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Abraham Hendrike Mariner now of the Brig  
Daphne lying at Sydney Cove Port Jackson maketh Oath  
and Saith that in the Month of September in the Year one  
thousand Eight hundred and twelve he shipped on board  
the Brig sloop Michael Fodger Master sailed from Port  
Jackson in the Month of September aforesaid, touched at  
New Zealand from thence made the Palmerstone Islands  
where the said Michael Fodger had theretofore in the  
Year one thousand Eight hundred and eleven left six  
Europeans four of whom were Englishmen and two  
Portugese, one of these men swam off to the Brig Daphne  
and when she was about seven Miles off Shore he informed  
Captain Fodger that John Bearback the Principal of the  
Gang and one Michael Guff, were killed, another was  
speared thro the back and the man that swam off ran into  
the Woods (and there remained until the Daphne made  
the Island, having been on the Island thirteen Months  
Captain Fodger would not remain in order to get off the  
Remainder of the Gang altho his crew requested him to do  
so, and offered to wave their Wages and live upon half  
allowance while he should remain off the Island - The  
Man who swam off informed Captain Fodger that it was  
the Portugese murdered Bearback and man, from thence  
the Brig Daphne proceeded to Ulisea one of the Society Islands  
and there procured a supply of Pork from thence made  
the Island of Bolabola and procured some more Pork  
and were informed that the Uleteans intended to attack  
Captain Fodger in the Brig Trial the Voyage before - here  
Captain Fodger shipped two Europeans who were left on  
the Island by some other vessel from Bolabola touched at  
the Island of Cemeo where the man who swam off at  
the Palmerstone Islands was left with Mr Henry the  
Missionary to give information relative to the Men  
murdered at the Islands, from Cemeo, made the Islands  
of Oticheta there shipped six natives as Divers from thence  
made the Island of Anna one of the Society Islands

and there shipped five natives and <sup>19</sup> a Lascar named Amie  
from thence made the Pearl Islands and procured a quantity  
of Pearls and Pearl Shells - being short of provisions the  
Daphne proceeded to Otaheite to procure a supply, the six  
natives before shipped there, not being paid for their services  
by Captain Rodger ran ashore - the Europeans of the crew  
complained of the bad provisions given them, Captain  
Rodger ordered five of the Europeans to be turned on shore  
without provisions or clothes directed his mate to shoot the  
first man that would go below for his clothes or things  
one man Henry Williams was shot by Rodger thro both  
thighs and another was wounded with the but end of a  
Pistol the names of these people are William Ralph, George  
Roberts, John Carr, James Welsh, and William Gerard - at  
length he allowed them to take their clothes and told a  
native Chief to send his men after these Europeans to  
strip them and beat their brains out with stones, this  
deponent saith that he saw this circumstance stated in  
the Journal of Mr. Davey an Officer of the Brig Queen  
Charlotte William Shelly Master as reported by the natives,  
at this Island Otaheite, Captain Rodger shipped fifteen  
other natives as divers, from thence sailed to the Island of  
Tabooay there shipped five Europeans formerly belonging  
to the Brig Trial - from thence made the Island of  
Koorootoo and shipped three natives there - from thence  
made an Island called Neematerra - three canoes very  
small came off to the ship there, were eighteen natives  
the canoes were so small that the natives were obliged  
to swim alongside them they brought some fruits -  
Panarars, Yarns and Plainains, the Captain invited  
them aboard they quitted the canoes let them adrift came  
on board - these Islanders appeared as if they had never before  
seen white people they addressed the Europeans with the  
greatest reverence fell down clasped and kissed their  
feet, they got a small bit of Iron hoop and a pearl shell  
each for their fruits, their canoes were swamped alongside  
the Brig was standing out to sea, it blew fresh - the land  
was about seven miles distant the Captain ordered the

