

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Cruising August 1843

Thursday
Aug. 3

S B

Commences with light Wind from SSW & hazy weather at 4 AM finished Boiling all hands employed in breaking out the main hold & stowing it at 1 PM lowered 3 Boats for Night Whales struck one with Starboard Boat Came in thick fog cut from the Whale lost 3 Bows & a Spout came on board & went to stowing it at 5 PM fog let up saw Night Whales lowered 3 Boats struck one killed him at 11 PM got him to the ship made him fast & took in sail So Ends Lat 47.19 N

Friday
Aug. 4

S B

Commences with calm pleasant weather at 8 AM lowered 4 Boats for a Night Whale, struck him & he sunk lost 1 Bow came on board & checked off the main hold with it at 1 PM commenced cutting the Whales at 4 PM finished cleared up decks & commenced Boiling thick fog & calm saw several Whales this day So Ends Lat 47.30 N

Saturday
Aug. 5

S B



W B

The first part light Wind from the Northward & foggy weather employed in boiling at 6 AM fog let up saw several Whales lowered 9 Boats struck 2 & killed them towed them to the ship at 1 PM commenced cutting got one in had none for the other cleared up decks light Wind & pleasant weather Whales constantly in sight So Ends lost 1 Bow & one lance

Sunday
Aug. 6

All these twentyfour hours light Wind from S & hazy weather employed in Boiling filled the tanks with Oil the Cooper setting up pipes saw 3 Right Whales apparently at home So Ends Lat 47.02 N Long 125.40 W

Monday
Aug. 7

Commences with light Wind from W & hazy weather employed in Boiling & cleaning Bone the Cooper setting up pipes at 11 AM commenced cutting the Whales at 4 PM finished saw Blackfish & 2 Right Whales cleared up decks So Ends head WSW

Tuesday
Aug. 8

All this day light Baffling Wind & frequent Rain Squalls employed in boiling & stowing Oil put 55 Bbls in the fore hold the Cooper setting up pipes saw nothing So Ends light Winds from WSW head NW

Wednesday
Aug. 9

All this day light Wind from SW & pleasant weather employed in boiling Broke out Bottom decks & Coopered 2 tanks & put down 5 Pipes of Oil the Cooper setting up pipes saw 1 Whale So Ends heading NW Lat 47.06 N Long 109.00

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Thursday
Aug. 10

The first part thick Rainy weather employed in boiling at 10 AM all employed in stowing Oil & put down 5 Pipes the Middle part more pleasant brisk Wind from S latter part thick fog at 8 PM spoke the ~~triple~~ of Sugar Harbor bound home full - the Cooper employed in setting up pipes So Ends saw nothing head WSW

Friday
Aug. 11

Commences with brisk Wind from SSW & thick foggy weather employed in Boiling the Middle part more pleasant at noon spoke the Lexington of 18 Antucket 35 Months out 1400 Bbls of sperm 1300 Whale Oil bound home got some Brick & a Shovel of him & let him 2 Bbls of Coal latter part thick fog at 8 PM finished Boiling head W saw nothing So Ends Lat 47.26 N

Saturday
Aug. 12

All these twentyfour hours strong Wind from SSW & thick weather employed in stowing Oil & put down 10 Pipes Coopered 2 tanks & saw nothing So Ends heading W under Clove reefed Main topsail

Sunday
Aug. 13

The first part light Wind from NW & thick weather employed in stowing Oil in the fore hold put down 55 Bbls & checked it off the latter part light Wind from the Northward head to the Eastward saw nothing So Ends

Monday
Aug. 14

Commences with light Wind from S & thick Rainy weather at 4 PM made sail steering E at 8 AM more pleasant all employed in stowing Oil & put down 5 Pipes latter part brisk Wind & W steering SE saw Finback at 7 PM took in sail heading WSW So Ends Lat 47.18 N Long 128.38 W

Tuesday
Aug. 15

The first part light Wind from NW steering SE employed in cleaning Bone the Middle & latter part Wind S & pleasant steering E at 8 PM bent the mainsail saw 10 Whales at 9 PM took in sail So Ends Lat 47.05 N Long 128.10 W

Wednesday
Aug. 16

Commences with light Wind from S & S E & pleasant weather at 4 PM made sail steering E at 6 PM steering SW employed in cleaning & stowing Bone latter part steering SSE brisk Wind from S & thick weather & some Rain saw one Finback at 7 PM took in sail heading SSE So Ends Lat 46.46 N Long 128.02 W