

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Pacific Ocean 1845

Sunday
March the 23

These 24 hours commences with light baffling winds
S to W steering S with all sail set rainy weather
middle part the same at daylight saw a sail at 8 o'clock
saw a shoal of sperm whales lowered the boats from
both ships which proved to be Martha of Sag Harbor
small whale to each ship so ends chasing whales

Monday
March the 24

This day commences with light baffling winds with squalls
of rain the boats chasing whales at 3 p.m. came along side
and cut in the whale at 5 p.m. saw whales going very quick
lowered 3 boats but could not come up with them 3 sail in sight
middle and latter part light baffling winds ship heading
from S to W
Obs Lat 10.32 S Long 147.01

Tuesday
March the 25

Commences with light baffling winds from the Eastward
and calms ship heading to the Northward middle and
latter part much the same employed in boiling the
whale the Martha in sight
Obs Lat 9.28 S Long 147.30 W

Wednesday
March the 26

These 24 hours commences with a brisk wind from S.E. and
pleasant ship heading S.E. with all sail set at 3 p.m.
finished boiling he made 5 barrels middle and latter part
ship heading from S.W. by W to S.W. with squalls of rain
low jumpers
Obs Lat 8.24 S Long 148.08 W

Thursday
March the 27

This day commences with light baffling winds from North
ward and Eastward ship heading from S.W. to S.W. by W
with squalls of rain middle part ship heading from S.W. by W
to S.W. and latter part part brisk winds from S steering S.W. by E
employed in painting ship saw nothing so ends
Obs Lat 7.28 S Long 147.56 W

Friday
March the 28

Commences with a brisk wind from S by E and pleasant
steering S by E with all sail set middle and latter part
a fresh breeze and baffling ship heading from S by E to
S.W. employed in painting ship and making spun yarn
Obs Lat 5.42 S Long 147.57 W

Saturday
March the 29

These 24 hours commences with brisk winds from S.E. to
to S by E and pleasant ship heading from S by E to S.W.
employed in painting boats middle and latter part
much the same saw nothing so ends
Obs Lat 4.08 S Long 148.26

Sunday
March the 30

This day commences with brisk winds from the Eastward
and pleasant weather ship heading to the Northward
with all sail set middle and latter part squally at 4 a.m.
the wind S.E. set studding sails at 8 the wind hauled to S by E
took in the studding sails ship heading S by E
Obs Lat 2.43 S Long 148.34 W

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Monday
March the 31

Commences with a fine breeze from the Eastward and pleasant
weather ship heading from S to S by E middle part light airs
with squalls of rain at 7 a.m. saw a large sperm whale
at 8 lowered the boats and chased at 12 came on thick
rainy and squally lost sight of him so ends
Obs Lat 1.56 S Long 148.38 W

Tuesday
April the 1

These 24 hours commences with light Easterly winds and
squally ship heading to the Northward at 1 p.m. the boat
came on board at 3 p.m. saw a breach to the windward
5 or 6 miles off middle part light winds at 7 a.m. saw 2 sperm
whales at 8 lowered the boats and chased but could not get fast
so ends

Wednesday
Apr the 2

This day commences with light Easterly winds and
pleasant ship heading S.E. at 1 p.m. the boats came
on board at 3 p.m. saw a whale breaching at 4 lowered
the boats for him struck killed and saved him at 7 p.m.
7 took him along side furlled the top gallant sails and
hailed up the courses at daylight calmed all hands and got
breakfast at 7 a.m. commenced cutting at 7 p.m. finished
made sail ship heading S by E with pleasant weather
Obs Lat 1.18 S Long 148.37 W

Thursday
Apr the 3

Commences with a fine breeze from S by E and pleasant
ship heading S by E middle and latter part much the
same at daylight commenced boiling saw nothing so ends
Obs Lat 0.11 S Long 148.24 W

Friday
April the 4

These 24 hours commences with light winds from S.E. by E
to S by E and pleasant ship heading to the Northward
employed in boiling at 7 a.m. finished he made 35 lbs
latter part calm weather saw nothing so ends
Obs Lat 1.38 S Long 148.24

Saturday
April the 5

This day commences winds from S.E. to S.E. and pleasant
ship heading from S to S.W. middle part squalls
of rain latter part light wind from S by N ship heading
S by E the watch employed in making spun yarn
Obs Lat 2.38 S Long 148.21 W

Sunday
April the 6

Commences with light Easterly winds and pleasant
ship heading S by E with all sail set middle part
much the same latter part brisk winds from S by E ship
heading S by W
Obs Lat 3.59 S Long 148.29 W

Monday
April the 7

These 24 hours commences with a brisk wind from S.E.
by E and squally weather ship heading S by W with all
sail set middle and latter part a fresh breeze from S.E. and
squally ship heading S.W. at 1 p.m. took in flying jib mizzen top
gallant sail
So Obs