

Chas Phelps

Bound to the North West
Saturday Feby 5th 1848

Blowing a moderate gale from the SE and rugged. Steering N by E with all sail set. Employed in mending main sail. Middle part moderate, all sail set to the best advantage. Latter part lively breeze from the SE. Bent the main sail and began repairing the old fore sail.

33.12
77.20Sunday Feby 6th

Light winds from the SE and good weather. Steering N by E with all sail set. Finished the fore sail and bent it. Saw 3 sail standing to the wind to the NW. Middle part moderate, wind. Steering N by E. Latter part fine weather. Set fore by motion sail.

31.17
78.17Monday Feby 7th

Pleasant breeze from the SE and good weather. Steering N by E with a fore by mast. Stun sail set. Middle part weather the same. Latter part light wind. Saw 4 blackfish. Employed in mending sails and making spungas.

28.53
79.23Tuesday Feby 8th

Light winds from the SE and good weather. Steering N by E with all sail set. Employed in mending sails. Saw 4 blackfish. Middle part light wind. Steering N by E. Latter part weather the same. Course N by E. Windy seas.

27.00

Wednesday Feby 9th

Light breeze and good weather. Course N by E with all sail set. Mending sails. At 6 started N by E. Middle part light wind. And showy. Latter part good weather. Bent a fly jib and clearing work.

25.30

Thursday Feby 10th

Light winds from the SE and good weather. Steering N by E. Employed in cleaning gun works and painting it. Middle part showy. Latter part light wind from the SE and good weather. Painting gun works. Such as chains and cleaning overhead boats.

23.25
78.10

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Friday February 11th 1848

Lively SE breeze and good weather. Steering N by E with all sail set. Employed in painting gun works and overhead boats. Making spungas. Middle part light wind. Course N by E. Latter part weather the same. Employed in painting ship and jolting on rigging. Saw a sail working.

21.12
77.28Saturday Feby 12th

Light SE breeze and good weather. Steering N by E with all sail set. Employed in painting ship and at work on the rigging. Middle part light wind from the SE. Latter part the wind and weather the same. Painting ship and at work on the rigging. Saw Blackfish.

19.44
79.09Sunday Feby 13th

Light SE breeze and good weather. Steering N by E with all sail set. Employed in painting ship and jolting on the rigging. Middle and latter part the wind and weather the same.

15.13

Monday Feby 14th

Light SE breeze and good weather. Steering N by E with all sail set. Saw nothing like whales. Middle part light wind. Latter part the same. Employed in bundling bone and jolting.

16.30
80.30Tuesday Feby 15th

Light SE breeze and good weather. All sail set. Steering N by E. Nothing seen. Employed in bundling bone and jolting. At 5 lowered and got a blackfish. Middle part light air from the SE. Latter part breeze a little. Employed on the rigging and building up the front of my work.

15.03

Wednesday Feby 16th

Light winds from SE and good weather. Course N by E. At work on rigging. Saw a spigate heading S by E. Middle part light wind. Latter part most calm. At 6 lowered and struck to Blackfish. Taken from 3 and drew from 3. At 10 lowered for a sperm whale but the next morning another came up with him and they started quick to homeward. Chased 2 hours and gave him up.