

Ship Charles Phelps Outward Bound
Thursday, July 1st 1847

Light winds from the NW and fine weather. Steering SE with all sail set. Making Boat sails & doing odd jobs. Saw the town of Fajal. Middle part the same. Latter part good weather. At 7 saw a sperm whale within 10 miles of St. George. Lowered away, at 8 struck him, killed him and at 9 hauled him to the ship. Got gear up and began cutting.



Friday, July 2nd Light winds and beautiful weather from the NW. Cutting. At 8 finished. St. George SE distant 5 miles. Cleared up, got ready for boiling. At 11 started the works. Latter part weather the same. Saw a Barge Steering E.

Saturday, July 3rd Light winds from the NW and fine weather. Heading in to the land. Boiling. Graciosa, St. George, Fajal and Fajal in sight. Middle part at 10 rose ship off shore. At 31 backed back again. Breezing on. Latter part strong breeze and squally, drizzly weather. Boiling. Menaced Fire of sail. At 10 double reefed the main of sail.

Sunday, July 4th

Strong breeze from the NW. Fajal about 5 miles on the lee. Boiling. At 2 went ship off shore. Set whole main of sail. Quilt rigged. Saw a schooner. Middle part at 11 backed on shore. At 4 cooled down and stood in between Fajal and Pico. At 9 Captain went on shore. Shipped two bottles.

Monday, July 5th Baffling winds and squally. Lying off and on Fajal. Captain on shore. At 4 Captain came off land. The stood out to the wind to the NW. Middle part strong breeze. Latter part confused gusts and stood in again. At 4 put on board of a lighter 15 casks containing 2543 gallons of sperm oil to be sent home.

Tuesday, July 6th Strong breeze and squally. At 3 the Captain came on board and we bore away for Fajal, running down between St. George and Graciosa. Middle part at 10 backed too and backed and filled. At 3 bore away. At 9 Captain went on shore at Fajal.

Wednesday, July 7th Lying off and on Fajal. Took on board recruits. Middle part same. Latter part Lying off and on.

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Thursday, July 8th 1847

Light winds and squally. Lying off and on Fajal. Middle part all sail set. At 8 rode a boat and went in and got 2 men. Squally wind SW heading SSE. At 11 rode and set all sail again. Pickling onions and bleaching ship.

Friday, July 9th Lively breeze from SW and good weather. Steering by the wind to the SSE all sail set. Breezing ship by the head by storing down salt water and shocks. Middle part beautiful weather. Latter part the same. Hauling out anchor over again. Pickling onions &c.

Saturday, July 10th Pleasant breeze from the NW and good weather. Steering by the wind all sail set. Pickling and put work on odd jobs. Middle part the same. Latter part beautiful weather. Saw nothing.

Sunday, July 11th Light winds from the NW and beautiful weather. Steering by the wind. Set the 5th of sail. Middle part about calm. Latter part a light air from the NE.

Monday, July 12th Light breeze from the SE and fine weather. Breezing by the wind all sail set. Middle part light winds. Latter part lively breeze from the SE. Employed in filling Starboard Boat and rigging &c.

Tuesday, July 13th Lively breeze from SE and fine weather. Steering SW all sail set. At work on boat and rigging. Middle part strong breeze from the E and flaws. Breezing by the wind. Latter part the same. At work on the S Boat making Sennet. Spun yarn machine &c. Saw a cat.

Wednesday, July 14th Strong breeze from the E and flaws. Steering by the wind all sail set to advantage. At work on jobs. Put out the S Boat. Middle part the same. Latter part showery. By the wind. Making scuttle butt.

Thursday, July 15th Strong breeze and good weather. Steering by the wind all sail set. finished scuttle butt. Making Sennet &c. Middle part the same. Steering SW. Latter part good weather. Painted the Starboard boat. Making spun yarn machine. Nothing seen.