

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Bound to Kamtschatka 1848

Thursday
May the 29

These 24 hours commences with a fresh gale from W with squalls of hail ship heading NW under double reef fore and main top sail & fore sail middle and latter part much the same set the main sail

Obs Lat 45.23 N Long 172.56 E

Friday
May the 30

This day begins with a fresh gale from W and overcast ship heading NW at 2 p.m. took in the main sail and close reefed the fore and main top sails middle part much the same latter part more moderate shook the reefs out of the top sails set the main sail and set 2 sail in sight

Obs Lat 46.18 N Long 173.23 E

Saturday
May the 31

Commences with a fresh breeze from W and overcast ship heading NW saw a Finback and carcass middle and latter part much the same at 5 a.m. tacked ship heading SW

Obs Lat 46.43 N Long 174.05 E

Sunday
June the 1

These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from NW and hazy weather ship heading SW after dinner saw a Right Whale lowered 3 boats and chased at 4 p.m. struck one the Iron drew and the whale went off middle and latter light airs and calms ship from NW to NW saw Finbacks and Sulphur bottoms so ends

Obs Lat 46.27 N Long 173.32

Monday
June the 2

This day begins with a light breeze from W ship heading NW at 3 p.m. the wind shifted to S steered NW with all sail set. saw Whales going quick capped them Finbacks at 11 p.m. it came squally with hail and rain took in top gallant sails at 12 Hoisting strong double reefed the top sails took in 1st and main sail wind SE latter part more moderate the wind shifted to SW thick weather on sail in sight

Obs Lat 47.45 N Long 171.47 E

Tuesday
June the 3

Commences with a fresh breeze from SW and thick weather steering NW under double reef top sails main sail & 1st middle part much the same at 2 a.m. the wind hauled to W ship heading NW at 5 a.m. strong breeze with squalls of hail and snow took in main sail and 1st saw Right Whales to rugged to lower so ends

Obs Lat 48.45 N Long 171.24 E

Wednesday
June the 4

These 24 hours commences with a strong gale from W with squalls of hail lying too under double reef main top sail and fore sail middle part the same latter part more moderate made sail ship heading NW

Obs Lat 49.20 N Long 1

Thursday
June the 5

Commences with a fresh breeze from SW and thick weather ship heading to the westward under double reef top sails at dark shortened sail and set quarter watches latter part it lighted up made sail saw 2 Right Whales lowered 4 boats struck and killed one he sunk fast 50 fathoms of line 2 lanes and 2 Irons spoke the Ontario of Longharlot 10 months out 400

Obs Lat

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Cruising June 6th 1848Friday
June the 6

These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from E and thick weather steering W under double reef main top sail and fore sail at daylight set the fore 3rd top sail wind SE thick weather with some rain in with the Ontario at sun down took in sail hove the ship too heading NW

Obs Lat

Saturday
June the 7

This day begins with a strong breeze from E ship heading NW at daylight set single reef top sails at 7 a.m. saw a Right Whale lowered and chased without success latter part a strong wind and thick weather ship heading W at 6 p.m. shortened sail wore ship to SE

Obs Lat 50.12 N Long 165.58 E

Sunday
June the 8

Commences with light breeze from NW and thick foggy ship heading NW at 11 a.m. it lighted up made sail with air calms steering NW at 5 p.m. 3 Right Whales lowered the chased them without success at dark came on board shortened sail

Obs Lat 50.06 N Long 166.57 E

Monday
June the 9

These 24 hours commences with light winds and foggy ship heading to the westward at 11 a.m. the fog lighted up made sail saw a Right Whale lowered the boats but could not get fast came on board and stored NW with a light wind from SE at 4 p.m. shut in thick foggy at 7 short end sail for the night heading SE

Obs Lat 50.15 N Long 166.53 E

Tuesday
June the 10

All of the twenty four hours thick foggy weather with fresh breeze from the southward ship heading to the Eastward under double main top sail so ends

Obs Lat

Wednesday
June the 11

All of these twenty four hours light winds from the southward and thick foggy weather ship heading to the westward at 5 p.m. wore ship to the Eastward under double reef main top sail and staysail

Thursday
June the 12

All of these 24 hours thick foggy weather with light winds from the southward ship going too heading to the Eastward at 7 a.m. kept the off and heeled at 8 and 12 a.m. hove the ship too again heading to the westward

so ends

Obs Lat

Friday
June the 13

Commences with a fresh breeze from S and foggy at daylight it lighted up made sail at 5 a.m. saw 2 Whales to lower kept the ship off for them before we got to them shut in foggy at 10 it lighted up again saw a Finback latter part strong breeze from S and thick fog shortened sail hove the ship too heading SE so ends