

Chas Phelps On Chili
Thursday October 14th 1847

Lively winds from the SW and fine weather. Heading to the wind at the main top sail set. Saw a finback at 7 double reefed the top sail. heading W.M. Latter part beautiful weather. Wind E. Set all sail and steered S.W. saw finbacks and a ship a whaling. In sight 43.22
77.14

Friday Oct 15th

Lively winds from the E.S. and beautiful weather. All sail set steering S.W. Saw 2 sail and a finback and pumper but no light whales. Middle part good weather heading SW till 11 then more to the N. Latter part steering S.W. At 11 lowered for blackfish. Hugged. Got 5 and took them to the ship and hoisted them in. A sail to the Eastward

Saturday Oct 16th

Lively winds from the E.S. and drizzle weather. Steering N. all sail in sight. Employed in cleaning blackfish. Finished at 4. Saw a finback Middle part weather the same heading Northward and short sail. Latter part moderate set all sail. Started the work. Saw finback. heading N.E. Came at 10 and began on 100 m fore and mizen top gallant sails. Wind shifted to the N. Bad weather.

Sunday Oct 17th

Strong breeze from the N and rain. Boiling finished at 2 and shortened sail to a double reefed main top sail and fore sail. Saw 2 sail. At 4 hauled up weather clear of the fore sail. At 5 hauled ship to N.W. heading N.E. Middle part squally. Latter part strong breeze and squally. Double reefed top sail and steered off S.E. Three sail in sight at 10 spoke the ship Williams 1100. W 1000. 43.05
76.10

Monday Oct 18th

Fresh winds from the N.W. and squally. Steering N.E. in company of the N.W. No whals to be seen. At 7 shortened sail but steering N.E. till 11 then more to the N.W. Latter part lively wind and showers. Set all sail and steered N.E. At 9 made the land at 10 hauled to the N. At 11 more round and steered S. Saw finbacks 44.09
74.40

Tuesday Oct 19th

Light winds from the W and fine weather. All sail set steering S. Saw many finbacks and a shoal of cow fish. Middle part good weather. Latter part white top sail and steered off S.E. At 10 lighter breeze. Boiling on fast and drizzle. Got 6 m sail to a double reefed main top sail and fore sail. At 11 more ship to the N. Quafe heading E.S. distant about 10 miles 45.58

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Wednesday October 20th 1847

Blowing a gale from the N with rain and very squally. Ship lying under a double reefed main top sail and fore sail heading W. At 5 close reefed the main top sail and hoisted up the Reefs. Middle part moderate. Latter part light wind. Set all sail. Saw many finbacks and sulphur bottom. Steered E. At 8 began raining. At 11 more ship to the S. Quafe 15 miles E 44.02
76.10

Thursday Oct 21st

Light winds from the N.W. and rain. Heading S. with main top sail set. At 10 spoke the ship. Wind shift to the N.W. Saw finbacks. A sail in sight. Middle part good S.W. under double reefed top sail. Latter part fine weather. Wind N.W. Set all sail heading westward. At 10 spoke the ship. Saw 1 ship but no whals. Bottom 44.02
76.10

Friday Oct 22nd

Freezing on fresh from the N.W. Spoke reefed the top sail. Saw several ships one of them whaling. Spoke the bottom of Salmouth. Middle part fresh breeze and rain. At 3 the wind hauled S. Latter part blowing strong with fresh rain and very squally. Ship heading W under a double reefed main top sail and fore sail. Light whals very scarce as we have seen but one so far.

Saturday Oct 23rd

Blowing strong from the SW and rain. Squally weather. Ship heading W under a double reefed main top sail and fore sail. At 9 more ship to the S. Blowing strong. Latter part heavy squalls with hail. Sailed sail. Hauled up fore sail 43.46

Sunday Oct 24th

Blowing a gale from the SW. Ship heading N.W. under a close reefed main top sail with the fore sail hauled up. Saw 2 sail. Middle part moderate. Latter part well rounded and squally. Set whole top sail jib and main sail heading W. Saw many finbacks and one light whale 43.14
77.33

Monday Oct 25th

Lively winds from the S and squally. Lowered for a whale and chased two hours but could not strike. At 6 lowered for another. Struck Milner's pen and took him to the ship. Middle part the weather the same. Latter part got up the gear and cut in the whale. At 10 commenced boiling a ship in sight a whaling. Boiling time 45.58