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Mate to turn these Islanders out of the Ship which was done in a very cruel manner they were beat with a Ropes end turned over the Ships side and while clinging to the ship their hands were beaten they then swam to their Canoes which were already swamped and fourteen out of the eighteen were drowned at a short distance from the vessel, And this Deponent remonstrated with the Captain saying these men would be drowned unless they were assisted and upon a tack being made towards were the Canoes were it was too late they having been drowned, from thence the Brig made the Island of Seebroovi the Chief of the Island came on board and offered to sell Captain Fodger some Sandal Wood for English Cloths; the Captain offered him a few Tokes, these the Chief refused to take, the Captain made a Prisoner of the Chief and told him he should not go on shore until all the Sandal Wood the Chief had should be brought off, in the same Canoe with this Chief were two other Chiefs He fired a musket at the Canoe to seize them also, but they escaped Captain Fodger kept the Chief Prisoner until next day when his Subjects brought off all the Sandal Wood, they had about a Ton and half he then liberated the Chief and gave him only two puppy dogs and a piece of bad Otahite Cloth - from this Island proceeded to the Island of Anna and there shipped four men and from thence came to the Island of Arava, on the Twenty eighth of August the Tahitian and other coloured men of the Crew mutineer'd they killed Captain Fodger, William Gill and Christian Kisasky - Vanderkiste the Chief Mate was severely wounded and escaped out thro the Cabin Window into the Boat four others were wounded three more escaped to the Shore, the next day the mutineers put the wounded men on shore, These with the men who escaped were left on shore eight in Number Mr. Vanderkiste John Mellon Edward Collyer John Queen, Robert Roway, Joseph Shell Jerry Thompson and John Riley seven of the Crew, were spared, six of whom were Europeans and one, Lascar the mutineers compelled these men to navigate the Brig to Otahite and left the said Eight men on the Island altho earnestly requested to buy them off, the mutineers told the remaining Europeans if they persisted

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in asking to bring these men, themselves should be murdered  
the Island of Arava where the men were left is quite  
desert and barren, and they were left without any means  
of procuring subsistence, not even a fish hook - The Brig  
arrived at Matavia Bay Tahiti on the 31<sup>st</sup> August, shortly  
after the Brig Endeavor of Sydney Cove Theodore Walker  
Master came along side, He was informed of the mutiny and  
distress of the Daphne in the course of the night the  
mutineers fired on the Endeavor the fire was returned  
and continued about two hours and a half, after it had  
ceased in the course of the night the mutineers quitted the  
ship, about day break Captain Walker made a signal  
and being informed by the Europeans that the mutineers  
were gone came on board with an armed party, upon  
searching Amile the Lascar who was very active in the  
mutiny was found, Captain Walker carried him on board  
the Endeavor where he was immediately hanged on the  
Yard Arm by Walkers order, and while hanging and yet  
alive a Pistol loaded with large shot was fired into  
his side - Sailed from thence to Limeo to repair and  
the crew begged Captain Walker to go back to relieve  
the eight men left at Arava, but he could not, the  
wind being contrary, from thence came to Port Jackson

"Signed" Abraham Hendrick

me before me at  
Sydney New South Wales,  
16<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1813

"Signed" Samuel Marsden  
J.S.

John Jones seaman of the Brig Daphne Maketh  
Oath and saith that he this Deponent was employed as  
seaman on board the Brig Daphne all the time in  
the foregoing Affidavit of Abraham Hendrick stated, and  
that the said Affidavit is true and correct in substance  
and matter of fact

"Signed" John Jones

me before me at Sydney  
New South Wales the 16<sup>th</sup> day  
November 1813.

"Signed" J.S.

Thomas French seaman of the Brig Daphne Maketh oath and Saith that the foregoing affidavits of Abraham Hendriks has been read over to him that this Deponent shipped on board the Daphne at the Island of Taboo-way as therein mentioned and that the same as far as relates to the facts after this Deponent shipped as aforesaid are true and correct save that this Deponent does not recollect whether while the Sascar was hanged on the Yard Arm of the Endeavor or Daphne Brig, but he was hanged on one or either

Sworn before me at Sydney  
New South Wales the 16  
Nov. 1813

"Signed" His  
Thomas + French  
Mark

"Signed" Samuel Marsden  
JP

John Randall seaman of the Brig Daphne Maketh oath and Saith that the foregoing affidavits of Abraham Hendriks has been read over to this Deponent, and that this Deponent shipped on board the said Brig at the Island of Otahete as therein stated and that the same as far as relates to the facts stated since this Deponent shipped as aforesaid are true and correct -

"Signed" His  
John + Randall  
Mark

Sworn before me at Sydney  
New South Wales the  
day of November

"Signed"  
Samuel Marsden  
JP