

Bark Daniel Webster Cruising Toward

Remarks On Board Friday Nov. 1st 1878

Comes in with moderate breezes from S. E. and weather ship steering S. E. with all sail out for Brava Cape de Verde. Watch employed in fitting and painting Boats and other work about ship. Put out the Launch Boat having taken her in yesterday and took in Mast Boat for repair. Painted Mast Boat.

Lat at merid 26.35 S.

Saturday Nov. 2d 1878

Comes in with light baffling winds from all points and calms. Steering S. W. with all sail out water clear and blue. Several Dolphins around the ship caught three, employed in fitting and painting Boats &c.

Lat. 26.24 N. No Longy.

Sunday Nov. 3d 1878

Comes in with light baffling winds from the S. and calms. Ship working to the S. E. with all sail out. In the A. M. caught a turtle saw two schools of porpoises and two or three birds.

Lat. 23.44 N. 10' 00" E. for S.

Monday Nov. 4th 1878

Comes in with light airs and calms. Ship steering S. W. one sail and a steamer in sight both bound S. W. at 10 A. M. took a light breeze from the N. hauling to the N. E. Watch employed in fitting and repairing boats and doing other work about ship. Nothing in sight indicating whales.

Lat. 23.24 N. Longy 17 30 W.

Tuesday Nov. 5th 1878

Comes in with moderate breezes from N. E. and weather ship steering S. W. by W. for the day of the Watch employed in repairing Mast boat and getting out shuddersails. Main royal &c. three sails in sight, a steamer bound N. E. and a Brig bound to the S. W. — no indications of whales. Water blue and clear.

Lat. 24.31 N. E. obs.

the South Atlantic Ocean in the year 1878.

Remarks On Board Wednesday Nov. 6th 1878

Comes in with light baffling winds from all points of the compass, and calms. Ship steering S. W. by W. with all sail out. Watch employed in repairing Mast Boat shifting topsails. Pousail and doing other work about ship. Have put nineteen new planks in to the Mast Boat and raised her gunwales about two inches. Have changed fore and maintopsails and bent new foresail. Two sails in sight; the Brig we saw yesterday and a steamer bound S. Plenty of Skiffjack around the ship all day. Caught two.

Lat. 22.48 N. Longy 19.24 W.

Thursday Nov. 7th 1878

Comes in with moderate S. E. trades and fine weather. Ship steering S. W. by W. with all sail out. Watch employed in fitting Boats. Painting them &c. Put out Mast Boat on Starboard Boats cranes. One sail a Brig steering S. W. in sight also a Steamer steering S. E. W.

Lat. 22.51 Longy 20.10 W.

Friday Nov. 8th 1878

All day moderate S. E. trades with fine weather. Ship steering S. W. by W. with all sail out. One sail in sight a Brig the same we saw yesterday, steering S. W. and a steamer steering S. E. Watch employed in dressing cut timber from the spar we picked up last summer, for a house to be built over the tryworks, and doing other duties about ship. Got the Blacksmiths Forge up and put in order for work.

Lat. 21.30 N. Longy 20.35 W.

Saturday Nov. 9th 1878

All day light S. E. trades and fine weather. Ship steering S. W. with all sail out. Watch employed in dressing timber for the house over the tryworks and doing other work about ship. In the P. M. saw Blackfish, a large school. Run for them thinking they were Sperrn Whales at first.

Lat 20.20 N Longy 21 10 W.