remarkable by being much more elevated than the coast to the fouthward. Some rocks lay off the N. W. point, which forms a projecting hummock. The forenoon was calm and mild weather; but to our surprise we saw no fishing boats, nor junks making their coasting voyages, as we had before frequently observed to the southward. Point of Nambu harbour, S. 84° W. four or sive miles; Inlet, S. 38° W. nine miles; extremes, from N. 32° W. to S. 24° W. We frequently tried unsuccessfully for soundings.

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Calms and light airs still continued, attended with fome rain in the morning.

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The entrance to Port Nambu was well open, bearing S. 59° W.; and the inlet, S. 28° W., off the former three leagues.

At noon the inlet, S. 31° W.; and Nambu entrance, S. 68° W. feven or eight miles. Mustered the people, and read the articles of war.

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Light winds, calms, and variable weather. During the night we had a thick fog, which dispersed in the morning; and we had cloudy weather, with some rain.

At noon the port of Nambu bore S. 10° W, on with low land; extreme land near the inlet, S. 3° W.; extremes to the North, N. 51° W., off shore five or six miles; an opening, West.

Light airs and calms, making our progress along the coast very tedious. At 7 h. the opening bore 35° West, two leagues. An island is off the north point; and we had 55 fathoms, black sand. The north extreme bore N. 55° W., very low land; the high land about Nambu, S. 3° E. A junk came out of the harbour, and in the night spoke to us; but we could not understand them.

A fine morning gave us a distinct view of the land, which still extended to the W. N. W., very low. Some high land extended from S. 50° W. to S. 80° W.: it is the only elevated part between Nambu and the north point of Captain King's chart near the coast. The country was universally laid out in plantations, affording a pleasing prospect. At noon it became

very hazy over the land, when the north extreme bore N. 75° W.; Near Point, which projected from the high land, S. 81° W.; a white rock close to the shore, S. 68° W. two or three leagues. Forty-five sathoms, fand and shells.

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As the haze cleared away we perceived the land still to tend to the W. N. W.; and at 1 h. we discerned high land bearing from N. 24° W. to N. 34° W., which seemed to be a continuation of Nipon. The shore to the North of the point fet at noon, S. 81° W., receded confiderably, and either formed a large bay or harbour; but probably, from the appearance of the low shores, it was the entrance of a river. The junk, having accompanied us all day, entered the opening. We altered our course for the distant land, which at 7 h. bore N. 25° W.; high land, N. 37° W. to N. 60° W.: and the hazy weather prevented our feeing the low land any distance. South extreme, S. 50° W. In the evening the wind died away; and throughout the night and morning we had a thick fog. At times in the forenoon it cleared away, which gave us an opportunity of feeing the high land to the N.W. By noon the fog dispersed, and we were well up with it: the outer extreme bearing N. 28° W. nine or ten M M 2 miles.

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BOOK II. 1797. August. miles. This head land rofe abruptly from the fea to a confiderable height, bold and cliffy. Within the outer extreme the fliore prefented a barren appearance, but not fo elevated, till it joined the high land, which was much broken: the extreme part of it extended to S. W., when the low land continued to the South as far as we could fee. An extensive village was feen to the W. S. W., with the cultivations furrounding it afcending the hills, in ridges one above another. A fandy beach skirted the shore, from whence we were distant four miles. We experienced this day a foutherly current of 14 miles. In the evening and morning, and during the fog, we were continually troubled with a variety of brown peterels, having the outer part of their wings tipped underneath with white. They made an unufual chattering noise, and were in great numbers.

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At 7 h. we were only abreaft of the outer extreme head fet at noon, now bearing N. 65° W. At the extremity of the low point beyond it are some detached rocks; they bore N. 40° W. sive or six miles. Some very distant high land was observed to the W. N. W. The night was very foggy.

In the morning we had a fresh breeze from the S. E., which increased the fog till near noon, when it entirely dispersed.

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We experienced this day 27 miles of foutherly current.

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At 18 h. we just got sight of the rocks, bearing West five or fix miles; but we got no view of the land, the fog coming on again so immediately. We pursued our course for Volcano Bay; and at 22 h. we saw Point Esarme to the W. N. W. At noon it bore N. 80° W.; abrupt head on the N. E. point of Nipon, S. 30° W.; high mountain, S. 47° W. 8'; the extremes of Nipon very high, S. 67° W.

Soon after noon the wind shifted to the west-ward.

11th.

Point Esarme, S. 37° W. The shore from this point took a S. W. by W. direction. Our distance was three or four leagues off. Variable weather.

At noon Point Esarme, S. 15° W., on with the main land of Nipon; north point of Volcano bay, N. 63° W. four leagues; extremes of Insoo, from N. 15° E. to

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1797. August N. 80° E.; fouth Volcano, S. 78° W.; mountain in Nipon, S. 10° W. Calm weather and fair.

At 6 h. 30 m. the high mountain in Nipon and Point Efarme bore S. 8° W.

Variable weather. We steered in for the bay, as wind permitted. At 7 h. 30 m. Point Esarme bore South.

The wind favouring us, we steered for the entrance of Endormo harbour; and at 3 A. M. we came to in nine fathoms, muddy bottom: Hans Oldson Island bearing S. 77° W. two miles.

In the forenoon the boat was employed up the harbour, feeking the most convenient place for our wooding, watering, and making observations, &c. Fair and pleasant weather. Observed the latitude on shore.

In the afternoon we got under way and run up the harbour, where we moored in three fathoms water, perfectly sheltered from every wind, and within two cables' length of the shore, and a-breast of a fine fircam of water. Several houses were scattered along

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the shore, inhabited by the inossensive natives of the island, who very soon paid us a visit.

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We immediately commenced our operations, but the bad weather much impeded our progress. The winds were chiefly from the S. E. quarter, with some rain; and on the 14th it blew very strong. The constant gloominess of the weather was extremely unfavourable for the regulation of our time-piece; but we embraced every opportunity of taking equal altitudes.

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Two days after our arrival we were visited by some Japanese, who came from the town of Matzmai, as we understook them, on purpose to find out of what nation we were, and our intentions in coming here. And on the 18th our old friends arrived; the same we had noticed last year for their civility. They seemed much surprized at seeing us in so small a vessel, and could not well account for our coming here again. As they came expressly to look after us, and to prevent our intercourse with the natives, we had always their company either on board or on shore, where they resided opposite the vessel. They were anxious for our departure, and strongly urged it every day,

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BOOK II. 1797. August. but in a very civil manner. I had to regret we could not understand each other better, this man being equally intelligible and communicative. I acquired from him a very compleat map of the Japanese islands, with strong injunctions not to acknowledge from whom I procured it; as they explained the parting with it would bring them into disgrace and punishment, were it known.

These people informed us that the proper name of this extensive island was Insu or Insoo, and universally called so by the natives: Matzmai applying only to the town and district inhabited by the Japanese, situated opposite to the coast of Nipon, in the straits. They also informed us of the Russians trading to Ago-dad-dy, a port on the island to the N. E. of Matzmai, which they represented as a very good harbour, much superior to Endormo. There is another town in the straits belonging to the Japanese, but I did not learn the name.

The peninfula about Endormo is very thinly inhabited; and in the harbour the men feemed to have no other employment but fishing for their daily food, while those who lived on the other side of the isthmus,

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iftlimus, open to the fea, were always found collecting the feed-weed (fucus facharinus), which they dried in the fun and made up in bundles for exportation. Great quantities of this weed dries upon the flores of Volcano bay, which makes a confiderable trade to Matzmai, from whence it is exported to Nipon.

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## CHAP, V.

Off the Town of Matzmai in Infu.—Proceed through the Straits of Sangaar.—Range along the Western Coast of Infu.—Peaked Island or Timosbee.—Advance to 52° North Latitude.

BOOK II. 1797. August 2 tst. Ox Monday we had completely refitted the schooner for sea, amply provided with wood and water; and by laying her on shore we had repaired the desective copper on her bottom. The following morning we took leave of our Japanese friends, and to their great satisfaction we sailed out of the barbour. The wind blowing fresh at S. E. with dark, gloomy weather; we came to in nine sathoms off the entrance, Hans Oldson Island bearing S. 5° E. one mile.

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In the morning it was moderate and fair, with the wind from the eastward. At 8 h. A.M. we got under way, and stood over for Point Esarne. The harbour at noon bore N. 37° E. nine or ten miles, where our elevation

elevation made the latitude 42° 12′ 7″ N., mer. alt. 58′ 56′ 30″.

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We had no opportunity of making any other observations for the longitude of Endormo harbour than those which were taken last year in Volcano Bay, which fix its fituation to be in the latitude of 42° 19′ 29′ N., and 141° 7′ 36″ E.

By equal altitudes taken on fliore between the 13th of August and the 21st, the watch No. 45, appeared very materially to have altered her rate. And on the 21st of August at noon, was slow of mean time at Greenwich 0 h. 7 m. 10 s.59, and gaining per day 1.26s. on mean time. The watch made the longitude on our arrival 140° 5′ 0″ in the harbour, which is an error of 1° 2′ 30″ in 46 days. Thermometer from 65° to 80°.

At 2 h. 30 m. we tacked close in with the fouth Volcano in seven fathoms. Calm weather and very hazy, 48 fathoms. Rocky and sandy. Light airs. At noon the south Volcano bore N. 58° W. Extremetowards Matzmai S. 69° W., and the main land of Nipon S. 15° E. to S. 34° W. No bottom with 50 fathoms.

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BOOK II. 1797. August. The Volcano West, and Point Esarne 16° E. at daylight. By noon it bore West two or three miles. It forms a remarkable round head land, the upper part bare, which is occasioned by the lava that has run down it on the sides: between the drains it is covered with wood, and on the N.W. side we saw the sinoke ascending from the crater.

25th.

Fresh breezes and sair weather enabled us to stretch across the straits for Nipon: at 5 h, we tacked in 70 sathoms; the N. E. point of Nipon or Cape Nambu bearing S. 40° E. two leagues; the other extreme W. ½ N. The high land S. 40° W. between this land and Cape Nambu is an extensive bay with a low coast between them: the bay is of no depth. We continued plying to the eastward during the night, but in the morning we found we had lost ground. At 11 h, 40 m, we had 40 sathoms, coral and slones.

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At 4 h. do. 60, fand and ftones.

Point Efarne, West two leagues; no ground with 80 fathoms. Within the point in Volcano bay is a small bay, and many houses scattered about it.

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Calm till 4 h. when a fine breeze fpringing up, we flood over for Nipon. At 7 h. Cape Nambu, S. 10° W.; and Point Esarne, N. W.; and soon after we tacked. By the altitudes taken this afternoon for the watch, she shewed the longitude of Point Esarne 9' 10" too much. The true latitude of the Point is 41° 49' 20" N., and longitude 141° 20' 0" E. By applying the Macao rate from Endormo harbour, it agrees within 1' 30" of longitude.

CHAP. V. 1797. August 26th.

Moderate and cloudy weather.

At day-light we found a firong eatterly current ftill prevented our getting to the westward; and at noon Point Esarne bore S. 14° W. one mile. No foundings, at the same time, with 90 sathoms of line.

Cape Nambu and Point Efarne bear from each other N. 22° W. and S. 22° E. nine leagues.

We kept plying in Efarne bay, which affords good anchorage close in, and well sheltered from the westerly winds. We found many junks riding here, with cargoes of sea-weed, waiting for a fair wind to prosecute

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profecute their voyage. The inhabitants paid us a vifit; but only the men came into the veffel, the women remaining in the boats. A fine fiream of water is at the back of the fandy beach, which is procured with great convenience. The volcano ftill confinued burning; and the western side of the hill was entirely covered with pumice stones, appearing perfectly white. As the sinoke ascended, when to leeward we experienced a strong sulphurous smell. In the evening we stood over for Nipon; and at daylight Cape Nambu bore South. At noon the Cape bore 56° E.; Point Esarne, N. 5° E.; extreme of Nipon, running out to a low point, West: and we had very little current against us.

28th.

Soon after noon we had light winds, which enabled us to keep in with the coaft of Nipon and avoid the current, which we could plainly diffinguish without us running with rapidity. Before we came a-breast of the high land we passed two large towns, and observed several junks at anchor within the beach, and off the casternmost town, which is situated at the commencement of the high land to the W. S. W. of the N. E. Cape. The whole country in this part was cultivated.

Bearings

Bearings at noon: the ifland, S. 87° E., just in fight, three or four leagues; east point of the harbour of Agodaddy, N. 17° E., about four leagues; extremes of Nipon, S. 2° W. five leagues, making high. Hazy weather obscured the distant lands.

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At 6 h. the wind failed us, and we immediately came to in 11 fathoms, rocky bottom; a finall ifland, off the north point of Nipon, bearing S. 40° W. one mile; Cape Nambu, S. 66° E; Point Efarne, N. E.; extreme towards Matzmai, S. 75° E; and ditto of Nipon, S. 56° E. At 18 h. we got under way, passing close to the island, in four fathoms, to avoid the current, which run very strong, breaking in overfalls against the wind. Moderate breezes and cloudy weather.

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Light winds and hazy weather. The north point of Nipon is a low flat point, and is fituated in the latitude 41° 31′ N. and 140° 50′ E. of Greenwich: from it the coast takes a S. W. direction. Cape Nambu bears S. 70° E., from the north point ten or eleven leagues.

Light airs and calms throughout the night; and in the morning we found the current had drifted us to the BOOK II. 1797. August. the North, when the east point (which makes abruptly to the sea) of Agodaddy harbour bore N. 12° E. two or three leagues.

Our foundings during the night varied from 42 to 24 fathoms: fand and ftones.

Fresh breezes and squally weather, with heavy rain, which entirely obscured the land from our view.

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Light airs, with heavy rain, which substitute at 3 h. we had calm and clear weather; and our soundings were 15 fathoms, within two miles of the shore: the entrance of Agodaddy bearing N. E. On the west side we remarked several villages in the vallies formed by the rising grounds; and towards the west point of entrance the shore was well wooded. A light air carried us towards some high broken land, and we were necessitated to bring up near it in 56 fathoms, to avoid the current, when it bore S. 78° W. three miles; and a high falling point, on the coast of Nipon, bore S. 22° W.

We got under way with hazy and gloomy weather, keeping close in with Matzmai shore, which presented clayey cliss, very clevated, and covered with a thick soliage

foliage of woods. Many runs of water were precipitated from these hills, which gave them a romantic appearance.

