

Bark Daniel Webster Cruising in

Remarks Wednesday January 30th

Comes in with a gale of wind and rain from S. E. ship lying to under mainstaysail head up E. N. E. Last night about 10 P. M. while aloft furling upper maintopsail Antonio fell from the yard into the mainhold. The mainmast being off. He was taken up & carried for the best that could be done. He was considerably bruised but no bones broken as could be ascertained. The greatest wonder is that he is still alive. All through the day he seemed to be in great pain, but through the effect of an opiate, by which he was able to obtain some sleep and dressing his bruises was considerably easier toward night but one spot directly over the lower rib on the left side, about as large as a dime piece was the skin broken, we suppose to have been caused by striking between two casks, his clothing being cut and flesh broken on the reverse on the casks. The wedging in between the casks on falling is the only way we can account for no broken bones, or his life being spared. This P. M. the wind hauls to the S. W. bringing much rain thunder & lightning. No Obs.

Thursday Jan. 31st

Comes in with strong gales from N. E. W. and cloudy weather. At 9 A. M. kept ship to the N. E. under bare poles & kept so till sunset when hove to & set mainstaysail heading N. W. saw through the day one sail, one finback and one school of porpoises. Lat 29.04 N Long 78.41 W

Friday February 1st

Comes in with strong gales from the N. E. and cloudy weather. Ship hove to under mainstaysail heading up N. N. W. at 10 set the topsails. At 11 hove ship to the S. E. & set foresail & mainstaysail. Saw two sails and two finbacks through the day. Water blue & green alternately. Antonio Joseph is quite easy. Lat 29.43 N Long 77.31 W

the North Atlantic Ocean in the year 1878

Saturday February 2d

Comes in with strong breezes from S. E. and fine clear weather. Ship by the wind to the S. W. with all sail out cruising. Saw one school of porpoises and finback some Dolphins & large patches of Gulf weed. In the P. M. wind to S. W. ship to the S. E. at 4 1/2 P. M. spoke Admiral Blake both coming on board. Had seen nothing but Black fish & finbacks had taken three of the former making about five bbls. of oil. At 9 P. M. kept the wind on board his vessel. Lat 28.43 N Long 77.30 W

Sunday Feb. 3d

Comes in with fresh breezes from the S. and overcast looking like a storm. Ship by the wind to the W. N. W. with all prudent sail out, cruising saw through the day two or three schools of porpoises. At 4 P. M. wore ship and took in sail heading E. N. E. Have seen several Dolphins & three schools of porpoises. Rainy weather. Lat 28.19 N Long 78.08 W

Monday Feb. 4th

Comes in with strong gales from the W. and cloudy weather. Ship by the wind to the S. W. with lower topsails and foresail. Nothing in sight all day but Gulf weed. Water blue & clear. At sunset wore ship heading N. the weather still looking stormy. Lat 27.50 N Long 78.30 W

Tuesday Feb. 5th

Comes in with strong gales from N. W. and overcast. Ship by the wind to the N. N. E. with all prudent sail but cruising. Nothing in sight all day. Water quite blue and some Gulf weed. Lat 28.04 N Long 78.29 W

Wednesday Feb. 6th

Comes in with gales of wind from N. E. and continues through the day ship steering N. N. E. per compass wind hauling to the E. Lat 28.52 N Long 78.10 W