

Chas Phelps

Bound to Chili

Sunday Oct 1st 1858

Light breeze from the N.E. and good weather. All sail set Steering S.E. by E. Met the Hdd. At 4th raised a shoal of sperm whales. At 5th hove to and struck 5 whales. Seized 4 of them and got them alongside at 11. Mended part lying with head yards aback heading N.E. Latter part at 6 the fog on and hove 2 of the whales in whole. Cut and finished the others by 11. Won ship No 58 4th 5 and set whole top sail 3.45

Monday Oct 2nd

Light winds from E by N and good weather. Standing S.E. by S. Under whole top sail. Clearing away heads. At 6 had the deck cleared. At 6 set the top gal. Sails. Mended part flayed. Latter part light wind and good weather. At 6 began boiling

5.16
162.13Tuesday Oct 3rd

Light winds from the E and good weather. Steading S.E. employed in boiling. Mended part wind E by S. Latter part lively winds from the E. Boiling. Nothing seen

6.45
161.57Wednesday Oct 4th

Light winds from the E by N. Steading S.E. by S with top gallant sails and fly jib set. Employed in boiling. Mended part light air. At 3 finished boiling. At 4 rainy. Latter part light air and rainy - No obs

7.40
161.00Thursday Oct 5th

Light air and good weather. Met the hdd. Mended part calm and light air. At 5 a smart breeze from the N.E. for an hour. At 7 another squall for an hour. Remainder of the day light wind. Breaking out provisions. Boopering it and storing it over again. No obs

8.31

Friday Oct 6th

Light winds from the E.N.E. and good weather. Breaking out provisions and coopers. At 12 saw a break to the weather. Tacked until 4 but saw nothing more of it. Mended part moderate breeze from N.E. Steading S.E. Latter part light winds from N.E. by E. Hoved down 50 barrels of sperm oil in the after hatch

9.18
160.84

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Saturday Oct 7th 1858

Light winds from the N.E. by E and fine weather. All sail set Steering S.E. by S. Boopering provisions. At 6 p.m. M. Steading S.E. Moderate. At 1 came on squally. Came too with main yard a tack and lay till 7 when steamed S.E. Finished boopering provisions at 7. Latter part moderate winds all sail set

11.55

Sunday Oct 8th

Light winds from the N and good weather. All sail set Steering S.E. At 3 the fog came out from the S and squally. Showery weather. At 5 calm and smart rain. At 6 a light breeze sprung up from the E and cleared up. Mended part moderate. Latter part light breeze from the E by N. Set top and top gal. Stead sails

12.08
160.23Monday Oct 9th

Light winds from the E and good weather. All sail set Steering S.E. At 6 some haze E by S and squally. Took in the top sail. Mended part smart squalls. Took in fore and mid top gal sails and fly jib. Split the mid top sail. Latter part strong breeze. Set down mid top sail. Mended it and bent it again

14.14
160.57Tuesday Oct 10th

Strong breeze from the E.S.E. and hazy. Steading S. with main top gal sail and fly jib set. Finished mending fore top gal sail. Untwisted the main and bent it down and bent the fore in the place of it. Mended part showery. Latter part moderate and moderate. Mended fore top gal sail and bent it. Set all sail.

16.39
160.58Wednesday Oct 11th

Smart breeze from the E and good weather. All sail set Steering S.E. At work on the rigging. Lena Cooper making baskets. Mended part moderate wind. Latter part light wind from N.E. and squally. Set all sail

17.54
160.56Thursday Oct 12th

Light winds from N.E. and showery. Everything set Steering S.E. Met the hdd. Mended part light air and fine weather. Latter part a pleasant breeze from the N.E. and good weather. Steering S.E. by E. Setting up rigging

19.55
160.59