

## Bark Daniel Webster Cruising in the North Atlantic Ocean in 1877

Monday Sept 3d 1877

Comes in with fresh breezes from the E and squally weather. Ship in the passage between Flores and Carvo. One sail a schooner in sight to the leeward, sailing. In the P. M. another sail came in sight to the leeward, a schooner working up from the leeward. At 11 A. M. went on shore at Fajjan Grande recruits obtained Onions, Potatoes, Chickens &c.

At night had three boats from the shore. Tobacco cloth &c.

Tuesday Sept 4th

Comes in with light airs and calms. At 11 A. M. kept off to the N. with all sails set for a cruise. In the A. M. calm. In the P. M. a light breeze from the N. at 7 tacked to the E. N. E. Nothing in sight but Flores & Carvo.

Wednesday Sept 5th

Comes in with strong gales from the N. and clear weather. Ship by the wind to the N. W. with all prudent sail out cruising. Saw through the day two or three sails steering to the E. Saw one school of jumpers and several birds. Lat 40.09

Thursday Sept 6th

Comes in with fresh breezes from N. N. E. and quite clear weather. Ship by the wind to the N. W. with all sail out cruising. At 12 M. raised sperm Whales from the Mizen. at 12 M. lowered three boats and chased. Bow boat on and slightly fastened the iron drawing out in a short time. Then Waist boat struck the sperm whale. Killed him and towed him to the ship. It being a calm. call him a 100 blb. saw several Whales but could strike no more. got ready for cutting and set the watch at 8 1/2 P. M. saw several schools of porpoises and several birds. Lat 40.38

Friday Sept 7

Comes in with fresh breezes from S. W. and squally weather. at 5 1/2 hooked on to the whale and commenced cutting. at 12 M. had the head off and the body cut in. In the P. M. took in junk and bailed the case and at 6 P. M. started the works. Nothing in sight all day. Lat 40.18 Long 34.06

Saturday Sept 8th

Comes in with showers weather ship lying to under easy sail sailing. at 10 A. M. quite clear set main topsail and foresail. In the P. M. saw two sail. Water blue and clear, no ind. of Whales. Long 34.09

Sunday Sept 9th

Comes in with strong breezes from N. and overcast ship by the wind to the N. under easy sail sailing. in the A. M. growing moderate. middle sail saw some birds, water blue but no indications of whales. saw several sails through the day, finished sailing in the evening. whale making over 100 blbs. As turned up on deck. Lat 40.24 N. Long 34.15 W

Monday Sept 10th

Comes in with moderate breezes from N. W. and fine weather. Ship by the wind to the N. N. E. with all prudent sail out cruising. several sails in sight some steering to the E. and some to the W. at 8 A. M. were ship heading to the N. employed in various jobs about ship. Lat 40.30 N. No Long.

Tuesday Sept 11th

Comes in with fresh breezes from the S. W. and hazy weather. Ship steering to the N. under sail, all in the A. M. employed in stowing oil in the main hold. put down 116 blbs. Nothing in sight all day but one sail. In the P. M. steering N. W. under canvas and lower topsails. Lat 40.39 Long 34.40 W