

Chas Phelps

North West
Saturday June 3rd 1848

Smart breeze from the S with sea squalls and rugged weather. Hauling under which 1st sail. At 8 lowered and struck a whale a long dart off and held on 5 minutes when the iron drew. Could not get on again. Middle part moderate and fine. Latter part light breeze from the E and beautiful weather. Hauling 48 E. Saw 1 killed and a fin back.

56.23
145.45Sunday June 4th

Light air from the E and fine weather. All sail set heading W. Saw 1 killed. Middle and latter part calm. Saw fin back and shot a seal.

56.31
145.25Monday June 5th

Commenced with a calm. At 11 a. first breeze sprung up from the E. All sail set heading to the N. E. Saw fin back. Middle part breezing on and growing rugged. Latter part strong breeze from the N. Hauling 48. At 8 lowered for a whale. Chased and came on board. At 10 lowered again for the same one and struck and killed him. Blowing a smart gale with rain and too rough for whaling. This day was fast to the whale.

Tuesday June 6th

Blowing a gale from the E with dirty hazy weather and very rugged. At 1 cut the line to the ship and hauled. At 3 hauled a gamut and packed. At 5 succeeded in getting the whale along side. Put on one fluke chain and two ropes and got in sail. Made everything snug and fast. Middle part blowing very heavy. At 12 M. fluke rope packed, put on another. Latter part blowing a smart gale and too rugged to cut. Drizzly rain. Moderated.

Wednesday June 7th

Blowing a gale from the E. with rain and rugged, but moderating fast. At 8 hooked on to the whale and began cutting. At 9 finished. At 12 began boiling. Light wind from the W. Latter part light wind from the W and good weather. Employed in boiling. Saw a sail and several fin backs. Boiling to the leeward.

57.25

Thursday June 8th

Light wind from the W and fog squalls. Boiling. Boiling to the leeward. Middle part moderate. Latter part light wind and fine weather. Lowered three times for whales without success. Saw many but all going quick to the N. E. and N. W. Water very light green.

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Friday June 9th 1848

Smart breeze from the S and fine weather. Boiling. Saw many whales but all going quick to the N. E. Lowered 3 times without success. At 9 calm. Latter part finished boiling. Light wind from the W and foggy. Chased one. At 11 fog lifted.

Saturday June 10th

Light wind from the W and good weather. Hauling 48 on all sail. At 1 lowered for a whale. Did not get near him. At 4 lowered for 2 others. Struck and killed them and at 6 got them to the ship. Middle part light wind and thick fog. Latter part the same. Hooked on the whale and began cutting.

Sunday June 11th

Light wind from the S and foggy. Employed in cutting. At 6 finished 2 large whales. At 10 fog lifts. Saw a whale. At 10 began boiling. Middle part light air. Latter part light wind from the S. S. W. and good weather.

57.42
145.12Monday June 12th

Light wind from the S. W. and foggy. Boiling. Saw a whale. At 3 wind shifted to the N. W. and fog closed up. At 7 fog again. Middle and latter part light air from the E and foggy weather.

Tuesday June 13th

Light wind from the E and dark cloudy weather. Employed in cutting. Hauling 48 under short sail. At 7 wore ship to the S. Boiling. At 12 wore to the N. Breezing on and thick drizzly weather. Latter part strong breeze from the E and drizzly weather. Boiling and storing down.

Wednesday June 14th

Strong breeze from the E and thick drizzly weather. Hauling 48. Boiling and storing down. At 6 finished storing. Moderated. Water very thick. At 12 wore to the S. Latter part moderate fog.

Thursday June 15th

Light wind from the E and foggy. Boiling. Hauling 48. Middle part breezing on fast and cutting. At 2 wore to the N. W. Water N. E. Latter part blowing a smart gale and very rugged. Hauling 48. Boiling. Foggy drizzly weather.