

Journal of A Whaling Voyage by Thomas C. Hopper

1840 Ship Grand Turk May Wind East

Mon. 19 At 5 A.M. began to cut in
two whales got him in at 11
began to try out at 1 P.M.
A light breeze warm clear land
got badly cut in the face by a whale

Tues. 20 Trying out a very light breeze &
warm clear to the land

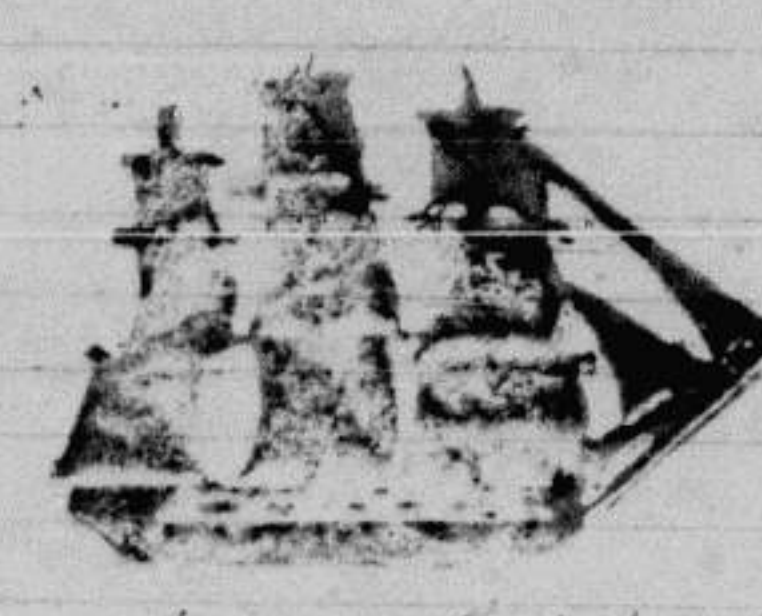
Wed. 21 A very light breeze very warm &
land close to cut in a whale
at 5 P.M. No whales in sight

Thurs. 22 A light breeze warm clear
the land at 1 P.M. sail in sight
maneuvering as after whale
copied out oil made 40 bbls
at 7 P.M. Squared yards course
above

Fri. 23 Hauled down our oil wind very
light we are just between the two
Islands Saint Michaels and
Plover. Landed for black fish
they were going for just a
bit to Plover then and clearing
landed my boat

Sat. 24 Between the Islands of Plover
Saint George and Graciosa
saw the Bark of Plover at a distance
of about 40
miles out
had 45 bbls
of sperm oil
board from
the ship South
Boston of
Fair Haven
250 bbls sperm oil A much light
breeze day and warm
fully clear at 11 P.M.
sailed a purpur h. f.

St. Michaels
Graciosa
Plover
Saint George
Fair Haven



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Mon. 25 Spoke Ship South Boston
Fair Haven
250 bbls sperm
oil 3 other bbls
in sight
A light breeze
warm clear
to the land
Saint George Graciosa and
Plover in sight Shortened sail

Tues. 26 A. H. Colman C. H. Hopper to
light breeze The Champion and
South Boston in sight
Plover fin back and purpur
to the land a few miles of the
land Saint George and
Graciosa in sight warm
Shortened sail at sun down

Wed. 27 A very pleasant breeze
Spoke a fishing boat belonging
to the ship brought some
excellent fish of them
Three sail in sight also
fin back and purpur close
to the land saw within 10
miles of it warm Shortened sail

Thurs. 28 A very light breeze Spoke
Ship of
Fair Haven
6 traps cut no
at 1 P.M. fin
back and
to the land
warm day close to the land
at 1 P.M. a very breeze

Fri. 29 A very strong breeze close to the
land 1/2 mile in sight also
fin back and Graciosa and
Saint George and very cloudy
Shortened sail

South Boston
Fair Haven
Plover
Saint George
Graciosa

