

Chas Phelps

Homeward Bound
Monday Oct 1st 1849

Fresh breeze from SW and very rough. Steering E by S under
single reefed top sails jib and main sail. Ship rolling heavily.
Middle part moderate. At 12 set all sail. Wind N. Latter
part lively, wind from the N and good weather. All sail set
to advantage steering S by E.

38.32
141.19Tuesday Oct 2nd

Lively wind from the N and good
weather. All sail set steering S by E. Clouds up. Mizzen top sail and
mended it. Showers. Middle part wind N.W. from 12 to 2.
calm. then a light wind from N.W. Latter part light
wind from N.W. and fine weather. Unbent the main top
sail and sent a new one

39.30
139.18Wednesday Oct 3rd

Light wind from N.W. and
fine weather. All sail set that will draw steering. Mended
main top sail and sent it forward. Showers. At 8 calm. At 11 a
light wind from S. At 4 wind S.E. and breeze. At 5 took in
the top gallant sails. Latter part strong breeze from S by S
heading by the wind on under whole top sails and jib

40
138.21Thursday Oct 4th

Strong breeze from S by S. Heading by the wind on
under whole top sails and jib. At 2 set main top gal sail
Middle part light squally weather. And the wind veered and
hauled from S to E.S.E. Latter part wind S by E. Set all sail
at 11 hauled to the S by N.

39.48

Friday Oct 5th

Light wind from S by E. and good
weather. All sail set heading by the wind S by N. At 3 light
hauled to E.N.E. At 6 wind N.E. Middle part light baffling wind
from N to E.N.E. Latter part wind N.E. and dark cloudy weather
Set all sail that would draw. Steering E.S.E.

Saturday Oct 6th

Lively wind from N.W. and dark
cloudy weather. All sail set that will draw steering E.S.E.
At 6 wind N.W. Middle part light wind. Latter part lively
wind and dark cloudy weather. Saw porpoises

41.32
130.58

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Sunday October 7th 1849

Lively wind from the N.W. and dark cloudy weather. All
sail set that will draw steering E by S. At 1 fine clear weather.
Middle part lively wind and smooth water. Latter part wind and
weather continued the same

42.21
129.49Monday Oct 8th

Lively wind from N.W. and cloudy
weather. All drawing sail set steering E by S. Smooth water. Middle
part wind N.W. and ship rain at times. Latter part lively
wind and good weather

43.21
126.53Tuesday Oct 9th

Lively wind from the N.W. and
good weather. All drawing sail set steering E by S. Middle part the
wind and weather continued the same. Latter part at 8 wind N.W. by
N and squally. Breeze some. Set fly jib

43.55
123.40Wednesday Oct 10th

Smart breeze from N.W. and dark cloudy weather
All drawing sail set steering E by S with all drawing sail set
Middle part breeze on strong. At 11 took in the Royal. At 2 took
in the Stunsails. Set main top gal Stunsail. At 5 took in fore and
miz top gallant sails and main sail. Latter part a moderate gale and
drizzle. At 8 double reefed the mizzen top sail

45.19
119.59Thursday Oct 11th

A moderate gale from N.W. and thick
heavy weather. Steering E by S under whole fore and main top sails. Main
top gal sail and reefed mizzen top sail. At 1 wind N by N. Reefed fore
top sail. At 2 moderate. Set the Royal. At 8 closed up and breeze
took in the Royal. At 11 a drizzle rain. Latter part smart breeze. At 9
set the Royal and whole top sails. At 11 cleared up some.

45.53
116.25Friday Oct 12th

Strong breeze from the N and puffing. Steering E by S
with main Royal and whole top sails set. At 1 set fore top gal sail. Fore Stunsail
and main top gal Stunsail. Middle part strong breeze and
thick weather. Latter part at 9 breeze and cleared up. Took
in the Stunsails

46.41
112.26