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At 22 h. we passed an extensive village, with several junks at anchor off it. Several boats put off from the shore to visit us; but having the advantage of a fine breeze, we did not wait for them. This village was fituated in a bay, the west point of it being rocky. An ifland opened with it in the direction of S. 85° W.: and foon after we opened the town of Matzmai: this rocky point forming the east extreme of the bay. We also opened another island to the seaward. Matzmai bay is about four miles in extent: the two points forming it bear N. 70° W. and S. 70° E. from each other. At the west extreme is a very small island, connected with the shore by a reef of rocks. A finall building upon it ferves as a look-out house in the day, and a light-house by night. Our foundings were regular, with fix fathoms close in. A great many junks were lying along-fide of each other, moored close to the shore; and on the beach were several building and repairing. At noon we observed in 41° 22′ N.; the points of the bay, E. 5° N. to N. 65° W.; centre of the town, N. N. W. two miles; Nipon extremes, S. 15° E. to S. 61° E. five leagues.

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1797. August The morning was so hazy we could searcely distinguish the coast of Nipon.

Fresh breezes and hazy weather. We sailed close in along the shore to the town of Matzmai: and before we drew near we observed several horsemen, richly dressed, galloping into the town; and it should seem by their numbers, the whole of the inhabitants were collected to take notice of us.

Near the centre of the town, at a landing place, was a body of troops in regular order, with their colours flying, as if they expected us to land.

The town was of confiderable magnitude, extending along the margin of the beach, and afcending gradually to some distance up the rising grounds, interspersed with trees and gardens.

The houses were of wood, with the same kind of roosing, and universally covered with stones. The superior dwellings were decorated with long pieces of coloured cloths, of various patterns, spread lengthways, which had a very chearful effect; the ground work being chiefly white. The temples or public edifices were equally adorned, and colours slying all

over the town, as if dreffed for our amusement. The hills at the back rise to a good height, but were destitute of wood, and uncultivated, excepting some parts that were laid out in gardens.

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The easterly wind brought in a number of junks and boats: they all kept close in shore to avoid the current, which appeared to run to the westward very ftrong in the offing. At 3 h. we ftood to the fouthward. After running ten miles the N.W. point of Nipon bore S. 34° E. three leagues, and extended up the Straits to East; but we could not differn more than four leagues in that quarter for the haze. The extreme of Nipon, which the Japanese call Sangaroo, projects from fome bold high rocky land, and makes in hummocks at a distance; the extreme being highest, and falling abruptly to the fea. It bears S.S. E. from Matzmai about fix leagues. In the evening, 7 h., the light-house bore of us N. 54° W. three miles, and we had 65 fathoms, when the land of Matzmai took a In the morning, at day-light, N. N. W. direction. we were within four or five miles of the fliore, without toundings. The S. W. extreme of Matzmai, S. 36° E.; land of Nipon, just open; extreme of Insoo, North; an ifland, N. N. W.; another, S. 4° W.; to the West of 002

of it, a small rock; third island, S. 70° W. These two islands are high, but of no extent.

Soon after 1 h. the wind fluited to the castward, and blew a strong breeze, with dark cloudy weather. The coast of Insoo formed a bay from the land, and we were a-breast of it at noon, extending to the North several miles; but the haze over the shore prevented our observing any thing distinctly. The land was in general high, and bare of wood towards the sea.

We passed between the island, which at noon bore N. N. W., and the north point of the bay, having a clear passage three or four leagues wide. The island was low at each extreme, and tolerably elevated: its greatest extent two or three leagues, in a N. E. and S. W. direction. At 7 h. it bore from S. 50° W. to N. 67° W.; north point of the bay, N. 15° E. three leagues. The night was squally, with threatening weather; and at midnight we brought to till daylight, when the extremes of Insoo extended from N. 48° E. to S. 18° E.: the coast receding very considerably to the eastward. The island bore from S. 8° W.; nearest land of Insoo, four or five miles.

We made fail to the N. E., but the forenoon was variable and calm at times: at last it fixed in the castern quarter.

CHAP. V. 1797. September.

A junk accompanied us, continuing the same course along this coast. At noon the north point of the bay we passed yesterday bore South; and the extreme, N. 52° E.; nearest land, S. 10° E. two or three leagues; the island, just in sight, S. 50° W. Current 22 miles North.

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Strong breezes and very fqually weather; and the gloominess of the atmosphere prevented our distinguishing the coast very accurately. The country appeared highly diversified by hills and vallies; but no openings promising shelter that we could discern till 4 P. M. At 7 h. we were within two leagues of the land, set at noon N. 52° E., which makes high, descending gradually to a low point near the sea, off which is a small island and a rock above water. From the point the land of Insoo takes the direction of N. 60° E.

At 8 h. the noon point bore S. E. two leagues; and it became calm. At 9 h. the wind freshened up from the eastward, with gloomy weather, which in the forenoon.

forenoon increased to a fresh gale, with heavy rain from the N. E. quarter; and we stood to the N. W., September. having no fight of the land.

By the Japanese chart, in the bay we crossed in the afternoon is a river of some extent; and at 4 h. an opening round a high point, S. 5° E.; and at 6 h. it bore S. 30° E., but so indistinctly we could not ascertain whether we were right in our conjectures. The wind blowing strong from the land, prevented our approach to the shore to prove any thing with certainty.

Strong breezes and cloudy weather: extremely hazy round the horizon, and a large swell from the North.

More moderate. Tacked ship.

10 h. Half past, tacked.

20 h. Swell much abated.

24 h. Fresh breezes and hazy weather.

4th. Moderate breezes and very cloudy weather.

3 h. Tacked ship.

11 h. Dark cloudy weather, with rain.

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At noon Peaked Island, N. 8° E. six leagues.

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Extremes of Infoo, from S. E. to N. 60° E. about September.

We saw an island to the eastward; and soon after another, with a high peak in the centre, bearing N. by E. At 22 h. we saw the main land of Insoo from East to S. E.

We steered for the north extreme of Insoo, passing to the West of two low flat islands that bore a barren appearance, and were uninhabited. The main land continued high and irregular, gradually decreasing towards the extreme, which appeared low and well wooded. At 7 h. the wind died away, and it was calm till 11 h.; the extremes of Insoo then bearing from N. 37° E. to S. 14° E., distant four leagues from the nearest parts.

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Flat islands, S. 12° W. and S. 34° W.

Peaked Island, N. 15° W.

Towards midnight the wind came from the East, and we stood to the northward. At day-light the extreme,

extreme, North of Infoo, N. E.; and we made fail to get up with Peaked Island; but the wind veering to E. N. E., we were unable to weather it: and at 22 h. we bore away to the West, ranging the island at 14 miles distant, in 45 fathoms, rocky bottom. We foon after opened another island, bearing N. 30° W., two leagues from the S. W. point of Peaked Isle. At noon we had very pleasant weather. The extremes of Peaked Island extended from N. 10° E. to S. 69° E.; the Peak, N. 62° E., two miles the nearest part; the other island, N. 2° to 20° W.; extremes of Insoo, S. 37° E. The north part we could not see, being that in with the Peak, from which it bears northeasterly.

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Soon after noon a canoe from Peaked Island came on board. These people were in every respect the same with those of Volcano bay. They called the Peaked Isle, Timo-shee; and the other, Tee-shee. Timo-shee is of an irregular sigure, six or seven leagues in circumserence, rising gradually from its base to an uncommon high peaked hill, presenting evidently a volcanic crater. Beneath it the mountain was much broken into cragged points, and to appearance rocky half way down, forming drains or sillures, which exhibited various coloured earths, cinders, pumice stones,

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and fulphurous matter. The fliore of the ifland was tkirted with rocks; but well clothed with wood, even half way up the mountain.

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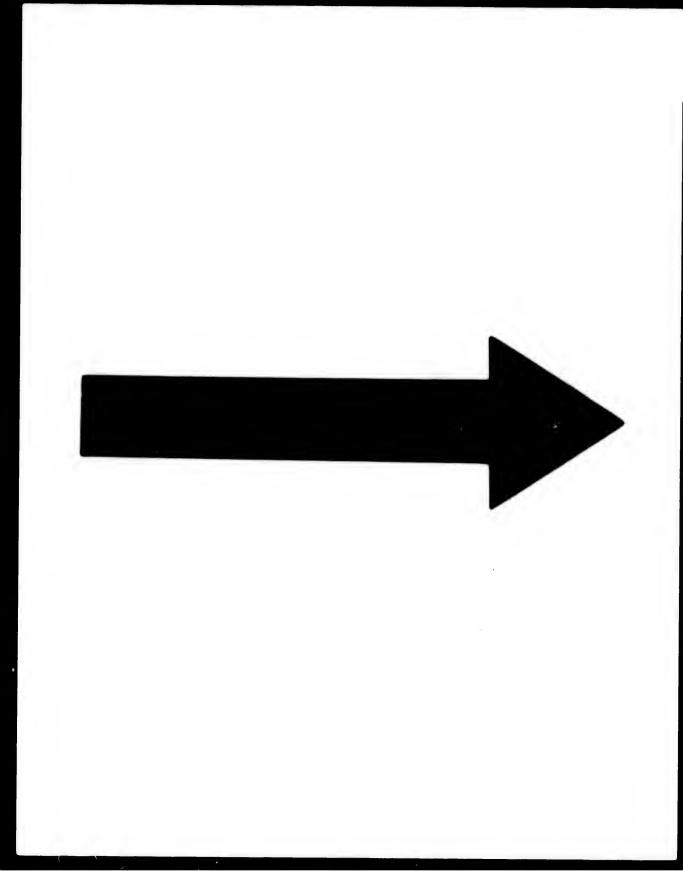
The woods were diverlified with pine trees; and the verdure on the land gave it an agreeable profpect from the fea, the bare parts of the mountain being generally obscured by the clouds,

As we opened the paffage between the iflands we observed some houses, to which our visitors returned; and we flood over for the other ifland, but calms during the night prevented our approaching it; and in the morning we had heavy rains, with a firoug wind from the N. E. quarter. At noon Tec-shee bore from N. 63° E. to S. 76° E.; and Timo-shee, S. 55° E. three leagues.

Tacked, in hopes of weathering the ifland of Teethee, which at 7 h. bore from S. 50° E. to East. It extends about four leagues in a N. by E. and S. by W. direction, very moderate in elevation when compared with Timo-shee. It rifes abruptly from the fea in rocky cliffs. The northern part is low and very rocky. On the fouth part we faw fome habitations. The paffage dividing thefe iflands is to appearance free  $\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{p}$ 

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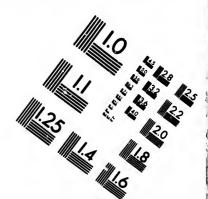
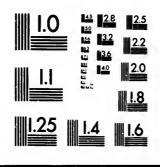


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from all danger, running in a N. E. and S. W. line of direction. At midnight the ifland bore to the South of us about two leagues. Soon after, the wind failed us; and we had light airs from the eaftward, which prevented our approach to Infoo. We therefore tacked and flood to the North: and at 5 A. M. we faw an island bearing N. by E.; and the north extreme of Infoo, S. 72° E. feven or eight leagues. At noon the wind increased, with cloudy weather: Timo-shee Peak, S. 8° E. twelve leagues; Tu-fhee, S. 2° to 12° W.; the north extreme of the island of Infoo, just visible, S. 50° E.; and in the direction of N. 60° E. we just differenced more land: ifland to the North, N. 13° E. I make the latitude of the N. W. point of Infoo 45° 25' N., and the longitude 141° 27' E.; leaving between it and the discovered land an extensive strait, which the wind prevented our entering.

To the South of what is supposed to be the N. W. point of Insoo, between 45° 15′ N. and 45° N., we could not diftinguish the coast. It is therefore probable this may be only an island; and the Japanese chart seems to confirm it. The wind prevented me clearing up this point. These remarks are since our being to the North.

At half past, the new land set at noon extended from N. 38° E. to S. 85° E.; centre of North Itland, N. 20° W.; Timo-flice, S. 8° W.; Tu-flice, S. 20° W. September about twelve leagues.

CHAP. oth.

Moderate weather throughout the night.

We layed to till day-light.

Made fail; the extremes bearing from N. 20° E. to S. 69° E. fix leagues.; North Island, N. W. four leagues. By noon we were within three miles of the land, when it extended from N. 25° E. to S. 20° E. eight or ten leagues, the fouth extreme; the island, S. 64° W. to S. 70° W. fix or feven leagues. Very pleafant weather, and a fteady wind. As the Japanefe, in their chart, make an extensive island to the North of Infeo, I conjectured this to be the fame land. The fouthern part of it is rather high, but in general very moderate in elevation. I place the fouth part in 46° N. latitude, and 141° 37' E. longitude. The ifland laying off this part of the coast was high and woody, but of no extent. It lays in the latitude of 46° 17' N., five or fix leagues, in the direction of S. 50° W. from Village Point, which bore N. 25° E.

from us at noon. As the wind prevented our passing to the eastward of this coast, and examining the straits, which I suppose to divide it from Insoo, we were obliged to range it on the western side; and at noon continued our course to the north-eastward, for that purpose.

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At half paft 6 h. the extremes of land bore from S. 15° E. to N. 15° E.; a round hill, N. 36° E.; and the ifland, S. 32° W., off flore four or five miles.

Cloudy weather.

At half pair 17 h. tacked. The land bore from N. 26° E. to S. 2° E. Tacked again. Round Hill, S. 45° E., four or five miles off there.

Light airs and calms. Round Hill, S. 28° E.: the extremes preferved the fame bearing; and we were two or three miles off fhore. Soon after noon we paffed the north extreme: to the South of it were feveral feattered houses. The land tended to the northward, bold and cliffy, of moderate elevation, swelling into rising grounds, well clothed with wood and verdure. The coast was straight and uniform

in appearance, and nothing remarkable but the Round Hill.

CHAP. V. 1797. September 10th.

Fresh breezes from the land; and we stood to the North, as the wind permitted. At 6 h. the extremes, North, making low land, bore N. 40° E.; and the Round Hill, making the fouth extreme, N.26° E., three or four leagues off shore.

The night was fqually, and we began to feel the weather very cold.

The land extended from N. 15° E. to S. 15° E.; and a confpicuous high mountain bore N. 37° E., four or five leagues from the land a-breaft of us, which appeared very low; and in fome parts we could not differ any land. We hauled up in fhore till we perceived the coaft connected by low land, well wooded; nor could we observe any openings whatever. At 20 h. we steered to pass without the low extreme, north point, which at noon bore N. 20° E. three or four leagues; the other extremes, S. 55° E.: but the more distant land was obscured by the haze. The mountain bore N. 51° E. The coast we passed

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BOOK II. 1797. September 11th. in the night was more indented than ufual, but did not promife any flielter.

At 2 h. we passed the low point, making the extreme at noon. It is the only part we have yet seen making a point. It projects out with a gradual descent from the high land, terminating very low. It is fituated in the latitude of 48° 46′ N., and longitude 141° 32′ E.

At 7 h. we hauled off for the night; and at midnight we had firong breezes and hazy weather, when we wore and brought to the wind till day-light, our fituation being the fame as laft night: the extremes bearing S. 5° E. to N. E. At 20 h. a fugarloaf hill, S. 84° E. The coaft ftill preferved a northerly direction; but our view was much limited by the haze. At noon the Sugar-loaf, making the extreme, South; north extreme, N. 9° E., two or three miles off shore.

