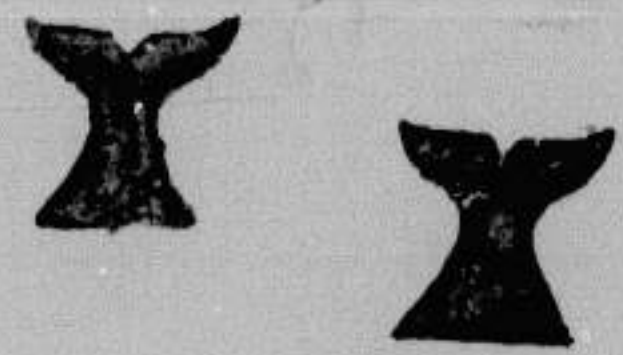


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Remarks on board Ship Majestic Monday May 24th

Moderate breezes from the NNE in the ice under short sail the weather thick employed on trying out at 5 Am saw a bow head at the same time spoke the Champion of Edgartown had been fast and lost 300 fathoms of line the middle part the wind freshened at 12 past 3 Am saw a bow head toward the east and starboard boats but did not fasten 16 sails in sight 5 of them boiling

Lat 60° 51'



Remarks Tuesday May 25th

Pleasant breezes from the NNE under double reef topsails in the ice employed on boiling saw several California greys at 8 Am saw land bearing NW saw a bow head at the same time toward the bow and larboard boats but could not fasten the middle part light breezes at 6 Am the starboard and waist boats toward for bowheads as they supposed but whitch turned out to be scamper downs heaved a head like a porpoise the 4th mate struck one and he took his line but the waist boat fastened again and at 12 past 9 took him along side finished boiling at 11-20 was this day

Remarks Wednesday May 26th

Light airs and calms in the ice it being heavy employed on trying out several sails in sight to the S W boiling at 6 Am saw a bowhead toward the bow and larboard boats but without success the land in sight bearing NW to NNE the wind light and baffling some of the ice very heavy 4 sails in sight to the S E working through the ice at 10 Am finished boiling



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Remarks on board Ship Majestic Thursday May 27th

Came in with light airs and calms under double reef fore and mizen and whole main topsails in sight from all points of the compass some very heavy working to the Northward the 4 ships to the S E working the same way at 6 Am commenced stowing down at 12 Am saw bowheads but could not fower for them on account of the ice the latter part the ice more thin and watering so ends this day with light breezes from the ESE the weather thick



Remarks Friday May 28th

Light breezes from the ESE and foggy in the wind on the starboard tack binding NW with the head yards aback employed on stowing down the oil on the starboard side in the main hatch at 2 Am saw bowheads toward but could not strike at 4 Am came along side one sail in sight to the SE Capt Macomber is unwell and unable to be on deck the middle and latter parts the wind light from the same quarter the weather continues thick at 6 Am recommenced stowing oil one sail in sight to the Southward no opening in the ice to be seen Lat 60° 52'

Remarks Saturday May 29th

Came in with light breezes from the NNE going too on the starboard tack with the head yards aback at 1 Am saw a bowhead but could not lower on account of the ice at 4 Am finished stowing down and at 8 Am wore ship the middle part calm and foggy at 5 Am commenced clearing boom at 9 Am saw a bowhead toward the starboard and waist boats but did not strike the latter part light breezes from the NW and clear the ice still continues thick and heavy at 6 Am broke out Reef and Deck Lat 60° 52'

