

Journal of a Whaling Ship on board Ship Shoon Capt

Description of the Westerns seen by Ship Shoon
Flores This Island contains 1000 inhabitants it has
two towns both on the Eastern side, Santo Cruz and Sagueo
and 4 villages. The chief productions are incomes wheat of excel-
lent quality, cattle sheep and Hogs cloth and woolen stuffs
the exports are wheat cloth, bacon with the word of maps called
Cochillo used for a dye the Town of Santo Cruz lies in the lat 39° 29'

Graciosa is said to take its name from its beauty and
fertility in corn, pastures and cattle supply. Perceira and
several of the other Islands with it great part of their produce
it is the most fertile of all the Azores and has about 1000
inhabitants distributed in two towns and villages. The
greatest extent of the Island of ~~St~~ 8 miles but in this extent
the quantity of Produce produced is almost incredible
together with wheat maize wine and all kinds kinds of fruit
and vegetables of Sheeps Hogs and of the inhabitants have
more than they can consume the only scarce article is wood
this obtained from St George and Sao the Chief town
is Santo Cruz on the N E side

St George This Island lies at the distance of 3 leagues from
Olea and is separated from Graciosa by a channel 3 leagues
in width. It is long narrow Island about 9 leagues in length
and not more than one in an every breadth on its south
coast is a small town called Vila. It has about 11000
inhabitants and exports wine and has fine cheese the produce
of wheat and maize is not equal to the consumption
of the inhabitants the lower class comes on the coast of the income

Pagel This Island has been celebrated for its excellent pastures
rich wood &c the air always mild and pure the cold of winter
is never felt and the heat of summer is always tempered by refreshing
winds. Its inhabitants are computed at about 11000. The Island
produce wheat and maize sufficient for its consumption and
of the cattle produced here is not sufficient for its

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Norris Pouchon in North Atlantic Ocean
consumption and supplies are sent from St George the produce of
wine is scanty the Church people being owners of the best
Vineyards of Sao and they ship their Wine from that port
to Europe and America. A great quantity of woolen
baskets are made here

Picottis Islands derives its name from the remarkable peak or
volcanic Mountain on it the Peak is described as filled with dark
volcanic caverns which frequently emit fire and smoke
Sao contains about 22000 inhabitants who occupy 8 towns and 11
villages little grain is produced which chiefly exported from the
neighbouring Islands. Wine is the staple commodity and is
the best in the Azores the cattle are numerous and excellent
fruit is abundant and equally fine they have cedar and timber
including a beautiful kind called Peixo and is sold only
by order from government

Perceira This island is fertile and healthy the lower
districts here as at Produca excellent since the land yields large
crops of wheat and other grain pastures for cattle and a prodigious quan-
tity of Simmonds Branges and of the fruit of Hot and cold countries
the Capital is Angra on the south side where reside the
governor of the Azores this Island contains about 30000 inhabitants
it around the Island the Island fishes a good quantity are
abundant

St Michael This Island appears to have been originally a
Rain covered with beautiful trees rich verdure an aromatic
climate at the present it consists of a number of Mountains hills
and declivities some of which are primitive but evidently
the production of volcanic eruptions this Island contains
about 10,000 inhabitants the rich level country is properly
adapted to corn wheat and beans in the districts the Pine
and Branges the exports to Portugal are corn, hulse, poultry
cattle and vegetables and the imports tobacco sugar Coffee
trinkets Distillations images of Saints &c
The Religion of these Islands is Roman Catholic and they
are subject to the King of Portugal