

a shark reported in sight, baited my hook for the purpose of catching his lordship but he did not make his appearance again, shortly after we heard the school children exclaim "there goes a flying fish" (several shoals of which had been seen in the course of the morning) at the same time pointing to one of the sails! it was eventually caught and proved to be a large fly of the gadfly species, about 2 1/2 in. long and 5 in. from tip to tip of the wings, which were prettily spotted, after administering a dose of ferussic acid that the pleasure of extending it on cork for Dr. Price who caught it he & of a somewhat sordid turn of mind his principal idea being how much it would fetch when he reached St. Huron. It gets warmer and warmer every day the thermometer placed in the sun read 100° and in dry cabin with the door & port holes open 80°. This evening great amusement was occasioned by a game a few joined in, it was played by half a dozen standing one behind another, the foremost one placing his hands on his ears, while those behind him struck his hands one at a time, and he tried to guess who had smitten him if he guessed correctly he vacated his position in favour of the discovered one it caused a lot of laughter.

22nd Two or three young men passed the night on deck but obtained little sleep, the night air is charmingly soft and could one by any means obtain anything approaching to rest & quiet on deck it would really be tempting to remain all night, but in the absence of those essential requisites to refreshing slumber I decidedly prefer my cabin. Two infants died in the course of the day and were committed to the deep.

23. making a little more progress. Shoals of porpoises swimming about the bows, another fly caught. another infant ^{dead.}