

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Indian Ocean 1844

Thursday
Nov the 21

This day commences with a strong breeze from N.W. and rugged at 1 p.m. wore ship and commenced cutting at 4 finished thick weather and squally took in sail for the night at 6 p.m. more moderate commenced hoisting ship heading E at 11 p.m. wore ship to the westward latter part a strong gale and thick weather lying too at 10 a.m. wore ship to E at 11 blowing on with squalls of rain cooled down the works So Ends

No Obs

Friday
Nov the 22

Commences with a strong gale from N.W. thick and rainy ship heading N.W. at 1 p.m. the ^{wind} hauled to W ship N.W. under close reef main top sail and fore sail at 7 p.m. took in the fore sail at daylight set it again latter part blowing strong lying too a sail in sight to seaward

Obs Lat 34.39 Long 72.38 E

Saturday
Nov the 23

These 24 hours commences with a strong gale from the westward ship lying too at 1 p.m. wore ship to the southward and commenced hoisting weather more moderate at 3 p.m. spoke the Brigue Endeavor of New Bedford Capt. Taber 16 months out. At not stated at 7 p.m. the wind hauled to S.W. wore ship to W at daylight made sail with a light breeze from S.W. and pleasant ship heading to the westward at 7 a.m. saw 3 right whales lowered 3 boats and chased without success at 12 a.m. saw 2 more whales lowered 4 boats got fast to 1 whale with 2 boats the whale run badly cut 1 line shading the whale the boats crew drew the whale went off So Ends

Obs Lat 34.23 Long 72.07

Sunday
Nov the 24

This day begins with a light breeze and calms from S.W. ship heading to the westward with fine pleasant weather saw a large number of finbacks at sun down shortened sail for the night latter part calm employed in stowing down saw a number of finbacks So Ends

Obs Lat 34.15 Long 72.55

Monday
Nov the 25

Commences with calm weather and pleasant at 2 p.m. saw 2 right whales lowered 3 boats and chased without success going very quick a p.m. past 3 came on board a light air speaking up from E.E. made sail and stood to the southward at 5 p.m. finished stowing down 95 bbls at daylight made sail with a fresh breeze from E.E. and pleasant ship heading S saw nothing So Ends

Obs Lat 34.47 Long 71.35 E

Tuesday
Nov the 26

These 24 hours commences with a strong breeze from E.E. by E and squally ship heading S by W saw a sail to seaward at sun down shortened sail at daylight made sail wore ship and stood E.E. with with a fresh breeze from E.E. and pleasant saw nothing

Obs Lat 34.55 Long 71.48 E

Wednesday
Nov the 27

Begins with a fresh from S.E. and pleasant at 1 p.m. wore ship to S.W. at 3 p.m. saw a right whale lowered 3 boats and chased until sun down came on board and shortened sail at daylight made sail with light breeze from E to E.E. steering S.E. at 11 a.m. saw a right whale going quick to the seaward at 12 lowered without success

Obs Lat 35.28 Long 71.42

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Thursday
Nov the 28

Commences with a light from N. and pleasant 2 right whales lowered twice but did not get fast at sun down shortened sail ship heading N.W. at daylight made sail with a fresh breeze from N.W. and squally steering from S.E. to S.W. at 10 a.m. the wind shifted to S.W. on heavy signal it came on thick and rainy shortened sail and hove the ship to under close main top sail and fore sail 2 sail in sight saw finbacks

Obs Lat 36.08 Long 72.21 E

Friday
Nov the 29

These 24 commences with a strong gale from the S.W. ship lying too heading S.E. at 2 p.m. the ship Bartholomew Goodold of New Bedford captain Mosher ran down and spoke us 4 months out 3 right whales and 85 barrels of sperm a ship passed us in the night hoisting at daylight made sail with a strong breeze from S.W. and overcast at 7 a.m. kept the ship off E.E. under the fore sail and repaired it 2 sail in sight saw finbacks So Ends

Obs Lat 35.31 Long 73.16 E

Saturday
Nov the 30

This day begins with a strong wind from N.W. and overcast steering S.E. at 4 p.m. saw a right whale lowered 3 boats but did not see him afterwards came on board at being too rugged to whale and blowing on shortened sail and hove the ship too heading N.W. at daylight made sail and wore ship with a fresh breeze from S.W. and pleasant ship heading E.E. latter part light winds saw nothing

Obs Lat 34.36 Long 73.23 E

Sunday
Dec the 1

Commences with light airs and calms at 2 p.m. wore ship to S.W. at sun down shortened sail at daylight made sail with light airs from the eastward and calms ship heading to the southward fine pleasant weather saw nothing So Ends

Obs Lat 34.39 Long 73.00

Monday
Dec the 2

These 24 hours commences with light airs and calms from the eastward ship heading to the southward at sun down shortened sail at daylight made sail with a fresh breeze from E.E. and pleasant steering S.E. at 11 a.m. saw a right whale to the windward at 12 tacked ship for him saw a ship to leeward whaling So Ends

Obs Lat 35.26 Long 73.30 E

Tuesday
Dec the 3

Commences with a fresh wind from E.E. and pleasant at 1 p.m. lowered 3 boats and chased but could not get fast at 4 p.m. lowered for a whale that another ship had been fast too no better success at sun down spoke the ship Lucas of New Bedford capt. Borden 17 months out 1600 shortened sail heading eastward wind N.W. at daylight made sail with a strong breeze from N.W. and pleasant steering E.E. saw nothing So Ends

Obs Lat 35.44 Long 75.30 E

Wednesday
Dec the 4

Begins with a strong breeze from S.E. and hazy at 1 p.m. put the off and steered S.W. at sun down shortened sail and luffed by the wind to the westward middle and latter part thick foggy with some rain ship lying too heading to the westward saw nothing

Obs Lat 36.55 Long 74.35 E