Squally and dark gloomy weather.

The high round mountain to the S. E. of the low point, which we passed in the afternoon, makes this part

part eafily known. To the fouthward of it the land is of moderate elevation; but to the northward, remarkably high, and rifing abruptly from the fea. Inland, the mountains were fill more elevated: many of them clothed with wood up to their funmits. The fhore continued bold, and prefented no dangers to obfiruct our navigation. We could not differ any openings, or the finallest appearance of the coast being inhabited.

CHAP. V. 1797. September.

I could not reconcile the extent of this land with the island North of Insoo, in the Japanese chart; neither did it continue the same easterly direction: however, to clear up the matter, we had only to continue our course, keeping well in with the land. The land to the West we could only conclude to be the coast of Tartary; but the extent of the land we had now traced up for 4½ of latitude we could not all comprehend. Nor had we any books or charts to clear up our doubts, except Cook's third voyage, which only tended to confuse us: I mean in those extracts relating to the voyage of the Castricom and Breskes, where he supposes the former fell in with the eastern coast of Tartary, when De Vries imagined they were exploring the land of Jeso up to 49° N.

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Our doubts were now partly cleared up at noon; and we began to suspect, from the appearance of the low lands, and our decreasing foundings, (with our northern latitude), that we were not likely to get to sea, from our present situation, without returning to the South.

The extremes from N. 30° E. to S. E., two leagues off thore. The land very, high and uneven.

At half past 9 h, we hauled off for the night, having dark gloomy weather and heavy rain; and at 9 h, we brought to under low fail.

Variable weather, with light airs and calms.

At half past 17 h. the land extended from N. 22° E. to S. 18° E. five or fix leagues; and at the same time, we saw more land bearing N. 78° W., just visible from the deck. I conceived this land to be the coast of Tartary. The forenoon was calm and clear weather, which enabled us, for the first time this moon, to observe distances. The land to the West preserved much the same appearance; the north extreme, terminating low towards the sea, bore N. 24°

N. 24° E., five or fix leagues diftant. At noon the fouth extreme, S. 14° E.; and a very remarkable peaked hill near the fea, S. 64° E.; a break in the land, S. 40° E.; the coast of Tartary, from N. 71° W. to S. 80° W. about 12 or 15 leagues. No current have we yet experienced.

CHAP. V. 1797. August.

## CHAP. VI.

Impracticability of getting to Sea by the Northward.—Determination of returning.—Remarkable Haziness of the Atmosphere.

BOOK II. 1797. September 13th. C<sub>ALM</sub>, and fair weather. 4 h. Light breezes.

Extremes of Tartary, from N. 55° W. to S. 80° W.; and the point which terminated the land to the northward at noon, N. 35° E.; fouth extreme, S. 16° E.

Fine moon-light. As we supposed we were at the extent of the eastern land, we hauled our wind till day-light; for we still imagined it to be an island. We saw the peaked hill bearing S. 27° E.: and the eastern coast still extended to the North, our distance from it three or four leagues. In the morning the wind increased to a strong breeze, with squally weather.

As we run to the North the coast became gradually lower, always terminating in low points; and the interior land was bare of wood. We faw no double September. land, which gave us reason to imagine we were near its extremity: and indeed the extent of this land was much greater than we could suppose the Japanese island to be, as laid down in their chart. Our foundings gradually decreased to 11 fathoms; and we hauled over for the western land. At noon a low fandy point bore N. 15° E.; the extreme of the coast of Tartary, N. 30° W.; a round hill, West; and the extreme, W. S. W. Our distance from the east shore two or three leagues.

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Fresh breezes and very squally. In standing towards the western land we had regular foundings, which decreased as we approached it: and the wind veering to the West, we came to an anchor in nine fathoms, four leagues from the land; the round hill bearing S. 64° W., making the extreme to the West.

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Extreme of the eastern shore, S. 23° E. Sea open between North and N. 30° E.; the points being very low land.

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We got under way at day-light and stood to the North, decreasing our water to three sathoms, when we tacked, and soon after came to in sour sathoms, hard sand. The round hill, S. 58° W.; a conic hill, N. 50° W. From N. 15° E. to N. 53° E. we saw no land; but from thence a continuation of very low land, just appearing above the water. Extreme of west land, S. 48° W.; east extreme, S. 30° E.; nearest land, W. 10° S. about three miles. The shore a-breast of us rose abruptly from the sen, rocky and barren. The top of the cliss were partially wooded, as was the conic hill, which made it conspicuous.

The morning was moderate and very pleafant weather: and the moment we and ored, the master was dispatched with the boat to examine the coast about the conic hill, which seemed likely to afford some shelter for the vessel.

By observations for the longitude taken on the 11th, 12th, and 14th of September, and reduced by the watch to the anchorage, being the mean of 27 sets of lunar distances by myself, Mr. Chapman, &c.

will flew, - - O and D \* and D, 141° 14' 17" E.

The distances were East and West of By watch, - 141° 47' 20"

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The master returned at dark, and reported his having rowed round the point which bore N. 10° E., when he entered a bay which took a westerly direction September. at the back of the come hill, about three or four miles deep. In the entrance they had five fathoms, but the wind blowing firong they did not examine to the head; and it was entirely open to the eastward. The fouth point, and indeed the whole of the land which formed the bay, was composed of white and reddift coloured rocks, fo steep as to prevent their landing. The head of the bay was low, and whole appearance extremely barren, only presenting a few foxtail pinetrees of a finall growth upon the hills, and no figns whatever of any habitations; neither could they observe any rise and fall by the shore. In going in after passing a bank of three fathoms, they had deepened their water from four to eight fathoms, and the master conceived the passage to the North was pretty evident. I cannot fay I was of the same opinion, but to clear up all doubts we got under way at daylight, and after making a tack we flood to the North. At noon the fouth point of the bay bore N. 6° W. fix or feven miles, and the conic hill N. N. W. Our foundings for the last hour were only 31 and 3 fathoms. The wind was moderate, and we had fine fmooth water.

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BOOK II. 1797. September. 16th.

Our foundings still decreasing to less than two fathoms, when it became expedient to tack. At this time we plainly difcerned very low land extending over the N. E. part of what the master had conceived might be a passage leading to the sea: the nearest part bore from us N. E. by E. three or four miles, and from thence to North within the fouth point of Chapman's Bay (fo named from the master) was a continuation of fand banks partly dry, with fome of them just appearing by riplings upon the furface. We were now fully convinced there was no opening to fea in this direction, the whole being closed by low land, which we could plainly diffinguish at intervals; behind the low land at a confiderable distance we observed some high land in a N. E. direction. If any river empties itself into this bay, I should suppose it very inconfiderable, as we had no appearance of any tide, nor any figns to lead us to suspect there were any rivers on the coast. As the master had represented the bay unfavourable, even supposing we could get there, which I deemed from the shallow water leading to it impracticable, without great risk of the vessel; and there being no prospect of any inhabitants to get information of, respecting the country, induced me to lofe no more time, as the equinoxes were approaching, but proceed to the fouthward, down the gulph we

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were at prefent fo totally embayed in, before the bad weather could materially affect us.

CHAP. VI. 1797. September.

We kept our wind; and at half past 2 h. we were in our old anchorage, having run fix miles, and gradually increased our water from two to four fathoms.

We tacked within two or three leagues of the shore. The land in this part was indented, and a small rocky island lay off it. The wind veering to East, we hauled off to increase our distance from the land. The night was very squally, and we had a great deal of lightning and rain; and fortunately for us, as the gale increased, it came more northerly. At 14 h. we brought to the wind till day-light, when we bore up with a fresh gale and continual rain. The eastern land was seen till near noon, when we lost sight of the peaked hill, bearing East; and then discovered the western coast, extending at noon from 60° W. to N. 80° W. three or four leagues.

Hard fandy bottom: and purfuing our course to the southward, we increased to 15 sathoms at 6 h. 30 m., when the conic hill bore N. 8° E.; and the round hill, S. 70° W., three or sour leagues off shore. The night was moderate. A calm in the morning brought

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brought the wind from the fouthward. At 18 h. we had 25 fathoms muddy bottom, the Round Hill bearing N. 72° W. From the hill the land projects to the East, and presents a range of steep, rocky cliss. To the north and fouth of it the land is level and uniform, and much indented, but we faw no appearance of any openings. At noon the East coast extended from N. 86° E. to S. 40° E. 10 or 12 leagues.

Land about our anchorage to the N. N. 6° E. Round Hill N. 53° W. South extreme of west coast S. 29° E. three or four leagues. 27 fathoms clayey bottom.

18th.

Strong gales and very hazy weather, with a large fea.

At 1 h. we brought to under a low fail, as we could not fee any thing of the land. At 5 h. it cleared away, and the land extended from North to S. W. by S. four or five leagues. Soon after we bore up and ficered for it till dark, when it was diftant two leagues; and we brought to: the wind was more moderate, and gradually abated towards midnight, when it again fprung up from the eastward, and we made fail to clear the land. At 17 h. 30 m. the land was feen

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from N. to S. W.: nearest part, West, two leagues, high and rugged.

CHAP. VI. 1797. September.

The wind increased to a fresh gale in the morning, with squally, cold, and unpleasant weather. At times we could distinguish high land on the eastern shore, but very impersectly. At 22 h. the obscurity of the weather induced us to bring to; and at 23 h., it clearing away, we again steered to the South. At noon we had fresh gales, with hazy threatening weather, and heavy showers of rain. The land was just discernible to the W.S. W., four or sive leagues distant. Some albatrosses were seen.

The wind having increased to a hard gale, with very heavy squalls and a large sea, we layed to under a low sail. At 5 h. we saw the land through the haze, from North to S. W. by S.; and the weather being more moderate we bore away, steering a course parallel with the coast. At 6 h. the south extreme bore S. 48° W.; high land a-breast of us, West, about sive or six leagues. At 8 h. we brought to. The gale, after sunset, subsided; and at 16 h. it was calm, with a good deal of swell, and sine clear weather.

19th.

## A VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY

BOOK II. September At 17 h. the extremes, being the fame feen last evening, extended from N. 5° W. to S. 56° W. four or five leagues. We also perceived the high mountain on the east coast.

Light breezes, and very pleasant evening.

At noon the west coast, from N. 42° W. to S. 64° W.; and the mountain on the opposite, N. 82° E. 14 leagues. Aired the schooner with fires.

20th.

At 1 h. having remarked the eastern coast sufficiently, with which view we had before tacked it the morning: to make it distinctly, we now stood for the western coast. At 6 h. the south extreme bore S. 68° W., terminating in a hill of a conic shape; north extreme, N. 28° W. four or sive leagues. The land a-breast of us presented much the same inhospitable aspect we had observed up the gulph to the North.

In the night we had a swell from the S. E. quarter, with dark, gloomy, threatening weather; and in the morning we had an increase of wind, with some rain. Tacked at 16 h. At 17 h., the wind veering to the East, we bore away; the high mountain on the east coast bearing from us due East. At 20 h. the west

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fide of the land bore N. W.: and the wind veering more northerly, brought with it fresh gales and rainy weather, which entirely obscured the land; and we september. had every profpect of an approaching gale of wind. We reduced our fail accordingly, and increased our distance from the supposed direction of the west coast, which we had only feen imperfectly in the morning. We had no foundings these 24 hours.

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Strong gales, with heavy rain and frequent fqualls. Judging we were fufficiently clear of the land, I thought it most prudent to bring to, with our heads to eastward. At funfet it blew a very fevere gale, with conftant rain; and we remained laying to under a close-reefed mainfail, with a very heavy sea. Every hour, during the night, feemed to add force to the wind, which blew with uncommon violence; and the weather was dark and gloomy to a degree, fo much fo that we could not fee beyond the veffel. We had only to hope the land continued a fouth-westerly direction, as we could not carry any fail to escape it, fliould it for us unfortunately tend to the South of S. S. W. Our little veffel made very good weather; for though the fpray of the fea blew conftantly over us, we did not ship any quantity of water. At 14 h. we were very happy to find the gale abating; and by R R 2 16 h.

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16 h. we were enabled to carry fome fails: the wind also veered to S. S. E., and we had a confused broken fea.

At day-light we faw the land from the North to W. 5° S. about five leagues. In the morning the wind fhifted to S. S. W., and we had very fevere fqualls, which fplit most of our fails. It foon after became calm; and we were left to the mercy of a most irregular fea, breaking in every direction. The weather obscured the land; and at noon we had light breezes from the N. E. quarter.

Variable and threatening weather, with showers of rain, and the same consused swell. Having split all our fails, except the fore-topsails, in the gale, we were busily employed repairing with the remaining suit. The haze prevented our seeing the land; and at 10 h. the wind veering to the S. W., we stood off the remainder of the night.

Variable winds, which at last settled in the N.W. quarter, and blew a fresh breeze. At 17 h. 30 m. the land extended from N.W. to S. 80° W.; and at 20 h. we saw it bearing S.W. by W. To the North it was high and broken, with bare rocky projections: the

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more level parts of the coast were of a brownish appearance, and covered with pine trees. At noon we had light airs and fine weather. The coast extended September. from N. 12° W. to S. 65° W. about five leagues. To the N. W. there appeared a fmall opening; or perhaps, the land being indented, it might be a bay, which our distance prevented there being any certainty of; and it was directly to windward. We had no foundings.

CHAP.

Light breezes and cloudy, with a fouthern fwell. We steered in the direction of the coast; but the haze prevented our diftinguishing any thing particular in the land, from which we were diftant four or five leagues. At 6 h. the fouth extreme, making a high hill, bore S. 70° W. fix or eight leagues; and we hauled more off the land.

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The night was fqually and rainy, with a great deal of lightning, which brought the wind to the fouthward. At 14 h. we flood to the eastward.

Heavy fqualls of wind, and a large fwell, fplit the jib. By noon we had clear weather, which gave us a diffinct view of the land, extending from West to N. 35° W., diftant 10 or 12 leagues.

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BOOK II. Light winds from the land.

1797. September 24th.

Squally weather. We kept close to the wind, expecting to get well in with the land in the morning.

Fresh breezes and clear weather. Towards noon the wind veered to N. W., and we were unable to approach the land within five leagues. It made high in parts; and the sides of the hills were perfectly bare, and destitute of any verdure. The extremes at noon, from N. 14° W. to S. 80° W.; Round Hill, set yesterday noon, N. 35° W.

