

yard backed and one of the boatstems secured by a rope was lowered over the side and after some difficulty made fast with another and having rigged a purchase aloft we hoisted in the piece without much trouble and then lashed it to the rail. During the rest of the day shipped a deal of water but the wind began to abate and at 6 P.M. hauled more westerly with weather more moderate and heavy swell. Lat $39^{\circ}45'$ Lon $31^{\circ}35'$

August 17th

Fine again and all sail steering westerly with light winds from N. N. W. Steward being unwell I have officiated in his place today 3^d mate no better Lat $39^{\circ}38'$ Lon $31^{\circ}46'$

August 18th

No change Lat $39^{\circ}42'$ Lon $31^{\circ}41'$

August 19th

Ditto — No obs.

August 20th

With small breezes stood in this morning towards the island steering nearly N. E. Saw Flores at 7 A.M. also made a sail. Spoke her at 11. proved to be the Bark

A. Hanton Capt. Marble 3 months out from Fall River, one whale Tacked at 4 P.M. and stood off again Intend to go in soon for supplies

August 21st

More pleasant weather Shook our course for the island again and at 8 A.M. it bore E. 15 miles. Saw also a sail standing towards the same Spoke her while she was coming out on the other tack It was the Ship Sally Ann Capt. Hathaway from New Bedford Clear 6 weeks from home and bound round the Horn.

August 22nd

Gentle breezes and stormy Lay off and on by the island but could not get our potatoes on account of the rain About 4 P.M. as the storm began to abate several boats came along side loaded with fruit of various kinds Took on board a good supply of grapes and apples the latter rather sour but will grow palatable with age The Capt. of the Sally Ann which is lying off and on came on board about this time Among the boats crew boarding us was an old acquaintance whom I was pleased to see and the first I have met since I left home