

Cha Phelps

Troodas Cape Horn
Saturday Oct 13th 1849

Strong breeze from the N and clear weather. Rugged. Steering by S. Under main royal set. At 3 split the cap. At 3 took in top gallant sails and reefed the Mizzen top sail. Smart gale and squally. At 4 reefed the fore top sail. At 6 reefed main top sail. At 8 took in Mizzen top sail and fore sail. Heavy squalls. Wind S.W. Latter part calm N.W. and moderate. Making sail. At 9 took up No 8 and No 9 Stun sail set. Dark cloudy weather.

87.05
88.41

Sunday Oct 14th

Smart breeze from N.W. and dark cloudy weather. All drawing sail set. At 4 moderate. Middle part calm N.W. Latter part N.W. and breeze on. Spitting rain. At 6 reefed the Mizzen top sail. At 9 took in the Stun sails and main royal. Reefed the fore top sail.

88.13
105

Monday Oct 15th

Strong winds from the N.W. and drizzle weather. Rugged. Steering by S. Rolling heavy. Some of the pipes of oil have started adrift. Middle part calm S.W. At 3 took in main top gallant sail. At 5 reefed the main top sail. Latter part heavy squalls of wind rain & hail. Squalls. Employed in chocking. Repair of oil between fore and main hatches.

89.08
101.39

Tuesday Oct 16th

Strong breeze from the S.W. with heavy squalls of wind rain and hail. Steering by S. Under double reefed top sails. Employed in chocking pipes. At 4 moderated. Set jib and main sail. Seized by S. Middle part set all sail. At 6 calm N.W. very rugged and squally squalls. Latter part calm N.W. At 9 drizzle under trying on east. Took in hail to a double reefed reefed fore and main top sail and fore sail. Employed in chocking pipes. In the heavy roll the ship sides spring six inches each way.

Wednesday Oct 17th

Blowing a moderate gale from the N.W. and drizzle rain. Steering by S. Under double reefed fore and main top sails and fore sail. At 4 blowing on in heavy squalls. At 4 took in the fore top sail. A very heavy sea rising and the wind moderating. At 11 a sea struck carrying away the Starboard boat and quarter post and spore the barrel casked ship laboring heavy. At 1 the heek rope of fore sail parted close to the head splitting the sail across and from the other heek to the foot. Chased it away and lashed it to the boom. Wind N.W. and clear overhead. With bitter squalls. Latter part a heavy gale with squalls of wind and hail. At 9 passed main top sail sheet clincher and sheeted home. Squally.

52.35
94.31

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Thursday Oct 18th 1849

Blowing a heavy gale from the N.W. and a tremendous sea on. Squalling. Under a double reefed main top sail, heavy rail squalls. At 4 moderated. Set double reefed top sail. At 6 took in Mizzen top sail. At 8 set single reefed main top sail. Middle part strong squalls. Steering by S. Latter part strong breeze. Set whole main top sail and single reefed fore top sail.

51.10
90.57

Friday Oct 19th

Strong breeze from the N.W. and squally very rugged. Steering by S. Under a whole main and single reefed fore top sail. Reefed the old fore sail on the fore part for a fore sail. Middle part squalls. At 12 calm S.W. and moderate. At 3 calm S.W. Set whole top sails jib and main sail. Latter part lively wind with hail squalls. At 6 set all sail.

52.16
87.05

Saturday Oct 20th

Lively winds from N.W. with hail squalls. All sail set. Steering by S. At 4 breeze. Took in fore and Mizzen top gallant sails. At 6 took in main top gal sail and fly jib. At 7 single reefed the top sails. At 9 took in jib and main sail and double reefed the top sails. Drizzle. Latter part calm S.W. and clear up some. Set single reefed main top sail.

53.20
83.36

Sunday Oct 21st

Strong breeze from the S.W. and squally rugged weather. Steering by S. Under a single reefed main, double reefed fore and Mizzen top sails and fore sail. At 3 calm haul S. At 4 calm S.S.W. At 9 moderated. Set the jib and main sail. Middle part light wind from the S and drizzle. At 2 set whole top sails, main top gallant sail and fly jib. Course S.S.W. At 5 set all sail. Latter part slight wind from S.W. and dark cloudy weather.

Monday Oct 22nd

Light winds from the S.W. and dark cloudy weather. All sail set. Steering by S. At 4 calm N.W. At 5 calm N.W. set top gal Stun sail. At 9 took in fore and Mizzen top gallant sails and main sail. At 12 blowing. Reefed the Mizzen top sail. Latter part calm N.W. by N. and spitting rain. At 11/2 calm haul N by N and clear up some.

Tuesday Oct 23rd

Lively winds from the N.W. and spitting rain. All drawing sail set. Steering by S. At 1 calm S.W. and clear. At 4 saw a drift heading N.W. Middle part calm N.W. by N and drizzle. Strong breeze and rugged. At 5 took in the main royal and top gallant sail. At 6 saw 2 sail heading S. At 7 set main top gallant sail. At 9 saw a sail heading S. Latter part strong breeze from N.W. and squally. Ship rolling heavy. Chased down main top sail.

56.47
75.16