

Bark Daniel Webster Cruising

Remarks on Board Tuesday Sept. 17th 1878
Comes in with light winds from the S. and thick hazy weather. Ship by the wind off to the E. of Flores working up for Santa Cruz. At 9^h A.M. went on shore with my boat to obtain recruits and at 12^h 6 P.M. came off again with the necessary recruits. Two men, the cook we ship here last fall, and Antonio Jose did not come on board. Both have probably deserted as they have taken all their cloths with them. Obtained at Santa Cruz. Fowls, Beef, Eggs &c. paying in cash for all.

Wednesday Sept. 18th 1878

Comes in with light air and calms from the N.W. and thick hazy weather. Ship lying off to the S. E. of Flores working around the island to the S. for the Port of Faján Grande for the purpose of obtaining the cook. At 1 P.M. within about 3 miles of the village of Lagers when a boat from the shore alongside supposing us to be the Bark Lagoda all the P.M. calm. Ship making but little progress to the S.W. Saw one sail to the S. steering to the E.

Thursday Sept. 19th 1878

Comes in with light baffling winds from the N.W. and fine weather. Ship off the S.W. of Flores working up for Faján Grande for the purpose of obtaining the cook and Antonio Jose. At 9 P.M. went on shore. Saw the cook who refuses to go on board again, ordered him to go on board, but no threats or persuasion would induce him to do so. Remained on shore until nearly sunset. Saw Antonio Jose also, and ordered him to get into the boat and go on board but he secreted himself away and could not be found.

Done some trading, and obtained about 2000 Onions, some Sweet & 2 Potatoes Fowls Eggs &c. in the evening two boats came alongside for cloths and cloth. Sold about 400 lbs of Tobacco. Two men belonging to Pico that took out of a boat last fall off Fajal, went on shore in one of the boats. Ship off the W. of Flores.

in the North Atlantic Ocean in 1878

Remarks on Board Friday Sept. 20th 1878

Comes in with light air from the S.W. and overcast. Ship off the W. of Flores. At 7^h left the ship for Ponta delgada for the purpose of settling a small bill made there on Monday last. Settled it and arrived on board again at 10^h then took a breeze and kept the ship off through the passage with larvo on the left for Fajal. One sail in sight steering to the N.E. all the P.M. light air and calm. At sunset Flores bearing N.W. per compass. Dist 13 miles - heavy clouds rising in the N. indicating a storm.

Saturday Sept. 21st 1878

Comes in with light baffling winds from S.W. and hazy weather. Ship steering S.E. by S. for Fajal that land being in sight ahead Dist. 30 miles. Saw two sails, one ahead and the other astern. Watch employed in washing ship on the outside. In the P.M. wind from the N. at sunset Fajal bearing S.E. by S. Dist 13 miles.

Sunday Sept. 22d 1878

Comes in with light winds from the S.E. and fine pleasant weather. Ship off coast to Blanco south side of Fajal, working up for the harbor of Ponta. all the A.M. calm. at 1 P.M. left the ship with starboard boat for the shore for letters &c. arriving in about 5 P.M. sending the boat off with Mr. Marguand who we found awaiting our arrival at Fajal. also Capt. Davis & J. Redington, the latter coming out to join the ship as 3d mate.

Monday Sept 23d 1878

Comes in with light breezes from the N.E. and fine weather. Ship working up for the Harbor of Fajal. At 2 P.M. Came to an anchor at Ponta in 18 fathoms of water with Starboard anchor - just at night took a moving anchor and chain from the shore - have agreed to ship our oil by Bk. Veronica of and for Keiv Bedford setting up shocks and breaking out oil.