

Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington

Saturday These 24 hours begins with light winds from
Dec the 12 at daylight made sail ship heading S E at 8 o'clock finished boiling he made
+ 70 Bbs at 11 Saw 3 Sperm Whale going very quick
lowered but could not get fast at sun down the land
distant 15 Carrying all sail to night
Obs Lat 47.12 S Long 76.00 W

Sunday Commences with light baffling winds and
Dec the 13 pleasant ship heading to the Southward
under all sail at 4 o'clock. Tacked ship heading
from W to S W. Saw a number of Fin backs at
sun down Shortened sail So ends
Obs Lat 47.24 S Long 76.07 W

Monday Begins with a fresh breeze from S E and rugged
Dec the 14 at daylight made sail and broke out for stowing
down Stowed down 70 Bbs in after 8 main hatch
at 3 P.M. Saw a Right Whale lowered 2 boats
struck & killed him he sunk lost 4 Iron Bottoms
of line at sun down Shortened sail ship heading
S E at 8 o'clock
Obs Lat 47.26 S Long 76.53 W

Tuesday Commences with a fresh breeze from S and pleasant
Dec the 15 at daylight made sail 6 o'clock saw a right Whale
at 7 lowered 3 boats. Struck killed and saved him
at 10 took him along side & commenced cutting at
4 P.M. finished cleared up decks and commenced
boiling So ends
Obs Lat 47.37 S

Wednesday All of these 24 hours light baffling winds and calm
Dec the 16 employed in boiling at 7 o'clock saw a right Whale
+ lowered 2 boats ^{twice} without success at sun down light
wind from W ship heading S E Shortened sail So ends
Obs Lat 47.44 S Long 76.46 W

Cruising for Whale on the coast of Chili December 1854

Thursday Commences with light winds from the westward
Dec the 17 and calm ship heading from S to S W Letter part
for squalls ship heading to the Northward at 8 o'clock
finished boiling he made 110 Bbs at sun down Shortened
sail Saw no Right Whale this day So ends
Obs Lat 48.05 S Long 76.48 W

Friday These 24 hours begins with light westerly winds & pleasant
Dec the 18 at daylight made sail ship heading W broke out the
fore hold and commenced stowing down Stowed 110
Bbs at 11 A.M. lowered 2 boats for a Whale without success
at 3 P.M. lowered again struck killed & saved one
at 10 took him along side and took in sail
So ends So ends
Obs Lat 47.46 S Long 76.42 W

Saturday Commences with light wind from S W
Dec the 19 and pleasant at 6 o'clock commenced
cutting at 10 finished made sail ship heading
to the Westward at 5 o'clock lowered for Right Whale
struck killed & saved one at 8 took him along
side & took in sail. employed in boiling saw a
number of Right Whale So ends ship heading W S W.
Obs Lat 47.47 S Long 76.51 W

Sunday Begins with a fresh breeze from S and for squalls
Dec the 20 ship heading S E at 6 o'clock cooled down wore
ship and commenced cutting at 11 finished
wore ship and made sail heading from W to S W at
12 started the works again at sun down Shortened
sail So ends

Monday Commences with a fresh breeze from W S W ship heading
Dec the 21 at 10 P.M. wore ship heading from S E to S W employed
in boiling saw 2 sail spoke an English Merchant bark
the Chilean saw Fin backs Obs Lat 47.40 S Long 76.52 W