We were this day to the fouthward of the eastern point, which forms the entrance of the gulph, in the latitude of 46° 0′ North; and in which parallel of latitude it is about 60 leagues acros, and runs up North and South 120 leagues. I named it the Gulph of Tartary. It is possible there may be some openings that have escaped our notice in such an extent; and if any, probably on the western side, which the bad weather prevented our making too free with on some days; and when fair, the wind was contrary. Excepting on the east point we saw no habitations whatever; nor had we any reason to suppose the sea coast

was inhabited. In general I have found in all countries, wherever they are in abited, particularly in remote ones, the finoke of fires is always vifible, and September. univerfally made whenever strange vessels appear, as fignals of alarm, or to awaken their curiofity; and I think it most likely no vessel ever appeared in these feas before, to excite their admiration.

CHAP.

The feafon being too far advanced to permit our passing through the straits which divide the land of Infoo from Tartary, and proceeding up to Sakuleen Island, agreeable to my first intentions, and from thence more fully examining the Kurile Islands, and afterwards to continue exploring the Corean coast to the Yellow Sea. This plan being rendered abortive by the unfortunate loss of his Majesty's ship Providence, and the want of provisions in the schooner, induced me to prefer the continuation of the coast of Corea, as the most eligible. For even on the supposition of succeeding in my researches to the North, I had every reason to be assured the westerly winds would prevent my repassing the straits of Infoo, and of course the Corean coast would be left unexamined. I therefore continued our course to the fouthward.

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I began also to conceive Captain King was right in his conjectures concerning the Dutch thips having coafted the eastern fide of Tartary, from 45° North to 49° North, without knowing it to be fuch. I only regretted we had not with us Jansen's map of their It however appears very evident that discoveries. the land called Efo by the Dutch navigator, which I believe implies Efau, or the land of hairy men, and which the natives call Infoo, as well the Japanefe we faw as before explained, is an ifland of very confiderable magnitude, extending from 41° 24' North to the latitude of 45° or 45° 25' North, and from 140° 0' East to 146° 22' East, being 70 leagues, in the parallel of 44° 30' North, wide; and which is not its greatest breadth. We saw nothing of the northern part; but as we faw no land between 45° 25' North and 46° North, will leave an extensive strait between it and the peninfula of the coast of Tartary: or, should the land before mentioned, in 45° 25' North, prove to be an island, which I imagine to be the case, there will still be a clear channel remaining between it and the land of Infoo, as exhibited in the Japanefe chart, which accompanies this journal.

It appears manifestly the mistake of De Vries, in imagining the land he fell in with, in 45° North, to

be the land of Efo, and which, according to the weather, he might eafily suspect; as in the connection of lands we are frequently deceived, and find openings and channels where none were expected. For instance: in the straits of Matzmai, where the island of Insoo is divided from Japan by a passage not sive leagues wide; and the north point of Japan is seven miles North of Matzmai town, and ten miles North of the south point of Insoo, which, on entering the straits from the westward, makes it appear as if there was no passage between them, the points being shut in with each other.

CHAP. VI. 1797. September.

Tacked and flood in for the land against a most unpleasant head sea. At 5 h. 30 m., the wind again coming to the West, we stood to the S. W.; the land at the time extending from N. by W. ½ W. to W. by S.

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Fresh breezes throughout the night, with a confused sea, that drove us bodily to leeward. The land continued the same direction and distance; and the wind and sea together prevented our nearer approach to it.

At noon the land extended from N. 25° W. to N. 75° W.; high broken land, N. W. feven or eight september. leagues.

Tacked and flood for the land.

Stood off for the night; the land extending from N. 25° W. to S. 80° W.

Calm and hazy weather.

Light airs: foon left us.

Fresh breezes and gloomy weather, with rain. We steered for the outer extremity of the coast, which at noon appeared extending from the North to N. 85° W.; an opening or bay, N. 66° W. six leagues. The north extreme was the high broken land.

Fresh breezes and dark gloomy weather, and very squally.

We drew in with the land, which was almost obficured by the clouds; and at 6 h. the south extreme, making in hummocks, bore S. 85° W.; between it and

and a hilly point, bearing N. 85° W. The coast receded, and was in that part very low; but ftill the whole of the coast appeared to us closely connected, September. particularly the opening we had remarked at noon. The land was much broken, forming hills and vallies, very defolate to our view; and we were four or five leagues from the flore.

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At 11 h. we hauled upon a wind under a low fail; and at day-light we made fail: the land extending from N. 5° E. to S. 79° W. In the morning we had very firong breezes and fair weather; and we frequently passed quantities of coarse grass. At noon the fouth extreme, forming a high hill from which fome low land projected, bore S. 84° E. five or fix leagues; very high broken land, N.W. by W. four leagues; the extreme to the northward, N. 5° E.

Since the last observation the current has set us S. 20° E. 26 miles.

At half past 1 h, the wind coming to the S. W. permitted us to ftand in for the land. At funfet we were close in, but we could get no foundings with 90 fathoms. We could not perceive the fmalleft appearance of any openings, nor any thing to lead us

BOOK II. 1797. September. to suppose the coast being inhabited. The land prefented a rugged and rocky shore, with a few trees scattered upon the ridges of the hills. These hills were of little elevation, near the sea, forming abruptly at unequal distances; but the interior land made very high. The extremes, when we tacked, bore from N. N. E. to W. S. W.

The night was moderate, and the wind being fleady from the S. W. and W. S. W., we unavoidably increased our distance from the coast, which was seen very indistinctly in the morning to the N. W.

29th.

Fresh breezes and hazy weather.

9 h. Tacked, and flood to the westward.

12 h. Moderate weather, with a heavy dew falling equal to finall rain.

18 h. Light breezes and very hazy.

24 h. Very cloudy weather. No fight of land.

30th.

Moderate breezes and very cloudy: the atmosphere entirely obscured. At half past 4 h, we saw the land to the N. W.

7 h. The extremes of land, from N. 10° W. to N. 80° W., making in deteched hills. The fun fetting very clear gave us a diffinct view of it, at feven or eight

eight leagues' diffance. We tacked for the night CHAP. at 6 h. 30 m.

12 h. Light winds, with gentle flowers.

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18 h. Foggy weather, which towards noon cleared away with the northerly wind; but it ftill remained very hazy.

22 h. Small land birds and feveral gulls feen.

24 h. Fresh breezes. No land in fight.

Moderate breezes and hazy weather.

October

5 h. Light breezes.

12 h. Light airs.

18 h. Calm weather. We diftinguished the land bearing N. by W. At 20 h. we had light airs from the fouthward, with mild weather, which permitted the performance of divine fervice. At noon the land bore from N. 10° E. to N. 22° W. eight leagues.

Light winds and very finooth water carried us towards the land, which tended to the westward. We also passed quantities of coarse grass.

The land extended from N. 33° E. to N. 23° W. about fix leagues. The night was calm and cloudy. 12 h. Light airs.

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BOOK II. 1797. October. 18 h. Pleafant breezes from the eaftward. The land, from N. 42° E. to N. 35° W. Low land appeared near the 1ea, and very high mountains well wooded at the back. We purfued our course in the direction of the shore, which at noon extended from N. 42° E. to N. by W. six or seven leagues, and the appearance of more land to the N. W.; but it was so dark and hazy in that direction, we could not well distinguish. The wind a sine breeze.

Moderate breezes and hazy. We still continued our course to the westward, in the direction of the coast, which was generally obscured from our view by the haze over it. At 6 h. we could only see a small part bearing N. N. E. six or seven leagues; and the wind veered to the North, with squally and rainy weather. The atmosphere extremely gloomy.

At 10 h. 30 m. hauled our wind, and hove to under a low fail. Wore ship.

17 h. Made fail, with a ftrong wind and a confufed fea.

In the morning we still passed quantities of coarse grass, and were visited by many land birds. Large slocks

flocks of geefe flew over us from the N. W., going to the fouthward. At noon we had firong breezes and hazy weather: we could just differ the land to the N. W., though very faintly. By the observation, we had been set 24 miles to the South of account; and by the current we had experienced, and the coarse grass we had seen, I imagine some river to empty itself into the sea in this part of the coast. The strong northerly wind prevented our course being more northerly, and of course approaching the land in the direction I wished.

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Light winds and fair weather, but uncommonly hazy to 15° above the horizon, which prevented our observing any objects distinctly upon the land. We steered as the coast inclined, till the wind came to the S. E., and afterwards to the S. W., which was immediately opposite to our course.

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The white rock fet at noon as we opened; it made a clufter of different fizes: and at 6 h. the rocky head bore N. 30° E.; and the fouthern extreme, S. 75° W. An opening, in the direction of N. 15° W.: the fouth point, forming double land, was four or five leagues diffant.

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The night was clear, and pleafant weather; but our wind carried us from the land, which at noon was feen through the haze, 12 or 13 leagues diffant to the S. W.

5th. Fresh breezes and very hazy weather. Soon after noon we saw very high mountainous land to the west-ward.

The extremes of the coast extended from S. 30° W. to N. 10° E. In the angle formed by two high points, bearing N. 35° W. and S. 58° W., the land receded very considerably; and within the 58° point there seemed to be a small opening in the low land. All the interior mountains were of great magnitude; and the coast tended to the southward, in which direction we shaped our course for the night, having sine clear moon-light. At day-light the land extended from S. 10° W. to S. 80° W.; a rocky point, N. 87° W. two or three leagues. To the North of the point, the coast was straight and uniformly high and rocky; and South of it the land sell back, and was not so elevated near the sea, but equally barren in appearance.

pearance. The rocky point rofe abruptly from the fea, in horizontal firata of a white and red colour; and the higher parts were wooded in patches. We faw no figns of the country being inhabited: indeed every part of it prefented a most uncomfortable prospect. At noon we passed a white rock, much broken into eraggy points: it is detached about three leagues from the shore, and bore of us N. 43° W. five or fix miles. The extremes bore from N. 10° E. to S. 70° W. four or five leagues distant. No foundings with 90 fathoms

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## CHAP. VII.

Off the Island of Tzima, situated between the Coasts of Corca and Japan.—Arrival at Chosan on the Corcan Coast.—Description of its Harbour—Inhabitants—Soil—Cultivation—Produce, &c.—Anxiety of the Natives for our Departure.—Observations for Longitude, &c.

BOOK II. 1797. October 6th. FRESH breezes and fair weather, but the same haze still remained. We could just discern the high land to the N. W., and at 6h. the extremes of the Corean coast extended from N. to N. 75° W. seven or eight leagues. More land appeared to the S. W., when we stood to the S. E. during the night.

Moderate weather: flood in flore.

Hazy weather.

Saw the land to the N.W. At noon the coast extended from N. to N. 40° W. seven leagues, and from S. 26° W. to S. 36° W.

Fresh breezes and pleasant weather.

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Fresh breezes and hazy weather; as we approached the shore we found the lands set at noon were connected, forming between the points an extensive bay. At sunset we tacked in the bay, the extremes bearing from South to N. 22° E.; but we had no soundings with 50 fathoms. The losty mountains we had before remarked, seemed to terminate on the north side of the bay, and in a W. N. W. direction the coast fell back, leaving a small bay within, which most probably assorbed good anchorage from the appearance of the shores.

The fouthern land rofe in hummocks to a tolerable elevation.

The wind was moderate and steady all night, in the morning it veered to the westward. Land at noon extended from S. 12° W. to N. 82° W. A saddle hill S. 67° W. five or fix leagues. This hill is the fouth extremity of the extensive bay which was set last evening bearing South. Very pleasant weather, but variable. This bay abounded in whales, and we could not reach the bottom with all our line.

Light airs, with calm and cloudy weather. 6 h. Light winds.

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Inclining to calms. 12 h.

Gentle breezes. 18 h.

Our fituation nearly the fame as yesterday.

A peaked mount S. 27° W.; extreme S. 12° W. Saddle Hill S. 67° W. about five leagues the centre.

Light breezes, with dark gloomy weather.

 $\Lambda$  peaked hill South of the Saddle Hill bore S. 48° W. fix or feven leagues.

The wind having veered to the westward, brought with it fine clear weather. Strong breezes and fqually.

'The peaked hill bore of us N. 71° W.; and the extreme S. 12° W. four leagues off fhore.

We steered throughout the morning in the direction of the coast, with a strong gale and fine weather, keeping at two or three leagues distance. At noon the land extended from S. 15° W. to N. 38° W. extreme fet at 6 h. A. M. bore from us N. 51° W.; and we were five or fix miles from the land. The coast afforded a most barren prospect, the hills were much

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much broken into ridges, forming chafms in their floping fides towards the fea: we faw no appearance of any openings.

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We ranged the coast at the same distance sour or sive miles; we observed nothing to particularise, the land assording the same uniform appearance of moderate height, and rather cliffy near the sea. At sunset the extremes bore from S. 18° W. to N. 38° W., and we hauled our wind for the night. In the evening the gale moderated, and during the night we had a great swell, which in the morning had nearly subsided.

The land preferved the fame bearings as last evening, but the wind veering to the W. S. W. towards noon, prevented our approaching within two leagues. It extended at noon from S. 14° W. to N. 14° W. The fouth extreme making a low point.

Still throughout the afternoon we were prefented with the same barren view, except the variation of a yellowish earth mixed with the heath and coarse grass that covered the hills. At 5 h. 30 m. the land extended from S. 33° W. to N. 30° W., and the low point set at noon as the south extreme bore S. 45° W.

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BOOK II. 1797. October. S. 45° W. To the North of this point is a deep bay or opening which the winds prevented our afcertaining; it bore S. 61° W. feven leagues. The wind remained fixed in the western quarter, blowing strong at times in squalls. At 18 h. the land was seen from N. 65° W. to S. 65° W., and at noon from N. 47° W. to S. 65° W. Some white cliffs west seven or eight leagues.

The extremes of Corea from N.47° W. to N. 85° W. eight or ten leagues.

Moderate breezes and clear weather, the wind vecring to the N. W. quarter.

Before day-light we faw the land to the S. W., which proved to be the island of Tzima, situated between Nipon and the Corean coast. The coast of Corea, N. 33° W. to N. 50° W. nine leagues. The island Tzima was seen from S. 44° W. to W. four or sive leagues; and a small high island, visible only from the rigging, S. 24° E. ten or twelve leagues by estimation. At half past 21 h. we tacked close in with the island, the north point bearing N. 68° W. three or four miles. Some rocks are without this point. Early in the morning we perceived the island to be inhabited, by their lighting sires in every part. This was a grateful.

a grateful fight, and what we had been long unaccustomed to on the coast of Tartary. We also saw four Japanese junks working to the westward, under the land. The island was of moderate elevation, with some high land in the centre of it. The vallies were cultivated, and woods were thinly scattered over the hills. The coast on the east side was very rocky; and the surface on the shore with great violence.

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At noon the north point bore N. 88° W. three or four miles; high rocks, furrounded by an extensive reef, and much broken, N. 75° W. five miles; extreme of island, S. 20° W.; point forming a small bay, S. 30° W. 2½ miles: the coast of Corea, from N. 15° W. to N. 83° W. nine or ten leagues: and we had 22 fathoms, coral bottom.

