

Chas Phelps

Bound for Springton
Thursday Jan 3rd 1850

Light breeze from N.E. by E and good weather. All drawing sail. At steering M.L. by N. Planning spars and clearing up. Saw a sail going S.W. At 1 o'clock S.S.E. At 4 hauls M.L. Took in the Stun sail. Micaal part good weather and light breeze from N.E. to S.E. At 4 set the Stun sail. Latter part light breeze and dark cloudy weather. Saw a sail going S.W. Blacking shaft. At 11 towards the Head of Brig. Micaal part of Harrington loaded with lumber and water. Loggia. She had been stripped of every thing.

31.55

Friday Jan 4th

Light breeze from the S.E. and dark cloudy weather. All drawing sail. At steering M.L. by N. Saw a Brig going E and a schooner S.W. At 6 o'clock S.S.E. and showery. Doubled M.L. Micaal part light breeze from the S.W. Latter part at 8 air very calm. Saw a Brig heading N.W.

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Saturday Jan 5th

Calm. At 2 a light air from N.W. However. Set all sail and shrouded M.L. At 7 took in Stun sail. Set 8 fore and main top 3 sails. At 10 fly jib and main top 3 sail. Very sharp lightning. At 10 1/2 thunder in the N. South. Under the top sails. Took in jib main sail and main top sail. At 11 the tempest burst with a deluge of rain. Under M.L. At 12 wind shifts to M.L. From too under a close reefed main top sail. Latter part moderates. At 1 set double reefed top sails jib and main sail. Brig in sight to north. A ship and Brig going N.W. Set single reefed top sails.

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Sunday Jan 6th

A moderate gale from the N.W. and squally, rough weather. Standing to the lower M.L. under single reefed top sails jib and main sail. Saw a Brig going S.W. At 5 o'clock ship from N. At 7 double reefed the top sails. Micaal part moderates. At 11 set single reefed top sails. Latter part light breeze from the N. Saw several sperm whales going E. Showy.

34.37

Monday Jan 7th

Light breeze from the N. and good weather. All sail set by the lower M.L. At 4 o'clock wind and hauls from N.E. to S.W. Courthouse. At 8 o'clock S.S.E. and hauling Southward. At 11 S.S.E. Entered the Gulf Stream. Micaal part strong breeze. Took in fore and main top gallant sails. Latter part small breeze and very cloudy. At 1 Steady M.L. by N. At 11 blowing heavy from the S. and thick rainy weather. Took in main top gal sail and double reefed 1 fore and main top sails.

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Tuesday Jan 8th 1850

Blowing heavy from the S and thick rainy weather. Steady M.L. under a whole main top sail and double reefed fore and main. At 1 double reefed the main top sail and took in the Mizzen. Saw a Brig heading S.E. At 3 came out of the gulf. At 6 heavy rain and moderates. At 8 passed a vessel by M.L. Micaal part at 3 under M.L. and lightning. Took in sail at a close reefed main top sail. At 5 moderates fast. Latter part at 10 set all sail. Light breeze from M.L. by N. and dark cloudy weather. A sail to windward heading N. under whole top sail.

38.15

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Wednesday Jan 9th

Light breeze from M.L. by N. and dark, cloudy weather. All sail set by the lower M.L. At 6 Calm. Arise sail in light. Micaal part Calm. Latter part at 10 a light breeze from M.L. heading N. Current setting E.

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Thursday Jan 10th

Light breeze from M.L. by N. and dark cloudy weather. All sail set by the lower M.L. Micaal part wind fresh and hauls from N.W. by N. and hauls. At 8 took in top gal sails and fly jib and reefed fore and main top sails. At 2 wind M.L. and moderates. Set top sails fly jib and main top gal sail. At 5 wind M. Latter part light breeze. Set all sail. At 9 backed to M.L. Saw a Steam ship Steady M.L.

39.05

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Friday Jan 11th

Very light breeze from the N. and fine weather. All sail set by the lower M.L. At 1 rounded and found bottom 62 fathoms. Round 20 fms. At 3 o'clock hauls eastward and breeze. At 3 o'clock S.W. At 6 rounded 30 fathoms. At 12 38 fathoms. At 4 28 fathoms. Wind breezy and hauling E again. At 6 heavy breeze and squally weather. Took in fore and main top gal sails and fly jib. Set sail in light breeze by N.E. At 8 saw Long Island heavy M.L. about 12 miles. At 10 took in main top gal sail and main sail. Thick rainy weather. At 11 o'clock ship to S. 10 fathoms.

Saturday Jan 12th

Blowing a smart gale from S.E. by E and thick rainy weather. Steady S.W. under whole top sails and jib. At 2 blowing heavy. Double reefed the top sails and took in jib. At 5 a heavy squall and wind hauled S. Rounded 20 fathoms. At 5 o'clock ship. S.S.E. At 8 set the main sail. Moderates and rain. At 11 wind S.W. At 3 wind S.W. At 4 wind shift to M.L. Latter part thick fog. Set all sail and shrouded M.L. At 11 saw Brig. 2 miles off. Hauled off S.E. A gale in sight. Reset the chains. At 11 clear up fine weather. Last Hampton bearing N.