

Chas Phelps ^{Wednesday} Thursday Feb 17th 1848

Light winds from the SE and good weather. All sail set. Steering NW. At work on the rigging. At 4 lowered and struck 3 fish. Got one. Middle part good weather. Latter part the same. At work on the rigging. 82.26
82.21

Friday Feb 18th Light trades and good weather. All sail set. Steering NW. At work on the rigging. Saw Blackfish. Middle part wind and weather the same. Latter part light air. At 12 lowered for Blackfish. Saw thousands of them.

Saturday Feb 19th Light trades and good weather. Blackfishing. At 6 finished and began to clear them away. Middle part light trades. At 12 finished the fish. Latter part light winds. Commenced boiling. Sailed at 4 P.M. 9.46
83.22

Sunday Feb 20th

Light trades and good weather. Steering NW. All sail set. Employed in boiling. At 6 started NW to M. At 9 finished boiling. Middle and latter part light winds and fine weather. 8.40

Monday Feb 21st

Light winds and good weather. Steering NW. At 4 lowered and got 5 Blackfish. Middle part light winds. Latter part the same. Saw Blackfish but did not lower. At 10 began boiling. 7.30
85.30

Tuesday Feb 22nd

Light winds and good weather. Steering NW. At 3 finished boiling. Making poke dough. Middle part light air. Latter part the same. At work on the rigging. Nothing seen. 6.15
86.30

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Light winds from the E and good weather. All sail set. Steering NW. At work on the rigging. Saw Gramp. Middle part calm. Latter part light winds. At work on rigging. Strapping and painting fresh water buckets. 5.34
87.11

Saturday Feb 24th

Light winds from the NE and good weather. All sail set. Steering NW. At work on rigging. Making spun yarn and jelling. Nothing seen. Middle part wind veers and hauls fall round the compass with showers of rain. Latter part light air from SE. Saw Sulfur Bottoms. 4.17
87.30

Sunday Feb 25th

Light air from the SE and good weather. All sail set. Steering NW. At work on the rigging. Middle part light air and calm. Saw many Blackfish. Latter part light winds. Saw several shoals of Blackfish going so quick to lower for them. At work on the rigging and jelling. 4
88.13

Monday Feb 26th

Light winds from the SE and good weather. All sail set. Steering NW. At work on the rigging. Saw Blackfish going quick. At 4 lowered and got 3. Middle part light winds. Latter part the same. Began boiling. 2.39
89.18

Tuesday Feb 27th

Light winds from the SE and good weather. All sail set. Steering NW. At 4 finished boiling and stored down 20 barrels of Blackfish oil. At 6 Lighter Woods Island. Middle part Steering NW with a light breeze till 3 then luffed, too with head yards aback till 5 then stood NW. Latter part Steering N for the land with a light breeze. At 12 off the west end about 5 miles distant.

Wednesday Feb 28th

Light winds and good weather. Lowered away 3 trabs and went on shore for Peruvian. At 6 came on board with one Peruvian Stunk and 200 fish. The most miserable Island that ever a man slept on. Middle part wind NE by E. Working to windward. At 6 am found the ship about 20 miles to leeward. Within 10 miles of Charles Island. A Barge in sight. Latter part Steering NW for Indefatigable Island.