13th.

Moderate breezes and fair weather, with a fwell from the North. The wind came from the fame quarter, and we were able to weather the ifland, having a ftrong current in our favour, fetting against the wind and fwell. From the north point the ifland tends in the direction of S. 60° W. fix or eight miles; and from thence to the S. S. W. fome finall ifles lay off the north point, leaving a paffage between them and the reef, through which channel the junks went.

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At I h. the reef bore S. 56° W. two miles; and we had unequal foundings, with a great fea in this fituation, occasioned by the overfalls and strong current. After running in the direction of N. 41° W. 22 miles from 1 h., we were well over on the Corean coast: the extremes extending from N. 20° E. to S. 67° W.; an opening, to the N. W. about three miles; and the itland of Tzima, from South to S. 23° E. eight or nine The night was moderate, and we plied leagues. under eafy fail. At day-light we found the current had fet us confiderably to the E. N. E. We made fail to the westward. As we drew in with the land we observed several villages scattered along the shore. The coast was much broken, and appeared likely to afford fhelter; and the external view was not the most favourable, presenting rather an inhospitable prospect.

At noon we had dark gloomy weather, and our fituation with respect to the land the same as last evening. Two bays were open to us, bearing N.25° W. and N.65° W.; a rock, S.70° W.

14th.

Light breezes and rainy weather. Soon after noon we faw fome fishing boats, and prevailed upon one of them to come on board. By figns we understood the opening to the N.W. as most eligible, and we bore up for it. Off the north point of entrance we saw some stupendous black rocks detached some distance from the shore: we passed within half a cable's length of them, carrying 30 sathoms, muddy bottom; and gradually afterwards shoaled our water to 15, 10, and 5 sathoms.

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In the entrance on the fouth fide is a high rocky ifland. To the North of it is a fandy bay, where we observed a large village, and cultivations surrounding it; and to the westward, through the rain and mist, we saw several scattered rocks, which induced us to turn to windward for the sandy bay; and before dark we came to an anchor, in four sathoms water, sandy bottom, half a mile from the shore.

It continued raining without intermission till daylight, when we had fair and pleasant weather, with the wind from the N. W. quarter. The sea was open to us from the South to S. 25° E.; and in the angle we saw very distinctly the island of Tzima, at ten leagues distance.

Early in the morning we were furrounded by boats full of men, women, and children, whose curiosity had u u brought

BOOK II. 1797. October. brought them off to fee the strange vessel. They were universally cloathed in linen garments made into loose jackets and trowsers, quilted or doubled; and some of them were large loose gowns. The women had a short petticoat over their trowsers; and both sexes, linen boots, with fandals made of rice straw. The men were their hair in a knot tied up to the crown, and the women had theirs twisted and plaited rounds their heads.

The features and complexions of these people resembled the Chinese, particularly their small eyes; and in general all our visitors were extremely ordinary in their persons: but it is to be remembered there were no young women of the party; the semales being composed entirely of old women and children.

In the morning we went on filter in fearch of water, landing at the village for that purpose; and from thence one of the inhabitants conducted us to a fine run of water, most conveniently situated for our purpose. We were in want both of wood and water; but of the former article the country seemed very deficient. After taking some altitudes for the watch, and observing the distances for the longitude, we took a walk, attended by a numerous party of the villagers.

villagers. The harbour, we perceived, extended fome distance to the westward of the rocks we had noticed in coming in, and also to the N. E. and S. W. of them, terminating in finall bays that afforded fhelter from all winds. 'Many villages were feattered round the harbour; and in the N. W. part we observed a large town, encircled with stone walls, and battlements upon them. Several junks were laying in a bason near it, protected by a pier. Another mole or bason appeared to the S. W. of the other, near fome white houses of a superior construction, enclosed by a thick wood.

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The villages feemed to abound with people, and the harbour full of boats failing about on their dif-They were fimilar in figure, ferent avocations. though inferior in workmanship, to the Chinese boats; and like them made use of skulls and matted fails.

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As we came near another village they stopped and begged we would not proceed any farther; and we complied with their request. On our return we remarked feveral graves, which the natives had pointed out and explained to us: they were placed in an East and West direction, and the ground elevated over them.

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BOOK II. 1797. October, them. Trees were planted in a femi-circular form round most of them, and universally distinguished by fome stone work.

We got on board to dinner; and in the afternoon we were vifited by fome fuperior people, who came from up the harbour. They were dreffed in large loofe gowns, and were paid great deference to by the common people. They had on large black hats, with high crowns, manufactured with a strong gauze not unlike horse hair, very stiff and strong. They tied them under the chin; and these hats, serving as umbrellas, were three feet in diameter.

Each person carried a fan, with a small fillagree box attached to it, containing persume; and a knife handsomely mounted was fastened round their waist. A boy attended each of them, who had charge of their tobacco pipes; and whose occupation was to keep their dresses smooth. Most of them were their beards long.

Their inquiries feemed to tend to a knowledge of what brought us to their country; but I fear our replies gave them very little fatisfaction, as we could fo little comprehend each other. They were feemingly

ingly pleased with their reception, and soon after took leave of us.

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We went on shore to ascend the high land near us to the South, and from thence to take some bearings. Our view from the top was very extensive; and we saw distinctly over every part of the harbour. Our angles were however useless, the needle being so strongly affected as to point East instead of North, owing to some magnetic power in the mountain, which would not admit the needle pointing true in any situation. This hill was high and rocky; but the sides produced coarse grass, on which cattle were feeding; and in the lower parts, some paddy fields.

On our return on board in the evening we found the veffel crowded with vifitors, nor could we get rid of them till dark, and even with great difficulty, using almost violence to induce them to go into their boats. At last they went on shore.

Soon after dark we were furprized feeing these boats coming off from the shore, full of men, and very defirous to come on board. I did not chuse to permit them, and they came to an anchor along-side. As we were unacquainted with their intentions, their conduct

BOOK II. 1797. October. conduct appeared to us suspicious: and we prepared for the worst, having every body stationed at their quarters. In a short time a boat came to them from the shore with lights, which being distributed amongst the others, after some consultation, they took up their anchors and rowed on shore to the village.

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Fresh breezes and very pleasant weather from the N. W. quarter: the nights were cool and the days warm, having a clear sun. We had no boats off till after breakfast, when two came sull of visitors, dressed in a superior style to any we had yet seen. In each were some soldiers carrying small spears, that were as staffs to their colours, which were a blue sattin field, with their arms in yellow characters. The hats of the soldiers were decorated with peacock's scathers. They made me a present of salt sish, rice, and sea-weed (sucus sacharinus).

After many inquiries respecting us, we plainly saw they were extremely anxious for our departure, which I explained to them was impossible, as we were much in want of wood, water, and resressments. They immediately offered to send us any quantity of the former; but I could not persuade them to send any of the cattle we pointed out to them, grazing on the shore. As money appeared of no value, and we had no other means to induce them, we were under the necessity of bearing with the disappointment, of seeing daily what we could not procure.

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These great men were dressed in the same form as the others we had before seen, but their garments were much finer; and the outer one was of a light blue gauze or tissany.

Under their chins, as if tying their large black hats, they had a string of large beads, either agate, amber, or black wood, which was suspended in a bow over their right ears. Some of their hats were tipped with filver round the crown.

The attendants and those in office paid these menthe most submissive respect, always speaking and answering the questions put to them in a stooping posture, looking upon the deck.

It now occurred to me these people must have arrived after dark last evening, and were the same towhom we had resuled admittance, while our suspicious led.

BOOK II. 1797. October. led us to suppose they had some other view to gratify than mere curiosity, by coming so late.

The arrival of our new friends prevented our being troubled with fo many vifitors, much to our fatisfaction. But unfortunately the fame interdiction extended to our walking on fhore, but not fo much fo as to preclude our making aftronomical observations, or taking off water; yet the affemblage of people was fo great as to materially affect our operations, notwithstanding the military were fo stationed as to keep off the crowd, which they did at times most effectually, by exercising upon their persons large bamboo sticks.

In the afternoon they fent us water in jars and tubs, and took our casks with them afterwards, as a more expeditious way of supplying us, which were brought off in good order. A foldier constantly attended in these boats, who seemed to have the principal direction.

The night was moderate, and fair weather from the northward

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Fresh breezes and very squally from the N. E. quarter, with dark cloudy weather, which prevented our having much communication with the shore. Our friends, notwithstanding the violence of the wind, fent us both wood and water.

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The wind remained in the fame quarter, but more moderate; and in the afternoon we were vifited by deputies from the great men, to know if we had wood and water enough to permit our failing. I told them, it was not my intention to fail for three days. They were then defirous I should make it two days, which I would not agree to. After taking some refreshment, they went on shore to deliver the answer. The deputies were gayly and handsomely dressed; their outer garments being chiefly sea-green, light blue, and French grey, highly glazed; and the manusacture, of cotton, not very sine. They also were very neat leather slippers, ornamented with silver and golden spangles. They were assable and conversable men.

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We landed opposite the schooner, to observe the latitude; and instantly we had a military guard from the village, who attended to our motions till we returned on board. We were employed in the afternoon receiving wood and water.

Strong

BOOK II. 1797. October 18th. Strong breezes and cloudy weather from the N. E. quarter. Our friends were still employed bringing us water. Of wood we were already complete; it was all of the same fort, and what is called the fox-tail pine. Some of the logs were very 'arge timber, which gave us a great deal of trouble to cut and split. In the afternoon we had all our water on board: in confequence we had another deputation from our friends, who were made to understand I should stay two days longer to observe the sun.

In the evening the wind moderated; and the heavy clouds produced rain, which continued throughout the night.

19th.

Moderate breezes from the N. E., with constant rain. We had another deputation respecting our departure, equally unsuccessful with the others: for the rainy weather entirely prevented our taking any altitudes to regulate the going of our watch.

These people made use of parchment covers for their hats, to exclude the rain; and they had umbrellas of the same kind. The rain still continued without intermission, which induced me to make an excursion up the harbour, in hopes of not being molested. Our friends were not inattentive to our motions, for we soon perceived two boats in pursuit of us. They however did not join our party till we were returning; which the increasing bad weather induced me to do, without attending to their solicitations.

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We had moderate and very cloudy weather, and the rain had fubfided. Our friends came off in the morning, and ftrongly urged our departure; but not having feen the fun, we could not oblige them. The weather also remained unsettled; and there was a great fea in the offing, which caused a swell in the entrance of the harbour.

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They talked about our excursion in the boat yesterday, which they disapproved of, and explained that if we landed at the white houses up the harbour we should be very ill treated, if not put to death; and begged us not to go away in the boat any more. Soon after they landed; and, as if they still suspected our intentions, they immediately fent off four boats, having a soldier with their colours in each. I would not suffer them to come along-side, and they remained at anchor as guard-boats upon our bows and quarter. Towards the evening they left us to ourselves.

1797. October. felves. We only landed and took off fome water, to which they had no objections. The night was moderate and fair; and the heavy clouds gradually difperfed, leaving towards the morning a clear atmosphere.

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Fresh breezes and very pleasant weather. Before day-light I left the veffel, unperceived by our Corean guards, and proceeded up the harbour to complete a sketch of it. At day-light we saw sires near our village, which we supposed were fignals respecting the boat. We however, having landed on the fouthern fide, and continued examining that fide of the harbour, remained unperceived by them, as there were no habitations near us, and returned on board to breakfast. It appeared our absence had thrown the village into great confusion: boats were dispatched in every direction after us, but we had escaped them all. The morning was favourable, and we took our last altitudes. Soon after, we received a visit from one of our principal friends, who feemed particularly pleafed at our preparations for failing. I prefented him with a telescope and a pistol, the only articles he feemed defirous of poffeffing; and we parted with mutual fatisfaction. We foon after got under way, and made fail out of the harbour, to the great joy of our Corean friends, who were affembled in great numbers on the adjacent hills observing our departure. We felt ourselves much obliged by their supplies of wood and water, without expecting any thing in return.

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This harbour is called Thofan, or Chofan, by the inhabitants. It is fituated in the S. E. part of the coast of Corea, in the latitude of 35°2' N., and 129° 7' E. longitude; and bears S. S. E. and N. N. W. from the north part of the island of Tzima, at ten leagues' diffance. It has a fafe entrance, and no dangers to be apprehended on 'either shore. miles to the West of the black rocks, on the north side of entrance, is an abrupt high head-land, which I named Magnetic Head, from its affecting our compass needles. North of this head is a fine fandy bay, with good anchorage, where we remained during our flay, having the fea open for two points of the compafs, in which angle we faw diftinctly the itland of Tzima. The chart will best explain the harbour, which, without any pretentions to great accuracy, will answer every purpose to the navigator. It is the best our time, and the reftrictions we were under, enabled us to make: and to the sketch I refer for further particulars.

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1797. October. It will be observed how little opportunity we had to make any remarks upon the customs and manners of these people, from their avoiding as much as possible any intercourse with us. Indeed this treatment we have been universally accustomed to, both at the land of Insoo and the Lieuchieux islands. It appears by their behaviour they are by no means desirous of cultivating any intercourse whatever with strangers. They seemed to look upon us with great indifference, which I suppose was owing to the insignificancy of our vessel; or perhaps, their not comprehending what nation we belonged to, or what our pursuits were, made them solicitous for our departure, probably from a suspicion of our being pirates; or some other reason we could not divine.

The land furrounding the harbour was much infulated, rifing in parts to very high hills, deftitute of wood and verdure in general; but in fome places were a few fcattered pine trees. On the fouth fide, which is a peninfula, it was better wooded; and amongst the pines were other diciderous trees, but of what kinds we were unacquainted, as the jealousy of the people entirely prevented our acquiring any knowledge of the productions of the country. Indeed in no instance would they admit our researches.

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There were feveral large villages fcattered about the harbour, all of them feemingly very populous, and generally feated in pleafant fituations, with trees interspersed among the houses. The houses were finall, all of one story, and thatched. The lands were cultivated in the Japanese manner, rising in ridges above each other between the hills, which gave them an opportunity of eafily conducting water to the rice grounds. We faw horfes, hogs, poultry, and black cattle, of which articles much as we were in want we could not procure. Money, at least of European coins, they had no idea of; but they perfeetly understood the value of gold and filver, their knives, &c. being ornamented in the workmanship with those metals.

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They were well acquainted with guns and firearms, but we faw no appearance of offensive weapons amongst them, nor did they seem any way apprehensive of the small force we possessed. All their attention was paid to expedite our departure; and yet many articles of European manufacture excited their curiosity, particularly our woollen clothing.

As a commercial nation, of course they were well acquainted and conversant in trade; but with us they did

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BOOK 11. 1797. October. did not feem defirous of making any exchanges whatever, which may be owing, probably, to the articles we possessed being of no value in their estimation. Indeed we had nothing to excite their attention, or satisfy their curiosity, except our wearing apparel. The following observations were made for the longitude, &c.

