

Remarks on board Bark Osceola 3rd Capt. C. F. Hamblin

Tuesday August 16th 1859.

This day commenced with a fine breeze and quite clear, made sail about daylight. We have passed two islands and now there is four more in sight to leeward. Have been heaving out again in the Main and After hold for provisions and small stores.

There has been quite a number Sperm bottom whales in sight all day. Peter has been putting rattles on the Main Top Gallant rigging. The carpenter on duty to day. Cooper at work as usual. We have been running with the wind on the Starboard quarter.

Wind S, S, E.

Wednesday August 17th 1859.

This day commenced as usual around these islands. This morn arrived off our cruising grounds and saw several ships there were boiling. About 11 AM spoke the Bark Edwards and the captain went on board but did not stay but a little while. After dinner spoke the Hector and with signals for a general gam on board the Sonia where all the captains went and staid untill about eleven at night. Spent the afternoon and evening on board the Hector. The Sonia had taken three whales and was most through boiling.

Calm the latter part of the night.

Thursday August 18th 1859.

Commenced the same as yesterday about 9 A.M. the captain came on board from the Bark Virginia soon after another boat came from the Hector and staid a little while when all three captains went on board the Hector. The mates on board the Virginia the 2nd mates on board of us and myself on board the Hector again and staid untill half past one. So ends this day and the commencement of another.

Calm.

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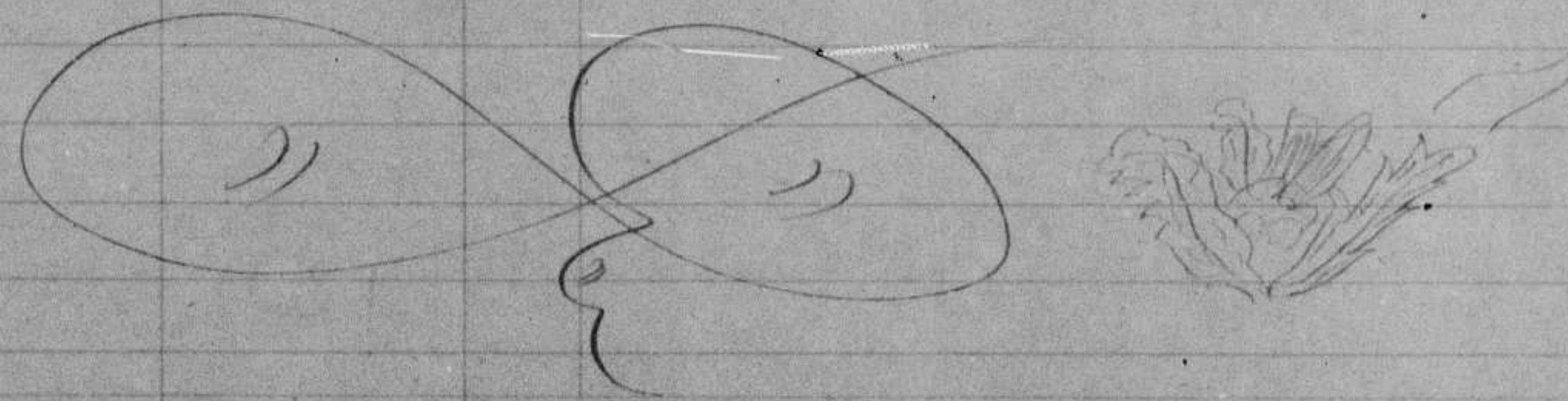
Friday August 19th 1859.

This day commenced with fine pleasant weather. I had a good watch below this forenoon as there was no gaming going on. General sail in sight one ship to windward which we called the Napoleon with our signal at the Foremast head for her but she did not take any notice of it. About 3 P.M. the Virginia and Hector exchanged boats and with their signal for us and captain Hamblin went on board and with the boat back, there is no body on board and I am glad for I can now run in and have a good nap as I stand in need of it very much. I think there is too much gaming going on around here for any body to make a voyage.

Saturday August 20th 1859.

This day commenced with fine weather and calm. Got out some Potatoes for the Sonia about 10 A.M. the captain went on board and staid untill about three P.M. This fore noon heke out water, fine sail in sight. There is no gaming tonight with us. Standing in towards North Head with a fine breeze. So ends this week.

Wind S, S, E.



Sunday August 21st 1859.

This day is as usual there is some six or seven sail in sight. Strong breeze from S, S, E. About 2 P.M. the Napoleon with signals for a gam the Hector ran down and soon after we left off after her the Captain went and also the mate to the Hector. The second dickies came here and staid untill about 1/2 past 8. So ends this day quite a strong breeze. Off Anaka. There has been several fin backs in sight.