

have been killed.

On the day of our steward, was standing on the mainmast trying to strike a postpiece when a rope broke and he went overboard passed entirely under the vessel for her whole length and was seen in an instant far to seaward ^{up here} bobbing like a cork on the water.

Man overboard! Lower away! was the cry and like lightning our harbor boat was shooting over the waves to his rescue. The second mate stood ~~as~~ straight as a dart to the spot and the poor steward was soon once more ~~on~~ brought safe on board. He was a large strong man in full health; if he had not been it is likely that he would have lost the number of his mess.

We lay off and on the Island of Flores for 5 or 6 days waiting the arrival of some vegetables which came off at last in two large boats pulled ~~by~~ each by a dozen Ishmaels.

(at a price of 100 cents)
A few ^{metres} apples and some cheese was brought aboard and retailed at ~~more~~ to our fore-castle hands at enormous prices. As the weather was boisterous during our stay off Flores we were

forced to be tacking + wearing in - cessantly in order to preserve distance from the shore and after the green sides of the dingy green hills had lost their attraction all hands became heartily disgusted.

The wretched island was devoted to wattle before the time by all ~~who spoke English~~ except the Portuguese as they are called who perhaps enjoyed being near it.

The Captain cursed the miserable island on the quarter deck, the mates did the same ~~and~~ around the main hatch and hardly anything was heard in the fore-castle but "D - n the Flores!"

At last we received all the potatoes and onions in rather a wet state and on the 10th bade adieu to the Island of Flores with a glorious breeze.

At noon next day we made the Peak of Pico and about 4 o'clock we were in the harbor of the island of Fayal. This place is much superior in appearance to Flores. The city or town looks from the water we did not go ashore, to be of considerable size the houses and churches are very white & neat and the country around is adorned with vineyards and groves of orange trees and other tropical fruits.

We only remained in the harbor