

## Bark Daniel Webster Cruising on

Remarks on Board Wednesday June 19<sup>th</sup> 1878  
Comes in with fresh breezes from N.E. and sun weather with fog and rain. Ship steering N.W. with all prudent sail out cruising. Saw in the A.M. three whalers and three merchantmen. Water blue. In the P.M. steering S. per compass at 4 spoke Bkr. Ohio & Com. Morris. the C.M. had taken two whales since last saw, hailing 350 bbls this sea. the Ohio had not, like ourselves, seen a whale. Saw two finbacks and two schools of porpoises.  
Lat. 49° 50.05' N. Long. 23° 22' W.

Thursday June 20<sup>th</sup> 1878

Comes in with strong gales from N.W. and overcast. Ship by the wind to the N.E. with whole topsails, courses, jib & spanker, cruising. Three other whalers in sight and several merchantmen. The whaler steering in to N.E. at 1 P.M. wire ship standing S. Water green all day, saw two finbacks and two schools of porpoises. At night took in sail heading S.W. only one whaler in sight.  
Lat. 50° 15' N. Long. 24° 29' W.

Friday June 21<sup>st</sup>

All day strong gales from S.W. and wet with fog and rain. Ship by the wind on different tacks cruising with all prudent sail out. Saw through the day several schools of porpoises and several finbacks and Sulphur Bottoms. Water Blue and Green alternately. Saw several sails. One whaler steering N.W.  
Lat. 49° 09' N. Long. 24° 22' W.

Saturday June 22<sup>d</sup> 1878

All day strong gales from S.W. and fog with rain. Ship by the wind on different tacks under easy sail. Saw several sails, merchantmen. Signalized a Swedish Bark bound to the N. Water Blue and Green alternately. Saw porpoises and caught one. Saw several finbacks and Sulphur Bottoms, but nothing indicating whales. One man, "Bob" sick with the rheumatism, off duty.  
Lat. 49° 16' N. No Long.

## the Morris Ground in the year 1878

Remarks on Board Sunday June 23<sup>d</sup> 1878  
Comes in with light winds, calms and a thick fog. Ship lying under easy sail at 10 A.M. fog lifts. Made sail and stood E.N.E. under all light sails. At 11 tacked to the N.N.W. Saw through the fog plenty of porpoises and about a dozen Humpbacks. Water in the morn Green with some jellies and small crustaceans. All the P.M. water Blue. Saw three whalers. Two steering W. and the other steering E. At night took in sail all but lower topsails and kept ship W. per compass. Lat. 49° 11' N. Long. 23° 04' W.

Monday June 24<sup>th</sup> 1878

Comes in with moderate breezes from S.W. and overcast. Ship steering N.W. with all sail out. Saw through the day plenty of porpoises and caught two, also saw about 6 dozen Sulphur Bottoms and finbacks. Several merchantmen steering to E & W. passed Bark Clarence steering to the E. In the P.M. saw a whaler boiling. Could not name him. Also saw two vessels together working to the W. which we call whalers and gamming. Water in the A.M. Blue but somewhat changeable. In the P.M. water Green.  
Lat. 49° 26' N. Long. 23° 28' W.

Tuesday June 25<sup>th</sup> 1878

Comes in with moderate breezes from N.W. and fine pleasant weather. Ship by the wind to the N.S.W. with all sail out cruising. Water Green. Three whalers in sight. One boiling, the same we saw yesterday, we call it the Minerva. Several merchantmen and one Steamer in sight. Saw a number of Sulphur Bottoms and three or four schools of porpoises. In the A.M. made two or three tacks to windward, but in the P.M. standing to the N. in a stiff breeze from W. N.W. which caused us to reduce sail. At night but one sail in sight, the Minerva boiling. Water very Blue.  
Lat. 49° 21' N. Long. 23° 55' W.