Variation for Azimuths with two compasses, 2° 8′ 0″ W.

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Mean latitude of the south point of entrance, 35° 2′ 0″ N.

Mean of 37 sets of distances, taken before our arrival, 129° 24′ 18″ E.

Mean of 42 sets on each side of the moon, at anchor, 128° 46′ 49″

Mean of 20 sets, taken after leaving the harbour, 129° 18′ 15″

The mean of the 99, reduced by the watch, will make 129° 7′ 7″, which is taken for the true longitude of Tchofan harbour.

By fingle altitudes taken on fhore, between the 13th and 21ft of October, the watch N° 45 was flow for mean time at Greenwich 0 h. 12 m. 33s.2., on the 21ft of October at noon; and was found to be losing per day 9'.80. on mean time. On the 13th, the watch flowed the longitude, at anchor, by Endomo rate, 130° 26' 21" E.; by Macao rate, 128° 40' 33" E.

As it appears the watch goes fo irregularly, or that the rate acquired at Endomo harbour is subject to some error, I have shewn daily the longitude by Macao rate, correcting its error in longitude at Endomo, which makes it agree better with all the observations we have made since leaving Volcano bay.

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## CHAP. VIII.

Departure from Chosan.—Find ourselves in a Cluster of Islands.—
Visited by the Natives.—Off the Island of Quelpaert.

1797. October 22d. Fresh breezes and fine clear weather. At half past 2 h. we saw some rocky isles and ledges in our course: we therefore steered more southerly, to pass without them. At 3 h. the extreme part of the main land bore West; and we could distinguish the coast no longer for a cluster of islands in that direction, with many rocks between them: some only even with the water. At 5 h. an high rock bore N. 49° W., in one with the islands set at noon without the extreme of the Corean land. After rounding it very close we hauled up to the westward; the island of Tzima then bearing from S. 40° E. to S. 60° E. At surset the extreme of Corea, to the North, N. 16° E.; and the extreme of Rocky Islands, N. 76° W. three leagues.

At 6 h. 30 m. we hauled our wind, and plied under cafy fail for the night. It blew ftrong, with a good deal of fea; and at day-light the high rock bore N. E. four or five miles. The weather was fo hazy we could not fee in any direction more than two leagues. We hauled up W. N. W. for the rocky iflands; and at 3 h. 30 m. A. M. we faw them to the N. W. Soon after we faw a fingle rock to the West, which we passed to the South of within a mile. It was high and perforated. Before we lost fight of it we faw another, in shape like a haycock; and more islands to the westward. At noon we had strong breezes and thick hazy weather. The haycock rock bore N. 76° W. two miles; and the western islands, from N. 44° W. to 88° W.

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Fresh breezes, and uncommonly hazy round the horizon. At 1 h. we saw another rocky island to the South. As it appeared we were completely surrounded by a cluster of islands, which rendered our navigation very intricate, and indeed useless, I thought it best to haul up and seek for shelter among the islands to the N.W. We gradually shortened our water as we approached them; and after passing the eastern point we had smooth water. We soon perceived

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II. 1797. October. ceived them to be inhabited, and very well cultivated: we also saw several boats a-sissing. These islands were rather high, and in parts well wooded, and separated from each other by very narrow passages.

At 4 h. we were close in with the land; the noonextreme bearing S. 32° E., when we steered to the W. S. W., in the direction of a woody ifland, off which were fome ledges of rocks feattered at unequal diftances. At funfet the extreme, fet at noon N. 88° W., now bore S. E.; high land, S. 50° W.; and the extent of the woody island, N. 50° E. two miles. We plied during the night to preferve our flation off the woody. island. At 18 h. it bore from us N. 26° W. two or. three miles; and we had the fame hazy weather. At-19 h. 30 m. we were entangled with rocks and islands: we could proceed no further to the N. W., we therefore steered to pass without the high land, and narrowly escaped two rocks, even with the water, to the N. W. of it. As we steered to the S. W. we could just differn, through the haze, fmall islands and rocks in every direction; and after passing between two that are South of the high land we hauled up to the N. W. At 21h. we loft fight of the high land, bearing

N. 70° E. two leagues: and at noon two islands in one bore S. 29° E.; two more, N. 48° E.; Long Island, S. to S. W. by W.

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Light breezes and very hazy weather. We kept our wind for the only clear paffage we could fee amongft the iflands. At 3 h., finding a current against us, we came to an anchor in ten fathoms, muddy bottom. The extremes, forming the paffage at noon, bore from S. 5° E. to S. 60° E.; the latter point, in one with two islands, two or three miles distant. In every other direction we were furrounded by land, but our view was very imperfect and limited.

On the islands we observed villages and cultivations, and many boats on the water passing to and fro; but they did not come near us. We found the current continued regular from the N.W. about 14 miles per hour.

The night was moderate and cloudy; and in the morning we had a fresh breeze at N. N. W., with the stream or tide in our favour. We got under at 7 h. A. M. and turned to the N. W., keeping the land to the North close on board in our traverses, which appeared bold; and after passing some small rocky islands.

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B O O K II. 1797. October. illands we opened a channel to the West, about two miles wide, much indented with small bays, and many rocky islands lying in the fair way, but free of all danger, having regular soundings, and gradually shoaling as we approach either shore from sisteen to seven and sive fathoms. The land on each side afforded a pleasing view; many spots being richly cultivated, and the country interspersed with villages. Various boats sailing in every direction.

Before noon we came to in ten fathoms mud, when the islands that bore N. W. by N. at our last anchorage now bore S. 74° E. two or three leagues; and our present situation was so encircled by islands that we could see no opening whatever leading to sea. The master went to the nearest, to observe the latitude and make other remarks; but the hazy weather prevented his seeing any more islands to the West, which prevented our making any conclusion respecting the passage.

Fresh breezes and hazy weather; and towards the evening it partly cleared away. The wind remained in the N. W. quarter. After noon we were visited by a boat from a large town, which bore N. 16° W. two miles from us. They brought with them a paper in written

written characters, perfectly unintelligible, to which CHAP. we could make no reply. About an hour afterwards we faw feveral boats coming off, and one of them in a gay ftile, with feveral foldiers carrying filken flags, and a larger one of red and purple in the bow. They pulled to the mufic of trumpets; and the military were armed with fabres. Under a canopy was feated a very confequential man upon a leopard's fkin, with cushions to rest upon, and a suite of attendants about him, all habited in the fame stile with those at Chofan.

They came on board without any ceremony, and immediately transferred his matts, &c. while one of his train held a large umbrella over him to keep off the fun, and the rest kept at a most respectable diffance. He asked many questions that I did not understand, excepting inquiries relating to our arrival, &c. and his anxiety to know our numbers, which he was not fatisfied with from my answers, but infifted upon having them counted before him; and immediately defired his people to begin. This liberty I would not permit, which feemed to displease him.

He appeared very defirous we fhould ftay fome days, and begged we would fend the boat on shore; and BOOK II. 1797. October. and on his departure repeated the fame request. On my objecting to it he feemed much surprised. This man was particularly haughty in his manner, and treated us by his behaviour with the most sovereign contempt. After staying about half an hour he went away, leaving two boats with us as spies, as we supposed, upon our conduct. They anchored close to us, and two others were sent away with messages.

Instead of going to the village, we observed the great man remained with his boat at the point of the island. The weather being much clearer in the afternoon, at 3 h. P. M. we got under way, and stood between the islands to the westward, having a fine breeze from the North.

The infant we made fail, the boat from the island followed us, hooting and hollowing and founding their trumpets for us to stop; we paid no attention to them, and finding they could not come up, they relanded again at the other extreme of the island.

What this man's intentions were I cannot determine, but to me I must own they appeared suspicious; and I did not think it necessary to wait the result of them at the expence of the clear weather: as we understood them

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them they called this part Chosan-go. At 4 h. we passed an opening leading to sea between some rocks and islands laying off the west end of an high island; and at funfet we had run near 12 miles in a W. S. W. direction. The land to the N. N. E. appeared high and much broken, and connected by ranges of hills at At 6h. we were opposite to another the back. opening leading to fea, and we came to in feven fathoms, muddy bottom. The island on which we observed the latitude bore N. 67° E., and a deep entrance in the high land, leading probably to a Our foundings in the afternoon river, N. N. E. varied from 17 to 7 fathoms, according to our distance from the land; and the passage was extensive and free of all danger from Latitude Island to our present fituation. The flood-tide came from the S. W., and it run much stronger than the ebb; the rise and fall was about nine feet. The morning was moderate and hazy, and we could fee about three or four leagues; the wind was a gentle breeze from the North, with which we got under way, and steered to the S. S. W., having iflands and rocks on each fide. On the continental fide we faw feveral villages; a large one bore West of us at anchor. At 21 h. 30 m. we came abreast of a point of land from whence the coast tends to the westward. An infinity of small islands lay in the

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BOOK II. 1797. October. fame direction, and we had not wind enough to enable us to follow the direction of the coaft.

At noon it bore from us N. 27° E. fix or feven miles the point, and an high hummock ifle S. W. one mile; we had the sea open to the S. S. E. and S. S. W.; in every other direction we faw islands, some just appearing through the haze. I counted thirty of various magnitude. On the large ones were extensive villages, fituated in fmall bays well wooded with fandy beaches, and every accessible part seemed to be cultivated. Boats were fishing, and the water was perfectly fmooth, with scarcely any wind to disturb it or assist our motion. Our foundings before we cleared the passage increased to 12, and 15 fathoms, and after decreased to 10 fathoms. mud.

26th.

Light airs and calms, with a current fetting us to the S. W.; we passed within 30 yards of the Hummock Island, which appeared to us inaccessible; we however faw some people upon it whom I suppose were sishermen.

In the evening we had the wind westerly, and we kept plying through the opening in a S. S. W. direction.

direction. At 8 h. we anchored in 15 fathoms, close in with the western islands. The night was moderate, and the current set to the N. E. one mile per hour. In the morning the weather was more clear .han usual, and we saw many islands and rocks to the S. W.; and an extensive island rising to a great height in the centre bore from S. 6° W. to S. 25° W.

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The islands between which we anchored were four or five miles apart, and of considerable extent; they were also well cultivated, but no wood appeared, except round the villages: we still observed several boats employed sishing, but we could not induce them to come near us. At 19 h. we got under way, and made sail to the S. W.; as I supposed the large island to be Quelpaert, I was desirous to examine it. By noon it bore from S. 18° E. to S. 25° W. Hummock Island just visible N. 40° E. eight leagues. A groupe of rocky islands N. 71° W. to S. 78° W. A single one S. W.; a small stat island S. 35° E. two miles. Another island due east.

Fresh breezes, which soon brought on the same hazy 27th. weather.

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BOOK II. 1797. October. We just weathered the rock set at noon S. W., and soon after we saw another in the same direction two or three miles; and the haze entirely obscured the island of Quelpacrt. At sunset these rocks were to the eastward of us sive or six miles; and we could just discern the groupe to the N. N. E. at the same distance.

We plied to windward during the night, having the fame weather.

The haze cleared away partly, which gave us a view of Quelpaert from S. 5° W. to S. 72° E. four or five leagues; the rocks bore N. 70° E. and N. 40° E. three or four miles, and the groupe N. b. E.; we had been fet towards the rocks five or fix miles in the night. We steered for the island, which at the west extreme is low and rocky; before you come to it you pass a small island close in shore, with a green surface; and off the extreme point is another, but rocky and fmaller ones within it. We remarked feveral patches of white fand fome diftance from the fea; and in many parts were rifing hillocks or mounts well cultivated up their fides. A round high rock bore of us at noon S. 85° E.; this was remarkable on the shore. Green The rocky island off the west Island N. 36° E. extreme

extreme N. 27° E. two or three miles. A hummock point making the other extreme S. 68° E., and the centre hill N. 72° E. The fmoke of fires was perceived in every part of the land.

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28th.

At 1 h. the fouth extreme bore East, and we hauled up for the land. After running four miles we perceived two low flat islands off the fouth point, furrounded by reefs, and to appearance connected with the point by shoals. We also saw breakers to the fouthward at a very little distance. We tacked, and fleered out the fame distance we came in, and afterwards fleered to the S. E. The whole of the flat land was entirely covered with habitations, but we faw no boats or junks. At 6 h. the outer flat island bore N. E., and we hauled off to the West for the night, plying as usual under an easy fail. At 20 h. we made fail, having the fame bearings as last evening. We paffed within two miles of the outer flat ifland in 50fathoms, and continued our course in the direction of the island of Quelpaert. At noon the fouth point bore N. 55° W.: outer flat island N. 81° W. ten leagues. Centre of the peak N. 12° E., and the extreme N. 55° E. off shore four or five miles. The greatest extent of this island is an E. N. E. and W. S. W. direction 11 or 12 leagues long. The peak is remarkable

B O O K 11. 1797. October. able high land, rifing gradually from the extremes, and is nearly in the centre of the island. The fouth point is fituated in the latitude of 33° 11′ N., and 126° 20' east longitude.

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The east extreme bore of us N. 30° E. five or fix leagues, and we had now seen the extent of Quelpaert. In no direction could we see any other land, although the weather was tolerably clear. As I was desirous of again making the Corean coast, we tacked and stood to the westward.

The night was moderate, and after the moon fet we plied to windward as usual till daylight. The morning brought with it very thick, hazy weather, which entirely hindered us from seeing the island.

The island of Quelpaert is encircled by a rocky shore, chiefly of coral of a burnt or scorched colour, not quite black. In several parts on the slat land were rocks of great magnitude and uncommon forms; the effects to appearance of some natural convulsion, from which circumstance I conclude the island to be volcanic.

We saw no opening nor any boats, but the anchorage on the south side is very good, when to the eastward of the flat islands. The island may be seen at 25 leagues distance, if not more from its great elevation.

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Light breezes and very cloudy.

30th.

- 6 h. The weather clear and pleafant.
- 12 h. Light winds.
- 13 h. Tacked and flood to the N. N. E. at 1 h. 30 m.

At half past 15 h. tacked.

- 18 h. Smooth water and fair weather.
- 20 h. Passed many blubbers, and quantities of scawced.
  - 24 h. Ditto winds and weather.

Moderate breezes and clear weather.

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- 8 h. The haze came on again very thick.
- 14 h. Light airs and calms. Soundings per column.
- 16 h. Brought to till daylight.
  - 19 h. Made fail.
- 20 h. The sea appeared very white through the haze, and in the morning we saw many land-birds, amongst them a dove and a quail.

24 h.

BOOK II. 1797. November 24 h. Fair weather, but very hazy.

Fresh breezes and the same hazy weather.

