

Bark Daniel Webster Edward

Friday May 4th 1877

Come in with moderate breeze from the S.W. and heavy rain. Ship went to at night by the creek with the view of obtaining chains and anchors from the at 7 A.M. sent a boat with a gang for the anchors at 12 M. but both anchors (1000 & 1800 lbs) on board, also all of one cable and a part of the other. at 4 had all on board with a lot of junk. Also sent 8c 3c. The chains were both good, measuring 100 on the large and 75 fathoms on the small and were 1 in 8 1 respectively. The chains from this were 4 pieces of 6 1/2 gals. each of Phospor. I found and sent 1 and 2 chains, about 2000 lbs. of standing rigging for old junk a lot of blocks, 4 good steele she 4 1/2 fms. sheet and a lot of other small chains. Hoisting Whimble 8c 3c. Discovered her register 21 are cut on the inner combings of the main hatch 404. At 4 P.M. fine weather at 8 half ship to the E.N.E. one sail in sight steering to the E. Lat. 40.45 N Long 44.24 W

Saturday May 5th 1877

Come in with moderate breeze from the N.W. and fine weather. Ship steering E.N.E. per compass with all part of sail cut. Nothing in sight all the day. Water blue with plenty of Saline Ticks and small Vitellinae. Men of War at 6 P.M. saw three sail steering to the N. Four men sick with the venereal. Watch employed in stowing the Span anchors and doing other work about ship. Lat. 41.43 N Long 43.28 W

Sunday May 6th 1877

Come in with moderate breeze from the S.W. and fine weather. Ship steering E.N.E. for the Com. Morris ground with all prudent sail on nothing in sight but two sails steering to the E. water rather green with some drift stuff. We find the Daniel Webster is a good sea boat but not so good a sailer as the 13th Pacific. Am well satisfied with my crew excepting Cook No Obs.

Bound Sperm Whaling,

Monday May 7th 1877

Come in with strong breeze from the N.W. and cloudy weather. Ship steering to the E.N.E. with all part of sail cut. Nothing in sight but two sails steering to the E. Rain all day in green water. Saw one turtle and five or six pieces of drift stuff and one fish bone. Water quite blue at night with some Stelleria. Lat. 42.55 N Long 47.46 W

Tuesday May 8th 1877

Come in with moderate breeze from the N.W. and misty clear weather. Ship steering to the E.N.E. with all sail on. at 12 M. calm. Watch employed about ship in fitting rigging 8c 3c. Cooper and Carpenter busy in fitting spades and doing other work about ship. Two sails in sight steering to the E. Lat. 44.09 N

Wednesday May 9th 1877

Come in with light breezes from the E. and cloudy weather. Ship to the wind to the N.E. with all sail cut. Two sails in sight. at 12 M. wind had changed to the S. with rather mild weather. Ship steering E.N.E. at sundown strong breezes from S. took in 1 M. last sail and going jib. Two sails in sight steering to the N. Lat. 44.15 N

Thursday May 10th 1877

All day hazy weather with strong breezes from the N.W. Ship steering E.N.E. all the day in the P.M. to the N. Several sails in sight some to the E. some to the W. at 6 P.M. calm. at 7 a light breeze from S and W. Lat. 46.13 N Long 53.53 W

Friday May 11th 1877

All day moderate breezes from N & W. and cloudy weather. Ship steering E.N.E. and E. for the Morris ground. Nothing in sight all day. water rather green and very barren. at sundown shuttled a very thing of life in the water. Saw three long tailed birds the A.M. Lat 47 09 Long 51.50 W