

ships take care to be provided with them before they set out. I would also recommend shark hooks and chains, as these ravenous fishes are frequently to be met with; and when you enter the American coast, it is rare you can miss finding fish of different kinds.

NOTHING material happened till the 31st of July, when we came to the Azores, or Western Islands, subject to Portugal.

THESE islands, according to the information I had, produce wine grapes, lemons, and oranges, with various other kinds of fruits. The island of Corva, in latitude 40° and longitude 31° , west from Greenwich, appeared to be a high bold mountain in the middle of the sea, with steep precipices, and of difficult access. The island of Flora, somewhat larger, but more accessible, is distant from it about three or four leagues south east. Not far from the former we happened to be becalmed; and a little alarmed at finding ourselves drawn towards its bold rocky coast by the force of the current; but a gentle breeze springing up in the evening, we got clear of it and of our fears together.

AFTER we had left, and before we came to these islands, we saw various kinds of sea fishes besides the Buckers or Porpoises already mentioned; such as Sharks, Bonettas, Dolphins, Turtles, and Flying Fish. These last

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