- 5h. As we deepened our water the fea in some degree lost its whitish appearance, and became more green.
  - 12 h. Light airs, and more clear round the horizon
- 16 h. Tacked ship till daylight, when we again stood to the westward.
  - 24 h. Fresh breezes and clear weather.
- 2d. Light breezes and clear weather.
  - 12 h. Calm and fair weather.
  - 19 h. In the morning we examined our provisions, and found, excepting falt meat, we had not enough to last the month of any other species; nor spirits, even at half allowance.
    - 24 h. Light airs at noon, with fair weather.
- As we were by our longitude near the coast of China, and the wind remaining steady from the S. W. quarter, I thought it best to keep our wind in for the land, sounding constantly every hour. We gradually decreased our water; and at midnight, having shoaled to 11 fathoms, hard sandy bottom, we tacked and stood off till the morning under an easy sail. Notwithstanding

withftanding we fleered out in the same direction we had come in, we had less water for two or three leagues, which I imputed to a current setting us to the North of our estimation. At day-light we tacked and made sail in for the land, having a strong breeze and very hazy weather, with a confused sea, seemingly agitated by a strong tide or current. The water was of a dirty yellowish colour, and very thick, which made me conclude we were off the Nanking river.

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In the morning we faw feveral junks at anchor and under fail; and at 22 h. 45 m. we faw the land. Upon a nearer approach it proved to be a ledge of rocks, bearing Weft; and we had only five fathoms water. At 23 h. 30 m. we tacked in lefs than four fathoms, when the ledge bore S. 78° W. four or five miles; and the tide fet us to the North, among the junks at anchor. We faw low land to the North and Weft of the rocks; and at noon the ledge was juft vifible from the deck, fix or feven miles, bearing S. 78° W. Very thick hazy weather.

This estimation will make the rocks in the latitude of 31° 56′ 31″ N. and 122° 4′ 32″ E.

BOOK II. 1797. November 4th. At 1 h. we had deepened our water, and we steered to the N. E., intending to range the coast of China up to the northward. In half an hour's sail we shortened again to five fathoms: we then hauled our wind till we increased our water to 13 fathoms, when we again bore away to the E. N. E. I suspect the tide had set upon a bank, as we observed a fixed buoy upon it, when we had the least water; but when the haze, or more properly the fog, prevented our judging very correctly of any thing, from the perpetual obscurity of the weather.

At 9 h., the wind blowing steady and strong from the S. W., we hauled our wind till day-light, in hopes of more favourable weather. In these hopes we were much disappointed, as the haze or fog was much thicker; and the wind veering to the West and N. W. prevented our seeing or approaching the coast of China. We however stood to the North, as the wind permitted.

In the forenoon we passed several junks, standing on different courses; and all of them we had yet seen had three masts. One of them had a fourth: this was fixed close forward and outside the vessel, upon the the bow. They were painted differently to those we were accustomed to see at Canton.

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5th.

We had loft the thick yellowish appearance of the sea, but the water was much discoloured in patches, as if disturbed at the bottom.

We passed close to the leeward of a large junk, whose after-sails were of cotton instead of matts. She was painted in the fore part and stern only, and on her quarters were some characters in black. They had lee-boards; but notwithstanding, she went bodily to leeward, and she sailed very heavily. There were about twenty men to navigate her.

In the morning we had fine, clear, pleasant weather; and having deepened our water, the sea resumed its natural colour.

- 23 h. Large swell from the N. W. quarter.
- 24 h. Moderate and fair weather.

Moderate wind and very clear weather

7 h. Light airs inclining to calms.

12 h. Calm and clear weather.

18 h. We faw an island to the N. E. ten or twelve leagues.

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19 h.

19 h. Light airs.

19 h. At noon the ifland from N. 48° E. to 53° E.

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The ifland from N. 62° to N. 69° E.

12 h. Dark cloudy weather.

13 h. Very fqually weather, with heavy rains.

The wind fuddenly thifted to the N. W. quarter.

During the violence of the wind we lay to.

Saw the ifland to the eaftward.

At noon the island from N. 31° E. to N. 52° E. four or five miles: a large sea from the North. This island, upon a nearer view, appeared to us much higher than we at first supposed: it was also rocky and barren. Off the north extreme, which is the highest part, are several detached rocks at a little distance; one of them much larger than the others: but the island itself is very inconsiderable in extent. It is situated in the latitude of 34° 2′ N., and longitude 125° 5′ 0″ E.

8th. Fresh gales and very squally weather, with a large sea from the North, in which quarter it remained tolerably

tolerably clear; but we could fee no other land. The wind totally preventing our progrefs towards the Corean coast, except in our former track, and the November. wind being steadily fixed in the North, I thought it needless to persevere any longer, as we had only provisions to the end of the month, even at half allowance. In confequence of this circumftance we bore away to the S. E.; and at funfet we faw the island of Quelpacrt bearing S. 55. E.; and the island we had left, N. 24° W. twelve leagues diftant.

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At midnight, being to the fouthward of Quelpaert, we hauled up again to the S. E., having a fine clear moon-light.

At day-light the peak on the island of Quelpaert bore N. 43° E. eight or ten leagues; and at noon the fame mountain bore N. 15° E. 21 leagues.

Fine clear cold weather, and the wind more moderate.

Fresh breezes and fine weather. Squally at times.

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- 5 h. The peak on Quelpaert, at funfet, bore due North, 24 leagues.
  - 12 h. Moderate and clear weather.

BOOK II. 1797. November At half past 18 h. altered our course to East. 24 h. Very pleasant weather at noon.

Moderate breezes and fine weather. 4 h. Saw land from the mast-head.

Some rocky iflands bore off us S. 65° W. feven or eight leagues.

At half past 9 h. hove to for an hour, to wait the moon's rifing.

The islands bore off us N. E. by N. three leagues.

Hove to at half past 15 h. to wait day-light.

The islands bore from N. 17° W to N. 33° W.

They were five in number, and closely connected. The largest were those to the North and South. The southern one was high and peaked; and the whole cluster, of very little extent. At 22 h. 55 m. we lost sight of them, bearing from N. 75° W. to N. 80° W. eight or ten leagues: at the same time we saw high land to the E. S. E. At noon the land extended from S. 59° E. to S. 69° E.; and we saw more distant land to the castward, unconnected with the other.

Fresh breezes and very pleasant weather this 24 h. morning.

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Fresh breezes and squally weather, with frequent rain, which at times entirely obscured the horizon. At 3 h. 30 m. we faw an high peaked rock bearing S. by E.: we altered our course to pass without it. At the same time we had violent squalls, and the wind veered more northerly. At 5 h. 30 m. we hauled our wind for the night; the peaked ifland bearing S. 25° E. four leagues; and the land fet at noon, from N. 60° E. to N. 70° E. The more diftant land we could not fee.

It blew strong all night, and we had a great sea, with much rain. At day-light the peaked island bore N. 88° E.: and feeing no more land, we bore up with a strong gale and squally weather.

The only chart we had on board was one of Van Keulen's, wherein he places the island of Meaxema in 32° 0', and which is most probably the same land that bore to the E.S.E. of us yesterday, and to the N. E. last evening, in which bearing it appeared like an ifland of confiderable elevation; and on the cast side of it the hills were peaked. But the squally obfcure BOOK II. 1797. November.

obscure weather, in the afternoon, almost excluded our seeing any thing; and I could not reconcile the situation of the peaked island with his chart.

12th.

We hauled up as near the wind as the sea permitted. At half past 2 h. we saw an island a-head, very high, and round at top. At 5 h. we saw sour more in different directions, from S. 30° E. to N. 60° E; the nearest about 10 leagues. At half past we were and hauled our wind, having no soundings with our line.

12 h. More moderate weather.

13 h. Tacked ship.

Made fail at day-light for the islands, extending from S. 15° E. to N. 43° E., eight in number. At 21 h. the westernmost, off which is a pinnacle rock, bore S. 5° W. two leagues; and we tacked to the West.

Moderate breezes and fair weather.

At noon we counted ten islands extending from S. 10° E. to N. 45° E. They were of different magnitudes; and three of the largest emitted sinoke at intervals throughout the morning. They were very elevated, and in general much broken, and presented a barren

a barren rocky furface. The highest one, the same we first remarked, and now bore S. 58° E., was a round lofty mountain, rising with a steep ascent to its summit from the northern part of the island. It may be distinguished at a great distance, and is the same we saw on July the 15th, when we passed on the eastern side of them, going to the North. We experienced to-day, for the sirst time since leaving Tshosan harbour, a strong current, which had set us S. 38° E. 39 miles; and which, in addition to the contrary wind, entirely prevented our making the southern part of the Japan isles.

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We saw another island bearing S. 10° W.: and the former islands extended from S. 49° E. to N. 50° E.; the nearest sive leagues. We hauled to the westward at sunset.

13th.

A moderate wind fpringing up we made fail to the S.W. The iflands preferved nearly the fame bearings; and at noon they extended from S. 29° E. to N. 66° E. ten or twelve leagues. Eafterly current of 20 miles fince yesterday.

Light airs and calms, with frequent heavy flowers 14th. of rain.

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5. 10° E.; and the fouthern island of those set at noon bore S. 37° E. ten or twelve leagues. These islands were high and rocky, and very small.

12 h. Pleasant breezes and clear weather.

17 h. Bore away and made fail.

19 h. A fmall island seen bearing S. 32° E.

The current these 24 hours has set in the direction of N. 50° E. 28 miles, notwithstanding we had a strong N. W. wind.

24 h. Fresh breezes and clear. The island, S. 66° E. six leagues.

75th. Fresh breezes and clear weather. At 2 h. 30 m. the small island bore N. 88° E.

It bore N. 83° E.; and foon after we loft fight of it.

7 h. Hauled our wind under eafy fail.

13 h. Squally and cloudy weather.

18 h. Bore up and made fail. Large swell.

24 h. Fresh breezes and gloomy weather.

16th. Fresh breezes and dark cloudy weather.

7 h. Hauled our wind and plied under eafy fail.

13 h.

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13 h. Ditto weather, and a large swell.

16 h. Wore ship.

18 h. Made fail.

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20 h. The heavy clouds dispersed, and we had mild clear weather. By our observations we find the current has set us N. 50° E. 43 miles since the 14th at noon.

24 h. Moderate breezes.

Moderate breezes and fair weather.

17th.

- 10 h. Brought to till day-light.
- 17 h. Made fail.
- 22 h. Current N. 39° E. 16 miles.
- 24 h. Fair weather and finooth water.

Light breezes and mild pleasant weather.

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- 13 h. Gentle winds and very finooth fea.
- 23 h. Eight miles only to the East of account.
- 24 h. Fair and pleafant weather.

Light breezes and fine weather.

19th.

- 7 h. Our estimated latitude was 26° 22' North; and we steered West.
  - 12 h. The wind decreafing.
  - 18 h. Fresh breezes and clear weather.

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After mustering we performed divine service.

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Current 39 miles easterly.

o24 h. Very pleafant weather.

20th.

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Moderate breezes and fair weather. Immediately after noon we faw land from the deck bearing S. 2° W. We knew this land to be the iflands we had paffed between on the 7th of July last. At 5 h. we lost fight of them, bearing S. 15° E. 14 or 15 leagues.

18 h. Variable and fqually weather.

23 h. Current ten miles North.

24 h. Strong breezes and dark weather.

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Strong breezes and dark gloomy weather, with frequent fqualls and a large fwell.

o We hauled upon a wind under a low fail, and preserved our situation by tacking during the night.

12 h. Dark and difinal weather, with a large fea, and a fresh gale of wind.

18 h. Bore away and made fail. At 22 h. 30 m. we discovered the northern part of Formosa bearing S. 50° E.; and at noon we saw it very indistinctly othrough the haze from S. 65° E. to S. 75° E. sive or fix leagues? Disto weather.

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Fresh gales and very dark hazy weather, with a large sea.

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6 h. We hauled our wind for the night.

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13 h. Strong gales, and the fea particularly luminous; appearing every brake as if we were in shoal water.

18 h. Bore away with a high fea.

24 h. Hard gales and very fqually weather.

Strong gales and fqually weather: very thick and hazy round the horizon. At 2 h. we hauled up more, expecting to fee the land before dark; but our view was so confined by the weather we did not make it. At 6 h. we brought to for the night.

Throughout it blew a hard gale of wind; and we gradually decreased our soundings as we approached the China coast.

The gale was more moderate, and we made fail in for the land, which we discerned at 18 h. 30 m. bearing N. 24° W. three or four leagues; and soon after Chappel Island, which lies South of Amoy harbour, bore S. 61° W. We passed without it at two or three miles distant. The fine weather we enjoyed

this

BOOK II. 1797. November. this morning brought an immense number of fishing boats out of the harbour. They were small, and generally painted white, green, and red, with eyes to them all.

At 22 h. 30 m. we loft fight of Chappel Island bearing N. 33° E.; and at noon the high round hill, on the fouth fide of Amoy, bore N. 13° E.; and the extreme to the South, S. 68° W. Some small islands were scattered along shore from N. 52° W. to 68° W., two or three leagues from us. Some high barren land bore N. N. W.

24th. Strong breezes and hazy weather.

At 2 h. we faw two rocks nearly in our course, and we steered more southerly to pass without them. After running 13 miles we passed them at two or three miles distance, and resumed our former course.

At 6 h. we faw the Larnoch Islands from the deck, bearing S. 70° W. The rocks we had feen before were now just visible, N. 28° E; and the extremes of the coast of China, from N. 5° E. to N. 88° W. six or seven leagues.

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Our efteemed latitude at 12 h. was 22° 57′ North; and we hauled more to the westward. The coast of China, at day-light, extended from N. N. E. to N. N. W. three or four leagues; and the sea was covered with fishing boats to a great extent.

CHAP. VIII. 1797. November.

Current of 22 miles to the W. S. W. thefe 24 hours.

Fresh breezes and very hazy weather. At noon we were within three miles of the eastern point of what is named Reyorson's bay; and the water appearing discoloured we had steered to the southward before noon. At noon the bay extended from N. 39° E. to N. 70° W., about two or three leagues from some islands situated in the bay.

Fresh breezes and very hazy weather.

25th,

We faw the rocks, Pedro Blanco; and at 4 h. 30 m. it bore S. W. from the deck. At Sh. we were due North from it four or five miles.

12 h. Brought to till day-light.

16 h. Bore up and made fail.

18 h. We faw the Great Lema bearing West about four leagues, and we hauled up to the northward of it. At 20 h. it bore South two or three miles; and at

noon,

noon, S. 75° E.; island of Pootory, N. 88° E.; peak of Lantoe, N. 22° W. Current fince yesterday, November. S. 61° W. 22 miles.

Light winds and fair.

By observations made when Pedro Blanco and the Great Lema bore South of us, and corrected by the watch's error in the Typa, their situation will be as follows:

Great Lema, latitude 22° 04' N. longitude 114° 14' E. Pedro Blanco, ditto 22° 18' N. ditto 115° 06' E.

