



# **Echoes of our Seafaring Past.**

*Consider the subtleness of the sea;  
how its most dreaded creatures glide  
under water, unapparent for the  
most part, and treacherously hidden  
beneath the loveliest tints of azure.*

**-Herman Melville**



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*The Nantucket whaleship  
**Two Brothers** set sail for the  
Pacific on November 26, 1821.*

*On board were three men  
who only months earlier had  
returned to their island home  
after a harrowing and  
now infamous experience  
on the whaleship **Essex**...*



# Surviving *beneath* *the* Waves.

*Consider, once more,  
the universal cannibalism of the sea;  
all whose creatures prey upon  
each other, carrying on eternal war  
since the world began.*

**-Herman Melville**



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PERSON I.  
Boats arrive Dec.  
20, 1820  
OR  
ELIZABETH I.



On February 11, 1823 the Nantucket  
whaleship **Two Brothers** struck a reef  
at French Frigate Shoals in the  
Northwestern Hawaiian Islands.  
The **Two Brothers** remained hidden  
until August of 2008 when a team  
of NOAA maritime archaeologists  
caught the first glimpse of the  
shipwreck on the seafloor.