

it was done by the order of Gingi, a chief of Muthuata and of the town where the man was killed. We had no communication with these people, except what has been stated.

(Signed) JOHN WINN,
First Officer, Ship Leonidas.

I believe the foregoing statement to be correct.

(Signed) J. H. EAGLESTON,
Master, Ship Leonidas.

Naloa Bay, June 13th, 1840.

XII.

U. S. Ship Vincennes,
Mbua Bay, July 12th, 1840.

SIR,—

You will have the following boats belonging to your ship, ready for service, fully manned, armed, and equipped, for surveying operations, viz.: gig, first cutter, and two quarter-boats. Passed Midshipman Eld will have charge of one of the quarter-boats. You will appoint officers to the rest from your ship.

You will order Dr. Palmer to the Flying-Fish, and ten men will be sent to her, with three days' provisions for them and the crews of the boats.

CHARLES WILKES,
Commanding Exploring Expedition.

CAPTAIN WM. L. HUDSON,
U. S. Ship Peacock.

ORDERS.

LIEUTENANT ALDEN, Passed Midshipman May, Dr. Fox, Gunner Williamson, and ten men, will be sent to the Flying-Fish.

Lieutenant Perry will have charge of the launch with Midshipman Henry.

Lieutenant Underwood of the Leopard, with Midshipman Elliott.
Mr. Knox, of the Rover.

The men sent to the schooner, and the crews of the boats, will be supplied with three days' provisions.

Passed Midshipman Eld will report for duty to Captain Hudson.

CHARLES WILKES,
Commanding Exploring Expedition.

U. S. Ship Vincennes,
Mbua Bay, July 12th, 1840.