

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Cruising

Saturday
Aug the 30
These 24 hours commences with a light breeze from S W
and pleasant steering at 8 at daylight made sail at 7
a m blowing strong took in top gallant sails saw a large
right whale at 8 shut in thick fog lost run of him down
the top sails at 10 a m spoke the ship Josephine of
Sag Harbor Capt. Royce 28 or 30 bbls at 12 at moderated made
sail again at sun down saw 2 more stragg going very quick
in shore the land bearing W distant 10 miles 4 sail in sight
Obs Lat 54.32 N

Sunday
Aug the 31
Commences with a light breeze from the Northward
and pleasant all sail set at 10 a m saw 3 right whale
going quick lowered the boats and chased without success
coming on board saw another whale went on and struck
one boat the ran very bad at night got up with him
and killed him the Iron drew it being dark lost run of
him at 9 got on board the land bearing W distant about 10
miles 6 sail in sight Obs Lat 54.53 N

Monday
Sept the 1
All of these 24 hours light baffling airs and calms ship
working in shore sent a boat on board of the midas
to look for the whale saw nothing of him saw a great
many Finbacks 6 sail in sight one of them cutting
at sun down shortened sail Obs Lat 55.13 N

Tuesday
Sept the 2
All of these 24 hours light baffling airs and calms
with squalls of fog saw no Whales of any kind 3
sail in sight the land bearing W distant 15 miles
at sun down took in top gallant sails
Obs Lat 54.32 N

Wednesday
Sept the 3
Commences with a light breeze from N W with some fog
ship heading at N middle part fresh breeze latter part
light airs and calms at 4 p m saw a right whale going
quick lowered without success 7 sail in sight saw
one take a whale 8 m. bowling the land bearing N W
distant about 8 miles Obs Lat 54.29 Long 161.44 E

Thursday
Sept the 4
Begins with a fine breeze from S W and pleasant steering
at 8 at daylight made all sail at 8 a m. spoke the ship
Jefferson of New London Capt Harris 7 or 8 bbls at 11 a m
saw a right whale lowered and chased without success
at 2 p m saw another lowered but could not get fast
at 5 shut in foggy at sun down shortened sail steering
N W under easy sail 8 sail in sight this day the land
Obs Lat 54.51 N

Friday
Sept the 5
These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from S W and
thick fog steering at N under easy sail at 12 a m it lighted
up made sail at 2 p m saw 2 right whale lowered
without success at 4 shut in foggy again at sundown short-
ened sail and buffed to off shore Obs Lat 55.43 N

for Whales on the coast of Kamtschatka Sept 1845

Saturday
Sept the 6
This day commences with a fresh breeze from N W at
daylight made sail at 8 saw several right whale lowered
the boats but could not get fast found very shy at 11 a m
came on board blowing strong and rugged stood in
shore under the lee of mount Kamtschatka 2 boats went
in shore to fish found no fish at 5 came on board in
company with the midas of New Bedford and 2 other ships
heading S W sail in sight this day

Sunday
Sept the 7
These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from S W and
overcast at daylight made sail at 11 a m saw a right
whale lowered the boats but could not get fast at 12 shut
in foggy at 1 p m it lighted again saw the whale chasing
a whale lowered the boats without success remainder of the
day light winds with fog signals at sun down spoke the
slaty of Sag Harbor Capt Wells 1100 bbls saw 3 right whale
8-4 sail this day

Monday
Sept the 8
All of these 24 hours light baffling airs and calms all sail
set at 11 a m saw a right whale going quick lowered
2 boats but could not come up with him at 3 p m saw
another lowered the boats and struck the Iron drew
and the whale went off at sun took in the top gallant
sails the land 8-9 sail in sight 1 boiling
Obs Lat 55.42 Long 164.16 E

Tuesday
Sept the 9
These 24 hours commences with a fresh breeze from S W
and overcast at 11 a m shut in thick and raining
at 2 p m saw a right whale lowered 3 boats the bright
of New Bedford going near by lowered for the same without
success saw 2 more whale while down but could not get
fast latter part strong winds and rain at 7 p m doubt
recd the top sails 10 sail in sight this day one cutting

Wednesday
Sept the 10
All of these 24 hours a strong wind from E to N and thick
rainy weather ship heading at under double reef top sails
at 2 p m wore ship heading from N E to E at sun down
took in fore & mizzen top sail blowing strong saw 1 whale
8-3 sail this day

Thursday
Sept the 11
Commences with a strong breeze from N E and rugged squally
weather at 12 a m moderated at 2 p m saw a number of
whale lowered 4 boats and chased without success
at 6 came along side calm weather and a bad swell
heaving on shore lowered the boats and towed the ship
off at 9 p m a light breeze sprang up from S E came along
side ship heading the distant about 5 miles to land

Friday
Sept the 12
Begins with a fresh breeze steering to the Northward at 8 a m
blowing strong double reefed the top sails at 11 more moderate saw
right whale lowered the boats without success latter part strong
winds at sun down spoke the Prosperwell of Warren Capt Littlefield
13 months out 1000 bbls the land 8-5 sail in sight Obs Lat 55.07