

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Indian Ocean Jan 1843

Friday Jan 13 Commences with brisk winds from N.W. steering S.E. at 5 AM steering E.S.E. strong winds & cloudy employed in mending boat at 8 AM & used the topsails thick weather saw timber & seals Uls Lat 43.35 South

Saturday Jan 14 All these twenty four hours strong winds from N.W. to N.E. steering E.S.E. employed in mending wind sail saw 2 right whales to be up to lower S. Ends Uls Lat 44.05 S Long 112.56 East

Sunday Jan 15 These twenty four hours begins with strong winds from N.W. & a heavy sea steering E.S.E. at 5 AM saw a right whale to suff for making out at 8 AM steering E. S. Ends Uls Lat 44.10 S Long 116.47 E

Monday Jan 16 The first part of this day strong wind from the Westward steering E. at 9 AM spoke the Barque division of New Bedford 18 months out 150 Bbls the middle part steering E by S at 2 PM saw 2 right whales to suff to lower latter part steering E.S.E. saw large quantities of timber & seals

Tuesday Jan 17 Commences with brisk wind from the Westward steering E.S.E. Middle part wind veered to the South were employed in painting the Starboard Boat saw 1 whale feed & a plenty of timber at 7 AM spoke the North America of New London 15 months out 150 Bbls light winds & cloudy weather S. Ends Uls Lat 44.20 S Long 122.14 E

Wednesday Jan 18 All these twenty four hours strong wind from N. & cloudy steering from E by S to S by E saw 1 whale feed & timber & seals Uls Lat 44.58 S

Thursday Jan 19 This day begins with strong winds from N. & thick weather steering E.S.E. at 11 AM the wind shifted to S.W. in a heavy squall shifted a sea in the Starboard Boat on the Starboard trams broke the forward davie & stove the boat hoisted her up & gave her under close reefed main topsail head S.E. at 1 PM wind hauled to Northward made sail steering E employed in mending a new part latter part light winds & baffling steering E by S S. Ends Uls Lat 45.54 South

Friday Jan 20 Commences with baffling winds & squally steering E by S Middle part strong winds from W latter part strong gales from N.W. & squally steering E by S under 2 Bree topsails S. Ends Uls Lat 46.04 S Long 132.35 East

Saturday Jan 21 The first part strong gales from N.W. steering E by S under close reefed main & Bree topsails & fore & main Middle & latter part the wind S.W. with heavy squalls of rain & hail steering E at 7 AM let one reef out main topsail & set main spruce. S. Ends Uls Lat 46.25 S Long 135.28 E

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Sunday Jan 22 These twenty four hours begins with strong winds from S.W. by W steering E. at 8 AM more pleasant all sail set steering E by S Middle & latter part pleasant S. Ends Uls Lat 46.42 S Long 140.18 E

Monday Jan 23 All these twenty four hours light winds from N.W. steering E. Put the Starboard Boat out took in the Starboard Boat & mended her saw nothing S. Ends Uls Lat 47.05 S

Tuesday Jan 24 The first part of this day light winds from the North steering E. the Middle part the wind N. employed in painting Starboard Boat the latter part wind N.E. heading E.S.E. saw 1 timber & 1 sulphur fish S. Ends Uls Lat 47.18 South

Wednesday Jan 25 Commences with brisk wind from N.W. & thick weather heading E. at 1 PM reduced to 2 reefed topsails at 9 PM heavy squall with thunder & lightning took sail in & gave her under close reefed main topsail at 8 PM wind hauled to N.W. kept off E. & set fore & main at 8 wind W by N saw nothing S. Ends S. Uls

Thursday Jan 26 First part of this day baffling winds & squally steering E Middle part light winds from W & pleasant latter part light winds from N.W. steering E by N saw nothing S. Ends Uls Lat 48.42 S Long 151.42 East

Friday Jan 27 All these twenty four hours brisk wind from N.W. steering E by N to E by N all sail set & pleasant weather saw nothing S. Ends Uls Lat 49.15 S Long 155.50 E

Saturday Jan 28 The first part of these twenty four hours brisk wind from N.W. & pleasant weather steering E.S.E. the latter part wind N. with passing clouds at 6 PM single reefed the fore & main topsails set top gale sails over them saw nothing S. Ends Uls Lat 49.11 S Long 160.04 E

Sunday Jan 29 Commences with strong winds from N steering E.S.E. at 4 AM wind hauled to N.W. steering N.E. by E at 11 AM wind hauled to W course E.S.E. latter part light airs & pleasant course N.E. by E saw 1 timber S. Ends Uls Lat 49.16 S Long 168.30 East

Monday Jan 30 This day begins with light baffling winds steering N.E. by E at 2 AM wind hauled to E.S.E. heading N. at 8 AM wind N.W. & cloudy at 9 AM looked for a right whale did not strike at 6 PM scard 17.76 Smith up to the main rigging the Captain gave him 38 lashes for endeavoring to poison the officers by putting Cadomil & jalap & other stuff in bread the crew intended to kill Washington Fletcher & Charles the cabin with a Dirk & carving knife & any other that contained them the crew tried to hire a Portuguese to commit a sodomy for these crimes he received the above named lashes with a 6 lashed E. put them in Irons put them between Deck & in sail Head Uls Lat 49.01 S Long 165.18 East