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Jot Cook's Cape Cod Oil Works, located on the bay side of Long Point -- 1880 -- Note town hill in the background.  
Notes from Jennings' "Provincetown" book: "John Atwood built a wharf on the north side of the Point, which is standing today (1890) used by the Cape Cod Oil Works, the only buildings now left excepting the lighthouse..... Government now lays claim to all the lands on the Point.... No industry is carried on there but the Cape Cod Oil Works, and no fish of any amount have been taken there for many years, except a few cod off Wood End Lighthouse."

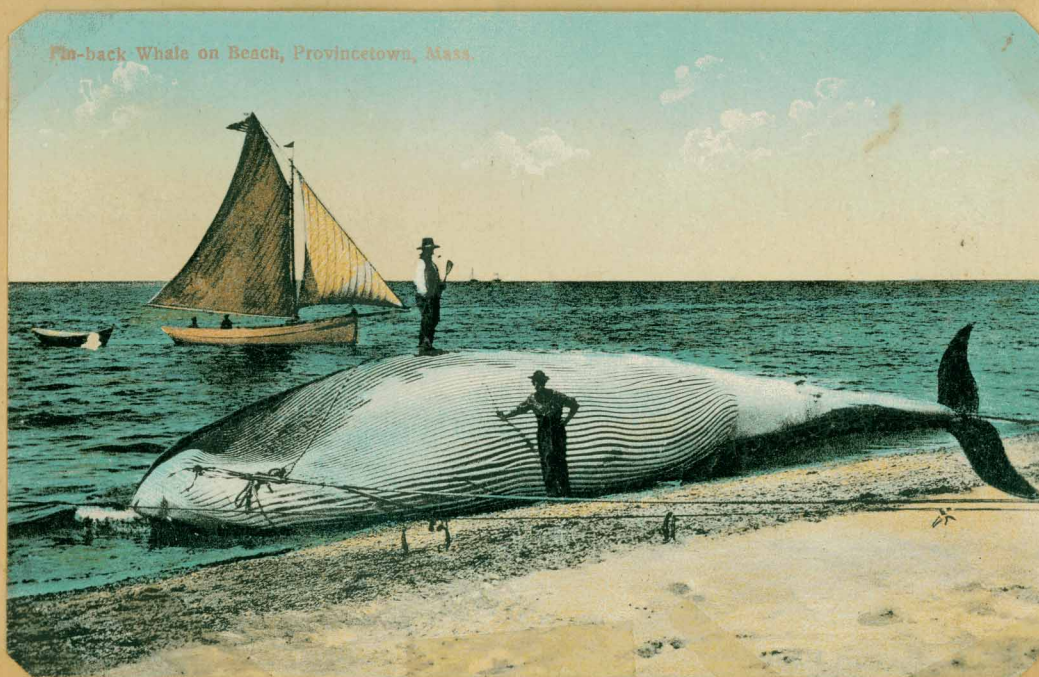
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— Boston parties have leased the oil factory on Long Point, and will run it under the name of the Cape Cod Oil Company, with Lorenzo Richardson as superintendent, for the manufacture of guano and oil from fish.

June 1875

**A New Industry**

Provincetown is to have a new industry in the shape of a porgy oil factory. Mr. Jonathan Cook is erecting buildings for this purpose, two being already nearly completed, one for a factory forty-eight by fifty-five feet and the other a boarding house. Connected with the factory is a wharf nearly four hundred feet in length. The machinery is expected soon. We hope Mr. Cook's undertaking will be crowned with success.



**MAN-EATING SHARK  
 CAPTURED IN 1860**

Jonathan Smith of Long Point espied a shark swimming by the Point into our harbor. Seizing a harpoon, he waded off up to his waist and threw the harpoon, forcing the iron completely through him. After a tussle he dragged the shark ashore. Mr. Smith said the shark was of the real man-eating species, with an enormous mouth and three rows of sharp teeth. He measured 9 feet in length and 4 feet around the body. It is seldom that a shark of that kind comes into our waters. . . .