at tea, we felt a smart shock as if we had struck the bottom, which jingled the teacups, and caused a small scream or two amongst the ladies. This was accounted for immediately after, for a whale emerged close to the side of the ship, and began to blow hurriedly and violently as if in great alarm. We had seen half a dozen near us in the course of the evening, and it appeared that the vessel had come right against one individual, probably enjoying his first sleep, and roused him from his soft slumbers by a rough nudge in the ribs. We did not stop to set his bones to rights, but proceeding on our course made St. Helena by day-light on the 5th of July, and anchored off James's Town at eight o'clock in the morning.

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