

Bark Daniel Webster Cruising in

Thursday Nov. 1st 1877

Comes in with strong gales from N.W. and squally weather. Ship by the wind to the S.W. of the island of Flores lying off and on. All the A.M. working for Santa Cruz. — strong currents to the S make little progress. Kate Williams off and on. One sailer to the leeward looking like the Com. Morris. Worked up all the P.M.

Friday Nov. 2d

Comes in with moderate breezes from the E. and S. and what squally with small rain. Ship to the E. of Flores standing in at daylight for a week. — at 8 went on shore at St. Cruz but did not get on board again until 2 P.M. Bring off a man that agreed to ship as cook belonging to the W. of the island at Fajun Grande. To which place I must go tomorrow to obtain the Cook's clothing. — At sunset ship quite close the shore and a calm. lowered three boats and towed the ship off shore for an hour, then a light breeze springing up, called boats on board. Bk Kate Williams off and on discharging cargo.

Saturday Nov. 3d

Comes in with moderate breezes from W. and calms. Ship by the wind to the S.W. off the E. end of Flores with the view of getting a man that I had agreed with as cook from Fajun Grande. at 8 A.M. left the ship for the shore and landed about 11 A.M. at dusk arrived on board again with the man and a few recruits consisting of 10 Bu. of Potatoes 36 Pumpkins 500 Onions 18 Fowls 4 or 5 Doz. Eggs &c &c.

Sunday Nov. 4th

Comes in with light winds from the N.W. and squally weather. Ship by the wind to S.W. cruising off the W. of Flores. Nothing in sight but the two islands in A.M. sent boat on shore with cook whose name is Manuel Matias de Silva. for the remainder of his clothes, not being able to obtain them yesterday. The boat being unable to land came on board again by 1 P.M. ship cruising to the E. at 4 P.M. kept off S. to

the North Atlantic Ocean in the year 1877

Remarks on Board Monday Nov. 5th

Comes in with strong breezes from E. N. and cloudy weather. Ship lying off and on at leeward obtaining recruits from where received in the P.M. eggs & fowls, paid in Tobacco & Calico. — Saw Com. Morris lying under Flores. — at 3 P.M. made sail for Fayal. Saw White Water but could not make it out. Strong breezes from W. S. W.

Tuesday Nov. 6th

Comes in with light winds from W. and thick rainy weather. Ship running for Fayal under easy sail. at 7 the fog lifts we saw the Isle of Fayal bearing to the N. hauled up for the passage. The wind having shifted to the N.W. at 2 P.M. came to an anchor in 20 fathoms. Let go starboard anchor at first but the chain getting foul was obliged to let go the other. By this time we had set well down upon an English schooner. After the customs officers had been on board we then hove up the starboard anchor and hauled the vessel into a better position then let it go and hove up the Port anchor.

Found several vessels at anchor at Fayal among them the Com. Morris, Ohio, Medus, Eliza Addams, Olper, and lying off and on Barks Kathleen, Petrel, & Josephine.

Wednesday Nov. 7th

Comes in with moderate breezes from the south. — all hands employed in breaking out oil &c. at 9 P.M. Bark Kate Williams, Hale from Boston came in to the harbor running foul of a three masted schooner ahead of us. pressing the schooner down athwart our bows in the mean time that the H. W. passed along through the fleet and came to an anchor well to the leeward, but the schooner lay across our bows we endeavoring to get clear of them by paying out chain, and not until about 4 A.M. on Thursday did we get clear. We lost sprit sail yard, some slide boards, and broke head rail and both Bobstays, and doing other slight damage. We shall call on Capt. Hale to make good all damage by the collision.