

Charles Phelps of Stonington Outward Bound 1844

Thursday
Sept the 12

These 24 hours commences with a brisk wind from NW and pleasant steering ESE with all sail set at 6 p.m. took in the mizzen top gallant sail at daylight set it again at 7 a.m. saw a sail ahead at 11 came up with her and spoke her it proved to be the Balance of Providence 3 months out 6 blackfish the captain came on board so ends

Friday
Sept the 13

These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from NW steering ESE at 1 p.m. the captain of the Balance returned on board it shutting in thick and rainy and breezing on took in fore and mizzen top gallant sail at 4 p.m. took in main top gallant sail and gib rainy at 11 p.m. reefed the mizzen top sail at 6 a.m. furlled the main sail at 8 double reefed the fore top sail at 11 a.m. double reefed the main steering SE by E so ends
Obs Lat 35.32 S Long 6.14 E

Saturday
Sept the 14

These 24 hours commences with a strong gale from NW steering SE by E ship under double reef top sails at 9 a.m. more moderate shook the reefs out of the sails and set the gib at 1 p.m. set the main sail and top gallant sails at 3 light airs and calms at 6 a.m. a light breeze sprung up from NW saw a ship standing towards us off the weather quarter so ends
Obs Lat 35.43 S Long 8.43 E

Sunday
Sept the 15

These 24 hours commences with a brisk wind from NW steering SE with all sail set at 5 p.m. that ship abreast of us she proves to be a very large ship with every thing set studding lower and aloft royal and staysails fore and aft at 6 p.m. blew on strong with a heavy sea took in fore and mizzen top gallant sails main sail and gib at 9 p.m. took in main top gallant sail at 11 squally with lightning took in the mizzen top sail double reefed the fore and main at 5 a.m. moderated shook the reefs out the sails set main sail and gib at 8 made all sail latter part light winds from W and pleasant so ends
Obs Lat 36.28 S Long 11.42 E

Monday
Sept the 16

These 24 hours commences with light winds from NW and pleasant course SE all sail set middle and latter part much the same saw a number of finbacks so ends
Obs

Tuesday
Sept the 17

These 24 hours commences with a light breeze from NW with cloudy weather course SE at 10 p.m. the wind shifted in squall to SW and blowed fresh took in top gallant sails and double reefed the top sail at 6 a.m. shook one reef out of the top sails so ends
Obs Lat 36.56 S Long 15.28 E

Wednesday
Sept the 18

These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from S ship heading ESE at 1 p.m. shook the reefs out the top sails and set main top gallant sail at sun down saw 3 right whales took in sail and wore ship at daylight made all sail the wind SE more ship heading E at 10 p.m. fresh breeze took in top gallant sail saw finbacks so ends
Long by Lunar 16.01 Obs Lat 35.47 S Long 15.52 E

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Thursday
Sept the 19

These 24 hours commences with a strong breeze from SSE ship heading E under her top sails and courses at 4 p.m. tacked ship heading SW by S reefed the mizzen top sail at 5 a.m. more moderate shook the reef out the mizzen top sail and set top gallant sails at 7 a.m. tacked ship the wind S heading ESE at 9 took in fore and mizzen top gallant sails saw finbacks so ends
Obs Lat 35.56 S Long 16.32 E

Friday
Sept the 20

These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from S ship heading from ESE to SE at 5 p.m. took in main top gallant sail at 11 a.m. set it again at 8 a.m. the fore top gallant sail and bent another latter part a fresh breeze from SW by S and pleasant ship heading SE by S saw nothing so ends
Obs Lat 36.10 S Long 18.16 E

Saturday
Sept the 21

This day commences with a fresh breeze from SW steering SE weather pleasant at 2 a.m. the wind shifted to NW latter part light winds from NW and calms about the fore sail and main sail and repaired them saw a number of finbacks so ends
Obs Lat 36.39 S Long 19.35 E

Sunday
Sept the 22

This day commences with a light breeze from NW and very pleasant steering SE by S with all sail set at 5 p.m. strong breeze and took in the top gallant sails and double reefed the top sail at daylight saw a sail off the standing SE at 11 out of sight eastern
Obs Lat 37.29 S Long 22.14 E

Monday
Sept the 23

This day commences with a strong breeze from W and pleasant steering SE under double reefed top sails and courses at 3 p.m. the wind hauled to NW and moderated shook the reefs out the top sails and bent our main top gallant sail having split it and bent another at 5 p.m. set it middle part the winds light and baffling at 11 p.m. tacked ship ship heading S latter part the wind from E heading SSE saw several finbacks so ends
Obs Lat 37.50 S Long 24.48 E

Tuesday
Sept the 24

These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from E and pleasant ship heading ESE at 2 p.m. took in the fore top gallant sail at 8 took at daylight set it again cloudy misty weather saw a great many whale birds and a number of finbacks so ends
Obs Lat 38.39 S Long 26.52 E

Wednesday
Sept the 25

These 24 hours commences with a strong from NE thick misty weather at 2 p.m. took in the main top gallant sail at 6 p.m. took a reef in the fore and mizzen top sail ship heading ESE at 11 p.m. the hauled to NW course E by S shook the reefs out the top sails set main top gallant sail at 2 a.m. raised a sail ahead huffed to the wind with the main top sail black took in the main top gallant sail at 5 a.m. strong breeze and squally double reefed the fore and mizzen top sail at 8 spoke the Leander of Mystic 15 months out 900 lbs. the captain came on board at 7 he returned kept the ship off again E by S at 9 a.m. breezed on double reefed the main top sail and took in the mizzen Obs Lat 38.35 S Long 28.56 E