

Charles Phelps of Stonington Homeward Bound 1844

Tuesday
March the 12

Commences with light wind from E steering NW the middle part light wind from SSW employed in setting up topgallent rigging &c at 2 PM past a large log at 5 PM took a Squal Bree topmast Studding sail boom the last part light buffing air & calm So Ends
Lat 21.41 N Long by Chron 82.10 by Lunar 82.29 W

Wednesday
March the 13

This day begins with light wind from W heading NW at 2 PM strong wind from N by W took ship to W by N took in the fore & main topgallent sails at 8 PM wind N by N took in the fore & main topgallent sails the middle part the same the latter part strong wind from N by N heading N by W a day sea from NW saw nothing So Ends
Lat 22.20 N Long 82.58 W

Thursday
March the 14

The first part of this day strong wind from NW heading N by N & N by E under keeled topsails a heavy sea coming a head at 11 PM more moderate under keeled topsails N by E employed in ship's duty the latter part the same saw nothing So Ends
Lat 23.22 N Long

Friday
March the 15

Commences with brisk wind from NW by N heading N by E the middle part baffling wind painters the waist beat cox's gale haled comeings Mast Coats &c the last part light wind from NW heading from E by E to N by E saw nothing So Ends
Lat 24.24 N Long 80.47 W

Saturday
March the 16

This day begins with light wind from N heading E by E at 1 PM past 3 AM tacked to NW the middle & latter part light wind from NW heading from W to NW saw nothing So Ends
Lat 25.03 N Long 80.12 W

Sunday
March the 17

The first & middle part of this day light wind from N to NW heading from NW to NW at 4 PM wind hauled to NE set Studding sails saw nothing So Ends
Lat 25.27 N

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Monday
March the 18

The first part of this day light wind from E steering N the middle part SE & pleasant weather employed in ship's duty the latter part light wind from SE by S So Ends
Lat 25.37 N Long 80.56 W

Tuesday
March the 19

The first & middle part of this day light air from SE steering N employed in ship's duty sealed out the tannery painted anchors &c saw a schooner heading to the Eastward the latter part light wind from SE by S So Ends
Lat 27.08 N Long 84.54 W

Wednesday
March the 20

Commences with light wind from SE by S & pleasant weather steering NW at 6 PM saw a Brig steering NE the middle part light air & calm employed in painting masts & yards &c at 8 PM brisk wind from N by E & S Ends took in topgallent sails & keeled the topsails
Lat 28.07 N Long 85.08 W

Thursday
March the 21

Ship day begins with strong wind from N by E to E & squally steering NW at 6 PM light light wind & baffling set all sails the middle part brisk wind from SE & rainy at 8 PM calm at 7 light air from SW the last part calm saw nothing So Ends
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Friday
March the 22

Commenced with calm pleasant weather at 6 PM light wind from NW steering NW by N employed in ship's duty put on new gasbets painted harness cox's & scuttle but &c at 1 PM saw a Brig steering SE brisk wind from SW set Studding sails at 6 PM took in topgallent Studding sails at 7 took in topmast Studding sail jib flying jib spanker topgallent sails & keeled the main topgallent Studding sail strong wind from SW & squally steering NW saw a humpback So Ends
Lat 29.55 N Long 88.24 W

Saturday
March the 23

This day begins with heavy gales from SW & squally with thunder lightning & rain steering N under close reefed main topsail & foresail at 1 PM set 2 keeled fore topsail at 1 PM past 3 took in fore & fore topsail heavy squales from NW with a heavy sea at 7 PM employed in heaving over the fore works at 10 set fore sail at 11 fore topsail at 1 PM more pleasant set jib main sail main topsail let one reef out the main So Ends
Lat 31.44 N Long 88.22 W