

Bark John Quinn, Capt. Hugh J. Wicks

Friday July 26th 1867

Weather cloudy with a strong wind from the N. Steaming from E to NE At 5 P.M. picked up a large yellow pine spar about 50 feet long and 2 feet square, got it hoisted up alongside, and lashed. Named the bark Draco Capt. Beale of New Bedford 16 months out 650 Bls sperm, saw nothing around here

Sunday July 28th

Weather clear and blowing very strong from N course NE under double reefed topsails. Yesterday cut up the spar for firewood. Capt. Wicks thiced all up the masts by the thumbs for disobeying orders and for refusing duty. But only kept him 15 minutes. He promised to behave himself. Raised a school of killers this A.M. Yesterday picked up a Bl of Petroleum

Wednesday July 31st

Weather thick and disagreeable with strong breeze from N. course SE At noon raised a school of Black fish on port bow. Lowered for them with barbed, waist, and bow harts. but did not get any At 5:30 P.M. raised the Island of Cross ahead Picked up a piece of Petroleum oil yesterday

Thursday August 1st

Weather cloudy with a strong wind from SW steering N. This A.M. took out all the oil, which was in the rubber room, refilled and covered it. Spoke this A.M. bark Old Fellow of Sag Harbor 25 months out with 100 Bls all told 650 of sperm. She took a 100 Bl whale between St George and Pico two weeks ago. The only whale that has been seen around the Islands this season. Raised the Island of Fayal one point off the weather bow at Noon. Saw three whales this P.M. but did not speak them. 7 P.M. towed of Fayal on our weather beam 10 miles

Lying in Fayal Harbor

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Friday August 2nd 1867

Weather pleasant with a good breeze 6:30 A.M. went ashore and landed at Fayal. staid ashore all day, and had a first rate time. Brought aboard, onions, cabbages, potatoes, green corn, apples and plums. Ship Europa was lying off and on. She is bound to New Bedford direct this evening. I sent a letter by her, also sent 5 by mail. The bark E.S. Phillips of Boston was also taking off and on. 16 months out 150 Bls of sperm. At daylight brought us off three tons of coal, and carried our oil ashore to be shipped home. The following are the gauges of casks 256+175+161+192+196+223+226+219+198+196+226+2237

Saturday August 3rd

Came to anchor at 6 A.M. Took out casks and sent a raft of them ashore. At 6 P.M. towed a raft of casks aboard, and filled the casks in the fore hold. Messrs Anderson and Cook went ashore this evening. A boat came alongside from the bark Catalpa this afternoon which was laying off me

Sunday August 4th

At 6 A.M. went ashore with a raft of casks 7 A.M. all hands went ashore on a run 5:30 P.M. greenhands came aboard. Every one had a gay time

Monday August 5th

Weather fine. 6 A.M. went ashore and towed off a raft of water. 7 A.M. a boat came alongside with onions and potatoes. 8 P.M. towed another raft of water aboard, and stowed it in the main hold. At 6 P.M. the Capt. came aboard with load of fruit consisting of 344 Eggs, Peas, Plums, Onions, and four small pigs. - Got underway at 7 P.M. with a light wind. Laid off and on until 11 P.M. a boat came alongside and smuggled some tobacco ashore