

Chas Phelps

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Tuesday October 26th 1847

Sprong breeze from the S and S.W. employed in
hoisting & furling the sails. William & A. Dick whaling. Sprong
part at 2 more ship to the S. Latter part squally. No whales

Wednesday Oct 27th

Fresh breeze and squally
hoisting & under reefed top sails. At 4 saw 3 right whales
lowered but could not strike. At 7 finished hoisting. Sprong
part heading S. Latter part strong breeze and squally. Saw 3
whales. Lowered for one and struck but the boat drew. At 9
shut the m. thick foggy weather

Thursday Oct 28th

Fresh breeze from the W with thick
dirty weather and squally. Standing by with single reefed
top sail, jib and main sail. Saw a finback. Middle part
moderate. Latter part some squally. At 4 saw whales. Employed
in showing down. Lowered twice for whales but did not get
near them. Finished showing down. Dugged

Friday Oct 29th

Fresh breeze from the W and tolerable
weather. Lowered for a whale and dashed an iron against
him but did not fasten. At 6 lowered again. No success.
Middle part heading W under short sail. Latter part good
weather. A sail in sight. Lowered for a whale without success

Saturday Oct 30th

Fresh breeze from the N.W. and squally weather. Lowered
for a whale but could not get near him. Took the 10 miles
day. Latter nothing. Middle part blowing strong heading S.
Latter part moderate. Set all sail. Saw finback

Sunday Oct 31st

Moderate wind from the W and
sprong. Lowered for 2 whales going quick to leeward. No
luck. Middle part heavy rain and wind. Latter part
wind shifted to the W and changed up. Breezing on. Saw
many finbacks. Heading N.W.

Monday Nov 1st

Sprong breeze from the W and
squally. Heading S. At 2 started off E. In saw a finback.
Middle part heading S. Latter part strong west wind
with squalls of rain and hail. Made sail and started off E.
Saw finback. A sail in sight. Sighted Quao & 40 miles

Tuesday Nov 2nd

Sprong wind from the W and very rough
with squalls of rain and hail. Saw the baraban chas. Loger.
Saw black fish. A sail to the leeward. Middle part the same.
Latter part commenced squally but cleared off finally. Started &
left 11 then wore off W. Whales distant 15 miles. Saw Hanflack.

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Wednesday November 3rd 1847

Light wind from the S.W. and fine weather. All sail
set heading N.W. Saw finbacks and porpoises. Middle
part calm. Latter part slight wind from the E. Lowered for 3
whales but could not strike. Quao in sight distant about 70 miles

Thursday Nov 4th

Light wind from the E and fine
weather. Heading W. At 4 lowered and struck a whale. Head
him and took him to the ship, and cut him in. Middle
part heading S. Latter part fresh breeze from N.E. and thick
showery weather. Strong S.W. Saw many finbacks. Cleared tone

Friday Nov 5th

Fresh breeze from the N.E. with
thick showery weather. Strong S.W. Saw finbacks and
porpoises. Middle part light wind and squally. Latter
part light air from the N.W. heading S. Started the work
at 10. At 11 lowered for a whale but could not get near
him. No squalls

Saturday Nov 6th

Light wind from the W. Employed in hoisting. At 5
saw 2 whales. Struck one and killed him and took him to the
ship. Got a boat back. Store and one man slightly hurt. Middle
part foggy dirty weather and breezing on. Latter part blowing
heavy and squally. Strong S.W. and hooked on to the whale. Could
not cut. Work back and tried again. Gave it up. Fluke chain
packed fast on another. At 10 wore again and began cutting

Sunday Nov 7th

Sprong breeze from the W and very
rough but moderates fast. At 3 finished cutting and
cleared up deck and put out a new boat. Two sails in sight
at 6 very light wind. Middle part moderate wind
but very foggy. Latter part wore ship to the S.W. Breezing
in fast and dirty weather. Hoisting.

Monday Nov 8th

Hoisting a gale from the W with
rain. Ship heading S.W. under close reefed main top sail and
lee clew of the fore sail. At 2 coiled down. Middle part
blowing heavy and rainy. Latter part wind W and moderate
a sea but a very bad sea on