

On the arrival of the tender, Mr. Knox received a present of fine fresh beef from the farm of Mr. Charlton, H. B. M. consul. The cattle are thought to be finer here than on any of the other islands, and the price for them is much more reasonable. Mr. Charlton has upwards of one hundred head.

At 10 P. M. the tender, having received the party on board, took advantage of the land-breeze and stood for Oahu.

In quitting Kauai, I must return my own thanks, as well as those of the gentlemen of the squadron who were the recipients of the attentions and hospitality of our countrymen and other residents on Kauai; and I also tender my sincere acknowledgments for the information derived and the assistance rendered by them.

On the 3d, the tender reached Rawailoa, in Waialua district, and the naturalists were landed on the western side of Oahu.

The coast here forms a small bay, and has a dreary aspect on first landing. The soil is sandy and poor; the huts are in ruins, and the inhabitants present a miserable, squalid appearance. A short distance from the coast an agreeable change is met with, in extensive taro-patches, fish-ponds, and fine fields of sugar-cane. The habitations in this part, are neat and comfortable, and the natives cheerful and clean.

It was near this place that Mr. Gooch, who accompanied Vancouver, was killed by the natives. Our gentlemen were kindly welcomed by Messrs. Emerson and Locke, the former having charge of the station, and the latter of a school on the Pestalozzian system. There are only fourteen boys in the school: they look well, and are neatly clothed; but it is not thought to be doing well, for the natives do not like the plan of having their children taken entirely from their own control; yet this is essential to success. The boys all live within Mr. Locke's enclosure, and are seldom out of his sight. Agriculture is their principal employment, and some of them were seen to yoke oxen and manage the plough with adroitness. They are also taught reading, writing, and arithmetic, for which they evince great fondness. Mr. Locke is enthusiastic in his undertaking, and well deserves success, though I cannot but view the experiment as very doubtful.\*

Here the party again divided, to explore the island of Oahu, on their way to Honolulu. The district of Waialua stretches from the most westerly cape, called Kaena, to Waimea, in the district of Koolaulo, on the northeast, and to Waianae on the southwest, a distance along

\* Since leaving the island, I have learned that Mr. Locke had, in farther experiments, satisfied all that his success was quite equal to his anticipations; and I regretted, in late advices, to learn of his death, after a few days' illness, being thus cut off in the full tide of his usefulness.