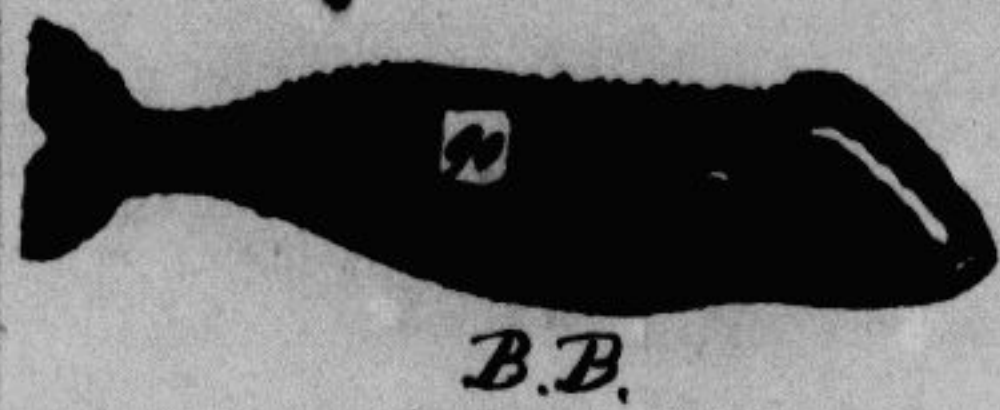


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Ship Vineyard of Edgartown cruising in
Sunday June 17th 1855

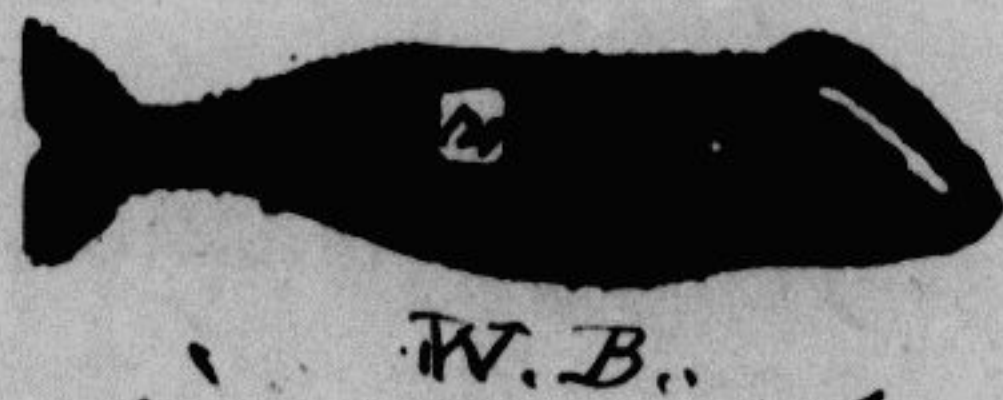


This day commenced with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the S.S.W. ship under double reefed topsails steering S.E. Combed the boat at 5 A.M. and pulled into the ice. The bow boat struck a whale and killed him. Cut him in before supper and lowered again but no success. Saw the 'Spudull' take 2 whales. Drying out. To end this day.

Monday June 18th 1855

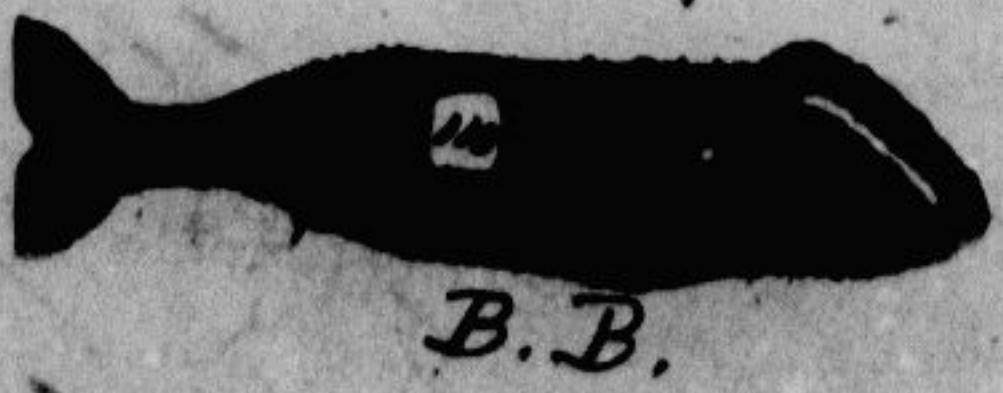
This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather from the W.N.W. ship under easy sail steering S.W. Combed the barboard boat only this morning in chase of a bowhead close to the ship; they went out him darted ten times and missed him. Combed three times - no success. The captain went aboard of the 'Cha M Morgan' 5 whales, and got a keg of tobacco and a by-gutter from the 'Mingfisher' to steer the fourth mate. To end this day.

Tuesday June 19th 1855



This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather. Ship under double reefed topsails steering S.W. Saw whales at 5 A.M. and combed the boat in chase; the main boat struck and killed a very large whale. Got him alongside and cut him in. Lowered a single boat twice afternoon no success. Latter part a heavy calm. To end this day.

Wednesday June 20th 1855



This day commenced with strong breezes and rugged weather from the W. ship under same sail steering W.S.W. Saw whales early this morning and lowered three boats in chase.

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the Ochotek Sea. The 'A. Fisher' Master the bow boat went into a large whale and killed him. Got him alongside and cut in. Saw the 'Janitor' take a whale. Latter part wind moderated. To end this day.

Thursday June 21st 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and pleasant weather ship under easy sail standing off and on to the ice. Combed the boats (2) in chase of whales the bow boat struck a large whale and broke the iron and lost him: chased all the forenoon with no success. After dinner all hands employed in pumping bone. To end this day.

Friday June 22nd 1855

This day commenced with light and variable wind from the S. and E. ship under easy sail cruising round the ice. Most of the day foggy and slightly rain. Commenced steering down being pinched for rum and cash. To end this day.

Saturday June 23rd 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and foggy weather from the B.S.P. ship under moderate sail standing off and on to the ice. Steering down. Middle and latter part clear. To end this day.

Sunday June 24th 1855

This day commenced with calm and foggy weather ship under all sail steering S.W. Steering down. Middle part wind from the E. ship steering W. by N. Yesterday hands employed in pumping bone. To end this day.

Monday June 25th 1855

This day commenced with light breezes and thick weather from the E. ship under easy sail steering W.N.W. Finished trying out and stored down. Middle part wind hauled to the N.E. by N. Spoke the 'Brunswick' of Dartmouth Capt Butler 2 whales. From her we learned of the loss of the 'Jefferson' of New London ashore on Cape Cod. Latter part sailing. To end this day.