

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Pacific Ocean Feb 1845

Sunday
Feb the 2
These 24 hours commences with light winds from the westward and pleasant steering E & S with all sail set middle part light winds from N latter part the wind hauled to N & ship heading E & S saw finbacks so ends
Obs Lat 44.49 S Long 175.56 E

Monday
Feb the 3
This day commences with a fresh breeze from N & S and pleasant weather steering E & S at 7 p.m. took in flying jib and mizen top gallant sail at a m strong breeze N & S took fore and main top gallant sail latter part thick rainy weather at 11 a.m. reefed the top sails so ends
Obs

Tuesday
Feb the 4
Commences with a strong breeze from N & S and thick rainy weather ship heading E under double reef top sails at 6 p.m. the wind hauled to N & S and light made all sail latter part calm thick foggy weather bent a new main top gallant sail so ends
Obs

Wednesday
Feb the 5
This day begins with light airs from the westward and calm thick foggy weather steering E by N Middle and Latter part much the same saw finbacks so ends
Obs Lat 46.29 S Long 179.20 W

Thursday
Feb the 6
These 24 commences with light winds from the westward and thick foggy weather steering N & S by E with all sail set saw Blackfish at 7 p.m. the wind shifted to S & S middle and Latter part the winds light and baffling from S to S & S saw finbacks so ends
Obs Lat 45.53 S Long 177.13 E

Friday
Feb the 7
Commences with a fresh breeze from S & S and cloudy weather steering N & S by E with all sail set at 6 p.m. took in flying jib and mizen top gallant sail the wind E & S ship heading N & S at 8 took in fore and main top gallant sail at 11 double reefed the top sails at 2 a.m. took in the main sail and jib and split the fore sail blowing heavy from S & S ship heading E & S carrying sail hard to keep of the lee shore at 4 p.m. 4 close reefed the top sails at 6 pitched away the flying jib boom at 8 a.m. bent a new fore sail put a reef in it and set it blowing hard so ends
Obs Lat 45.17 S Long 175.40 W

Saturday
Feb the 8
This day begins with a strong gale from S & S ship heading E under close reef top sails and under reef fore sail at 2 p.m. more moderate shook a reef out of the main top sail and fore sail at 6 p.m. shook a reef out of the fore top sail and set the jib at 8 set the main sail at 10 set single reef top sails at 4 a.m. made all sail and steered N & S latter part light winds unbent the main top sail and bent a new one saw nothing so ends this day
Obs

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Sunday
Feb the 9
Commences with light airs from S & S and calms steering N & S the watch employed in repairing the main sail middle part calm latter part light airs N ship heading E & S
Obs Lat 44.52 S Long 174.17 W

Monday
Feb the 10
These 24 hours commences with light winds from N & S and pleasant ship heading E with all sail set middle and Latter part much the same employed in making a flying jib boom so ends
Obs

Tuesday
Feb the 11
This day begins with a fresh breeze from N & S and overcast ship heading E with all sail set at 3 p.m. spoke the ship America of New Bedford 20 months out 4700 barrels 500 of it sperm middle part light winds at 10 a.m. the shifted to N set the fore top mast studding sail with light winds and rainy saw nothing so ends
Obs

Wednesday
Feb the 12
Begins with a light wind from S & S and cloudy weather steering N & S with all sail set middle and Latter part strong winds S & S by S steering N & S by E with pleasant weather saw nothing so ends
Obs Lat 43.57 S Long 167.45 W

Thursday
Feb the 13
Commences with strong winds from S & S and pleasant weather steering N & S by E one sail in sight middle part the same latter part the N & S 6 a.m. steered N & S by E the weather more moderate so ends
Obs Lat 41.57 S Long 164.57 W

Friday
Feb the 14
These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from W and cloudy weather steering N & S by E with all sail set sent out the top gallant studding sails middle part light winds at 3 a.m. the wind shifted to N & S by W took in studding sails latter part the wind light and baffling so ends
Obs

Saturday
Feb the 15
This day commences with light baffling winds and calm cloudy weather at 7 p.m. a light breeze sprang up from N & S ship heading N & S Latter part winds light and baffling saw nothing so ends
Obs Lat 40.17 S Long 163.36 W

Sunday
Feb the 16
Commences with light winds from N and pleasant ship heading N & S with all sail set sent out the flying jib boom on split in sight middle and Latter part light baffling winds ship heading from N & S to E & S at 8 a.m. spoke the ship Superior of New London 5 months out 400 bbls so ends
Obs

Monday
Feb the 17
Begins with light baffling winds from N & S to E & S and pleasant weather ship heading from E to E & S in company with the Superior middle and Latter part much the same saw nothing so ends
Obs Lat 41.02 S Long 161.10 W

Tuesday
Feb the 18
These 24 hours commences light airs from N & S and calm pleasant weather ship heading E middle and Latter part light baffling winds from N & S to N & S ship heading from E to N & S so ends
Obs Lat 40.57 S Long 160.09 W