

Bark Daniel Webster Cruising in the South

Remarks on board Thursday March 6th.
Comes in with moderate breezes from the E. and clear weather. Ship by the wind to the E. N. with all prudent sail out in company with Bk. Swallow. At 8 A.M. Capt. Sherman with wife and child came on board for a gun. A part of the day standing in shore. Raised anchor and tacked off at 11 A.M. at 2 P.M. Capt. Sherman and family returned on board of Bk. While having strong breezes. At sunset moderate breezes. Saw in the P.M. Kittles. Soundings Lat. 48.33 S.

Friday March 7th

Comes in with strong breezes from the E. and squally weather. Ship steering to the E. N. E. per compass with all prudent sail out, nothing in sight all day. Lat. 48.16 S. Soundings

Saturday March 8th

All day moderate breezes from the E. and clear weather. At 6 1/2 A.M. spoke Bk. Josephine. Lat. 48.16 S. with 180. Sperrm. this season. Capt. Long came on board and remained until 9 P.M. — Steering E. N. E. all day but nothing in sight all day. Lat. 48.88 S. Soundings

Sunday March 9th 1879

All the A.M. light airs and calm, Bk. Josephine and a strange Bark in sight. all sailing to the E. In the P.M. moderate breezes from the E. N. E. Nothing more in sight. No birds but saw two or three porpoises. Water green with some slicks and Brit. Bk. Josephine spoke the strange bark. Lat. 48.14 S. Soundings

Monday March 10th 1879

All day strong breezes from the E. N. E. and cloudy weather. In the A.M. Ship to the E. N. E. with all prudent sail out. Cruising. In the P.M. heading E. Josephine in sight. Lat. 48.29 S. Long. 62.20

Atlantic Ocean Right Whaling in 1879

Tuesday March 11th 1879

Comes in with light winds from the E. N. and hazy weather. Ship by the wind to the E. N. E. until 7 A.M. when tacked to the W. at 9 A.M. the wind hauled to the E. N. E. and the to E. N. and E. with fresh breezes. Bk. Josephine in sight. At 1 P.M. Capt. Long came on board and remained until 6 1/2 P.M. Both ships steering to the E. N. E. per compass. Water in the A.M. Blue, in the P.M. Green. Soundings 60 fathoms. Lat. 44.29 S. Long. 60.61.01

Wednesday March 12th 1879

Comes in with moderate breezes from the E. N. and hazy weather. Ship steering E. N. E. per compass. Bk. Josephine in sight also steering E. N. E. with all sail out. Water Green and thick but no birds, porpoises or anything else indicating whales. Soundings 60. Lat. 43.29 S. Long. 60.10

Thursday March 13th 1879

All day moderate breezes from the E. N. and clear weather. Ship by the wind to the E. N. E. with all sail out. Bark Josephine in sight steering to the E. N. E. — Water green all the A.M. in the P.M. water Blue, among tide rips — judge ourselves on the edge of the Banks. At dusk shortened sail and wore ship to the W. N. W. Lat. 43.06 S.

Friday March 14th 1879

Comes in with moderate breezes from the E. N. and smoky weather — poor seeing. Ship on different tacks working to the E. N. E. with all prudent sail out. Cruising. Saw several finbacks and one school of porpoises and a few birds. Lat. 42.39 S. Long. 59.20

Saturday March 15th 1879

Comes in with fresh breezes from E. N. and clear ahead but thick smoky horizon — poor seeing. Ship on different tacks. Saw several finbacks in the A.M. also saw a few birds. Lat. 42.21 S. Soundings 65