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It must be very strange in an airplane, he thought. I wonder what the sea looks like from that height? They should be able to see the fish well if they do not fly too high. I would like to fly very slowly at two hundred fathoms high and see the fish from above. In the turtle boats I was in the cross-trees of the mast-head and even at that height I saw much. The dolphin look greener from there and you can see their stripes and their purple spots and you can see all the shoal as they swim. Why is it that all the fast-moving fish of the dark current have purple backs and usually purple stripes or sports? The dolphin looks green of course because he is really golden. But when he comes to feed, truly hungry, purple stripes show on his sides as on a marlin. Can it be anger, or the greater speed he makes that brings them out?

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الألفاظ والعبارات :

I wonder what the sea looks like from that height	ليت شعري كيف يبدو البحر من ذلك الارتفاع
Fathom	مقياس يساوي ٦ أقدام
The mast-head	أعلى الصاري
The dolphin	الدلفين
Their stripes and their purple spots	تخطيط جسدها وبقعه الارجوانية
Shoal	قطيع من السمك
Marlin	المرلين: سمك اقيانوسي ضخيم
Anger	غضب