

Ship Charles

Shelph of Stonington

Thursday These 24 hours commences with light westerly
Dec the 31 winds not pleasant at daylight made sail
at fresh breeze from NW Ship heading
watch employed in drying & mending
down took in sail thick weather
sight this day but no whale
Obs Lat 47.48 Long 78.11 W

Friday Commences with strong winds from NW and
Jan the 1 thick weather ship under double reef main
top sail & fore sail heading NW at 1 P.M.
took in the fore sail & close reefed the main
top sail
Sailing a strong gale at 2 P.M. a merchant
barge from New Bedford of Belfast
sailed close to us
sail in sight to end
Obs Obs

Saturday All of these 24 hours strong westerly gale
Jan the 2 ship by sailing too under close reef main top
sail heading from SW to NW at 12 P.M.
more the heading from NW to NW at
6 P.M. set the fore sail at 2 P.M. set close reef
sail & fore sail to end 3 sail in sight
Obs Lat 48.10 Long 78.53 W

Sunday All of these 24 hours strong westerly gale ship
Jan the 3 by sailing too under close reef main top
ship heading from SW to NW at 7 P.M. more
in sight sailing SW by S thick rainy weather 4 sail
to end No Obs

Monday All of these 24 hours strong gale from NW
Jan the 4 to NW and thick weather ship by sailing
top heading from SW to NW under double reef
main top sail & fore sail at 4 P.M. took in
the fore sail & close reefed the main top sail
Obs Lat 48.23 Long 79.12 W

Cruising for Whales on the coast of Chile December 1848

Tuesday Commences with a strong gale from W to NW
Jan the 5 and thick rainy weather ship heading from
W to SW at 8 P.M. spoke the Benjamin Morgan
of New London 6 months out oil not reported
at 9 P.M. ship later part strong gale from W
ship heading NW 2 sail in sight to end
Obs Lat 48.50 Long 80.00 W

Wednesday These 24 hours commences with a strong gale
Jan the 6 from W ship by sailing too under close reef main top
sail heading NW at 6 P.M. wore off S^d and set
double reef top sails & fore sail hauled round Cape
Horn at 10 Set the fore main sail & fore top
sail at 1 P.M. more moderate shook the reefs out
of the top sail later part steering S by E set
sea watches 2 sail in sight this day to end
Obs Lat 48.57 Long 78.43 W

Thursday Commences with light baffling winds and
Jan the 7 rainy weather at 2 P.M. spoke a French
whaler the Brance of Havre later part
fresh breeze from SW to NW ship heading
from SE to SSE with squall weather at 2 P.M.
spoke a ship standing to the northward
Obs Lat 49.55 Long 78.10 W

Friday Begins with fresh breezes from S to NW and
Jan the 8 squally weather ship heading from ESE to
SE under the top sail courses & fore at 9 P.M.
more moderate set top gallant sails & flying
jib at 11 the wind W set top mast standing sail
at 6 P.M. strong breeze from NW and thick weather
took in top gallant sails jibs and main sail steering
SE by E saw a ship standing to the northward
Obs Lat 51.13 Long 77.34 W