

Caught 6 Porpoises

Monday May 24<sup>th</sup> 1869  
 Begins with moderate breezes from the W  
 NW and somewhat foggy. Ship by the wind  
 to the N. water alternately blue and  
 green. Saw considerable many small  
 Portuguese Man of war. At 1 P.M. shot  
 an English Bark 23.5 days from landing for  
 Boston with salt. Forwarded letters  
 by her. Saw porpoises and four hump-  
 backs going quick to the N.E. Ship chas-  
 ing them until 12 M. in P.M. saw  
 two schools porpoises - caught six - ship  
 steering N.E.  
 Lat at Merd 40.36  
 Long by Chron 34.45  
 Long by C. B. 35.00  
 P.B.

Tuesday May 25<sup>th</sup> 1869  
 Begins with light baffling winds from the  
 W and rather foggy weather. Ship  
 steering N and N.E. all day. Saw  
 several schools of porpoises and caught one  
 - Saw several finbacks - also  
 Portuguese Man of war quite plenty - noth-  
 ing more in sight  
 Lat at Merd 41.14  
 Long by Chron 34.19  
 P.B.

Wednesday May 26<sup>th</sup> 1869  
 Comes in with strong gales from the N  
 W and overcast with fog. Ship steer-  
 ing N.E. under easy sail. At 7 more  
 ship steering N.E. per compass all  
 day. Being foggy nearly all day  
 saw porpoises and one finback and  
 two or three schools of Grampuses - ship  
 steering for Flores.

Lat at Merd 41.10  
 Long by Chron 33.80  
 P.B.

Thursday May 27<sup>th</sup> 1869  
 Begins with light baffling winds from the N  
 and foggy weather. At 4 A.M. light  
 ship N.E. with all prudent sail on  
 - at 6 wind changed suddenly to N.E.  
 - In the A.M. clear up a little  
 ship by the wind to the N.E. at  
 10 started ship heading N.E. per  
 compass. One said per sight by the  
 wind to the N.E. in the P.M.  
 saw porpoises and a large school of  
 small fish - wind light and baffling  
 from the N.E. ship coming up to  
 N and N.E. - Two sail in sight.  
 Lat at Merd 40.07  
 Long by Chron 32.45  
 P.B.