

I suppose you would like to hear how it
happened. we saw the Whales at 9 o'clock Am and soon
loosed and the ^{mate} struck which caused the shoal to
separate, I went to assist the mate & the 22002
mates pursued another portion of the Shoal. When
I came to the ship the boats was 5 miles off on
point on the weather bow in pursuit, and a short
time after lost sight of them. I took the dead whale
to the ship and set the Coulers fore & aft to let the officers
see I had lost sight of the Boats & commenced cutting the
Ship making all the way she could towards them, when
I finished cutting made all sail & at 5 P.M. (the sun was
low) saw a boat bottom up and 4 men on her whilst
looking at the boat I heard some one hallooing hall, I aback
sent the mate to the boat and went to windward myself
up & in pulling a short distance pick, I up & catch the boat
tatterer swimming lashed to an oar & blackfish Pike took him in
he saying the 22002 mate was 14 miles to windward lashed, I & the
line tub & 2 oars (he could not swim) I pulled up their but
could find nothing of him nor the tub or oars it then
being dark I went to the ship and from the masthead saw
a light it proved to be the 22002 mate lying by a Whales carcass
is, I about there 3 days found the whale but saw nothing
of the tub oars or third mate. he was a Portuguese and
was married if you see her ^{his widow} you can give her the par
ticulars and if she is in want give her something