They bear from each other N. 76° E. and S. 76• W. 50 miles.

The afternoon was calm; but the tide being in our favour we drifted between the islands and Lantoe point, increasing our water from 10 and 15 to 25 fathoms, when the point bore East three or four miles.

We came to an anchor in 12 fathoms, muddy bettom; Lintin Peak bearing N. 6° E.; Lantoe Peak, N. 75° E.; and the town of Macao, S. 88° W.

Light airs for a short continuance.

In the morning mustered the people and performed divine fervice. Afterwards they were enjoined to fecrecy in whatever related to our voyage. The November. officers and gentlemen delivered up their journals and other remarks.

Moderate breezes from the northward. At 2 h. the tide, which had run down 12 hours, flacking, we got under way and made fail for Macao. In our way we spoke a ship, called the Britannia, that had arrived from Port Jackson, and now going to Canton. At dark we came to in Macao roads, in three fathoms; and in the morning, having firong breezes from the N. E. quarter, we weighed and run into the Typa, where we moored in our old fituation. We found riding here the Duff merchant ship from the South Seas, where she had left some letters at the different iflands.

27th.

By which it appears the watch has gone more regularly well than usual, fince her rate was fettled in Tfhofan harbour.

Remarks

BOOK II. 1797. November.

Remarks on the Japanese and Corean Vessels.

THE Japanese junks we had the opportunity of observing were from three hundred to thirty tons burthen, and, without the smallest variation, of the same construction. They have only one mast, with a square sail of cotton; and notwithstanding they at times weathered upon the schooner, we generally sailed much faster. They were unable to tack, but always were in a very short time.

They made use of iron creepers for anchors: and their rudders were of the same construction with the Chinese; and when at anchor hove up by a purchase.

The butt-ends and stern were covered with copper to preserve them: and the opening in their sterns is something similar to a square tacked vessel; only the sides are carried aft, projecting beyond it some distance.

The hold was entirely open; and they made use of tanks or cisterns for carrying water. The mast was composed

composed of several pieces of fir, rudely made, and ftrougly hooped together. The floor, timbers, beams, and main-piece of the rudder, were of oak; the reft, November. of pine.

CHAP. VIII.

We never faw any that were painted.

The Corean Junks were of a large fize, with only one mast; but we did not see any under sail. Their hoats in the Archipelago of T'Chofan-go were more fimilar to the Chinese, and particularly in their mode of navigating them. They also made use of wooden anchors, which the Japanese do not. Their boats had two maits and matted fails, but not extended crofs-ways, with bamboos, like the Chinefe. In the centre of the veffel they have a fire-place, built up with clay in a square form: they always keep some fire in it, for the conveniency of fmoking.

They made use of no covering like the Chinese tilts, but covered themselves up with coarse dried grafs cloaks.

The boats were built of fir, the skulls were either oak or afh, and they appeared to manage them with great dexterity. Some of them would carry from 50 to 60 people, and they failed very faft.

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BOOK 11. 1797. November. I think it unnecessary to expatiate any more on the detail of our voyage, as it was continued to Madras through the Straits of Malacca, and from Madras to Trincomalay; a track of sea well known to the navigator: thence I took the accustomed passage to England, where I arrived in February, 1799, after an absence of sour years; and shall consider my exertions as amply rewarded, if this journal in the opinion of the scientific and geographical part of the world (however it may furnish little amusement to the general reader), is considered as adding to the stock of nautical information, and communicating a more extensive knowledge of the globe.

# APPENDIX.

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# No. I.

TABLES of the ROUTE of the PROVIDENCE and her Tender, the Variation of the Compass, and the State of the Barometer and Thermometer, during the Voyage from the Sandwich Itiands, July 31ft 1796, till our last Arrival at Macao, November 27th 1797.

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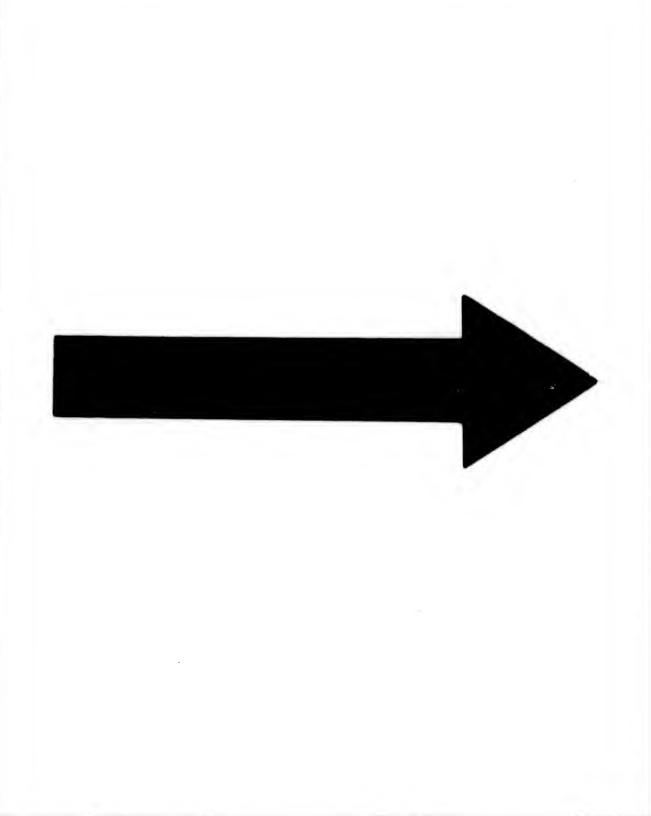
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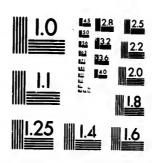
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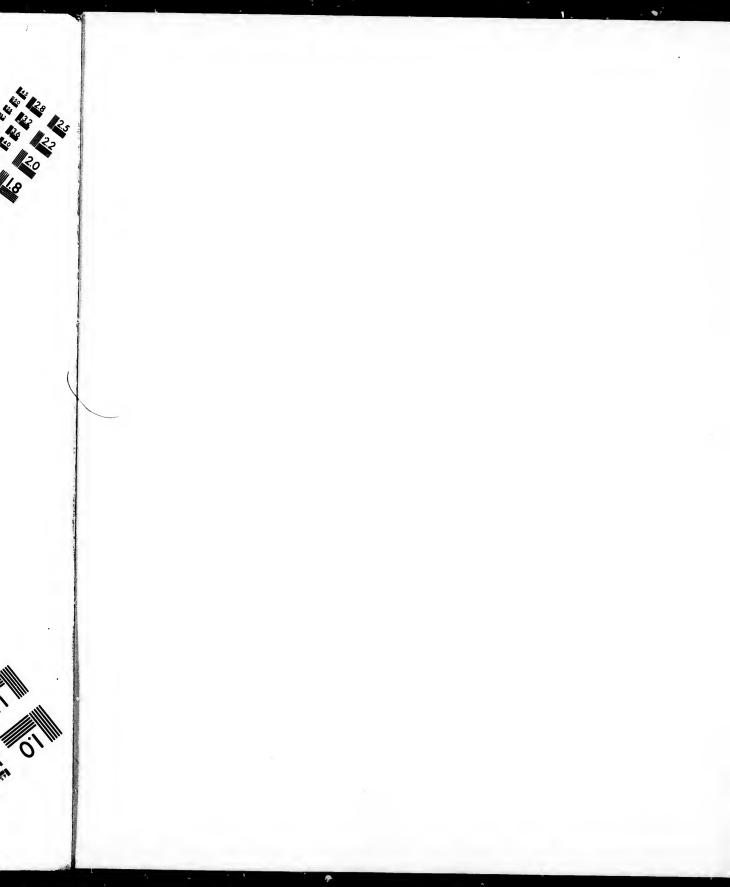
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#### APPENDIX.

#### No. II.

Vocabularies of the Languages of the Islands of INSU, Lieuchieux, and of the Natives of Chosan, on the Coast of Corea.

#### Specimen of the Infu Language.

	• 3	•	
Arkee,	Come here.	Sherima,	Make hafte.
Appeals,	To walk.	Horopice,	To drink.
Tambene,	To enquire the name for	Kadanna,	A two-handed fword;
	any thing.	Wagafasia,	A one-handed ditto.
Penzy,	A ship.	Ka,	A mulket.
Erracoofh,	Dried cod-fifth.	Shoomotza,	A book.
Koo,	A bow.	Yewbee,	The finger.
Kooka,	A bowstring.	O yewbee,	The thumb.
Ay,	An arrow.	Sinnee,	The leg.
Eckyoop,	A quiver	Momo,	The thigh,
Yewknema,	Deer-skin.	Oondee,	The arm.
$\Lambda$ toofh,	A frock.	Nagayewbee,	Middle finger.
Askippi,	The finger.	Gedah,	Sandals.
Creak,	The beard.	Tenoogambe,	The wrift.
Meemack,	The teeth.	Kame,	Paper.
Shoo,	An iron or copper pot.	Enoo,	A dog.
Massacarce,	An hatchet.	Nccko,	A cat.
Oikyo,	A man.	Vafasfo,	A child.
Meanako,	A woman.	Koedge,	The lips.
Haat,	Grapes.	Affee,	The foot.
Soom,	Fish oil.	Olongyfe,	The chin.
Hipparee,	A bear.	Mecmec, .	The ear.
Chucanp,	An eagle.	Oy	Yes.
Sarrancep,	A basket.	Ny,	No.
Yа,	Fish net.	Karnu,	Hair.
Magiddee,	A knife.	Foonil,	Ship.
Theeree,	Tobacco pipe.	Timma,	Boat
Seecham,	A Japanese.	Tcha,	Tea.
Kanzee,	An oar.	Sado,	Sugar.
Wakha,	Water-	Tabacco,	Tobacco.
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## APPENDIX.

#### No. III.

Specimen of the Language of the Natives of the Lieuchieux Islands. It is a Dialect of the Japanese, with some few Chinese Words.

Mizce,	Water.	Yccobee,	The finger.
Ing,	A dog.	Coya,	A cucumber.
Shiree,	A tobacco-pipe.	Mo,	Sweet potatoes
Ching,	A frock.	Hoonee,	A ship.
Mee,	The eye.	Ooffe,	The fun,
Myo,	The eye-krow.	Kance,	Copper.
Hanna,	The nofe.	Koodgee.	The mouth.
Han,	The teeth.	Orra,	The hand.
Karatzee,	The hair.	Kapa,	A hat.
Timma,	A boat.	Shee.	A foot.
Meemce,	The ear.		

#### Specimen of the Corean Language used at Chosan.

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Hannah,	One.	Noon,	The eye.
Toool,	Two.	Noonship,	The eye-brow.
Soe,	Three.	Kace,	The nofe.
Doe,	Four.	Yeep,	The mouth.
Taffah,	Five.	Yee,	Teeth.
Yeffah,	Six.	Murree,	Hair.
Yerogo,	Seven.	Shuame,	The beard.
Yaltai,	Eight.	Pul,	Arm.
Aho,	Nine.	Sone,	Hand.
Yfel,	Ten.	Socora,	Fingers.
Hah,	The Sun.	Tantangee,	Leg.
Tareme,	Moon.	Cheenumchee	
Curome,	Stars.	Kat,	A hat.
Pool,	Fire.	Chap,	A house.
Mool,	Water.	Sonamo,	A tree.
Parrum,	Wind.	Oon,	Silver.
Moc,	Land.	Koon,	Gold.
Sanna,	A man.	She,	A bullock.
Kagtep,	A woman.	Towyee,	A hog.

Names of the Numerals used by the Natives of the Islands off the Coust of Japan.

	Japanese.	Lieuchieux.	Infu.
1,	Stozee,	Stitz,	Sheeneap.
2,	Statze,	Statz	Too.
31	Mitzee,	Mitz,	Liep.
4,	Yeatze,.	Yeatze,	Eenep.
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6,	Nitzee,	Nitz,	Ewan.
7,	Nanatzee,	Nanatzy,	Arrawan.
8,	Josee,	Yeatz,	Toopish.
9,	Kokonitz,	Kokonitz,	Lepish.
IQ,	Toc,	Toc.	Wanna.

## SOME VEGETABLE PRODUCTIONS OF INSU.

## The plants marked thus (\*) are cultivated.

Betula alnus	Vitis vulpina
alba	Artimilia mantifna
Penius, abies	vulgaris
Quercus, 1 spec. chesnut-leaved	Polygonum viviparum
Fraxinus nigra	Polygonum multiflorum
Taxus baccata	- I other species
nucifera	Triticum maritimum
Ulmus campestris	* Ocemum crifpum
Populus balfamea.	Mintha aquatica
Magnotia acuminata	Polypodium vulgare
Hydrangea arborea	villofum
feandens, 2 var, a new spec.	Acrofticum trifoliatur.
Rubus, 3 spec. one furnished with blue	Trichomanes, 1 species
fruit, the other with a calix that is fur-	* Allum or chives
nished with red glandulous hairs, the	Fagus caftanea
third species is possibly the rubus in-	fylvcitris
cana of Thunberg	Chærophyllum fylvestre-
Rosa pomifera, probably the rugosa of	Lamium album
Thunberg	* Phafcolus
Iris, 1 spec.	*Zea maye
Morus papyrifera, with fmall fruit	Rhaphanus
Impatiens noli-me tangere	Corinthe, with blue flowers-
Vitis Japonica	Lichen
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Bryum Orchis, 1 fpecies Juniperus fabina Equesetum hiemale

Equesetum arvense
Juneus sylvestris
Cytifus, with white flowers resembling
the laburnun

# SOME VEGETABLE PRODUCTIONS OF THE LIEUCHIEUX ISLANDS.

Canna indica
Curcuma longa
Crinum Afiaticum
Amaryllis
Buxus femper virens
Icius, 2 fpecies
\* Citrus lemonca
Corypha umbraculifera
\* Chamærops excelfa
\* Ozalea Indica

\* Carnalea fafanqua \* Convalarea Japanica \* Millium fativum

Pinus Quercus

\* Amygdalus pemca \* Necoteana tabaccum

Dracona, with blue pendent flowers, the fame as found in New Holland

Cucumis, 2 var.
\* Solanum
Malva
Ulmus

Tussilago root, eaten by the inhabitants

## SOME VEGETABLE PRODUCTIONS OF COREA.

Azalea Japonica
Pinus tæda
Rubus, 1 'pecies
Campanula, 3 fpecies
Allium, 1 fpecies
Hyacinthus
Polypodium
Achrofticum trifoliatum
Vitis vulpina
\* Rhaphanus, the turnin

\* Rhaphanus, the turnip rooted \* Cucurbita, feveral varieties. Rofa, 1 spec. dwarf and trailing

Bryonca

Atriplex
Salix, 1 fpecies
Deanthus arvenfis
Gallium
Serratula
Plantago major
Convolvulus
Polygonum, 3 fpecies

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