

Log Book of Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Billings Birch Master

Saturday Oct 26th
 Commences with squally weather from S.E. heading up S. Still comes times rainy. Wind continues from S.E. all these 24 hours. Strong breeze carrying whole topsails

Lat. by Obs. $23^{\circ} 22'$
 Long. by Chron. $74^{\circ} 58'$

Sunday Oct 27th

Commences with strong squalls from S.E. heading S. crew employed at ships duty. Middle part had a great quantity of lightning coming from all parts of the compass. Weather looking wild, not much wind at the time. Took in topgallant sail & double reefed topsails. Latter part cleared up again. Made all sail. Wind still continues from S.E.

Lat. by Obs. $23^{\circ} 21'$

Monday Oct 28th

Commences with pleasant weather from S.E. & S.S.E. heading S.W. & S.S.W. 7 vessels in sight. Steering different ways. The middle & latter part of these 24 hours the wind has been from S.E. to S.S.E. heading from S.S.W. to S.W. crew employed at ships duty & ships. Barks & kigs in sight to day all steering W. S.W.

Lat. by Obs. $23^{\circ} 29'$
 Long. by Chron. $75^{\circ} 27'$

Tuesday Oct 29th

Commences with a strong breeze & pleasant weather from S.S.E. heading S.W. by compass. Wind continues from S.S.E. & S.E. all these 24 hours from half past 11 P.M. to 8 A.M. stood to N.E.

Lat. by Obs. $23^{\circ} 36'$

Wednesday Oct 30th

Commences with a strong breeze from S.E. heading up S.S.W. saw some ships to day. Wind continues from S.E. all these 24 hours. For the most of the time heading up S. by W. later part moderate. One ship in sight standing to southward.

Lat. by Obs. $23^{\circ} 57'$
 Long. by Chron. $75^{\circ} 40'$

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Thursday Oct 31st

Commences with pleasant weather & a moderate breeze from S.E. heading up S. by W. & S.S.W. Middle part. Wind from S.E. last part wind from S. heading up S.S.E. When we sailed from home it was our intention to stop at the Cape de Verde for recruits. but owing to adverse winds it is impossible to get there at this o'clock yesterday. Bravo bore S.E. by S. 1/2 E. Weather continues pleasant all these 24 hours. Carpenters employed at making a hopper.

Lat. by Obs. $18^{\circ} 49'$

Friday Nov 1

Commences with a pleasant breeze from S.E. heading S.S.E. middle & last part wind from S. by S. & S.E. heading up S.E. by S. & S.E. Weather continues pleasant all these 24 hours.

Lat. by Obs. $17^{\circ} 21'$
 Long. by Chron. $74^{\circ} 54'$

Saturday Nov 2nd

Lat. $17^{\circ} 21'$
 Lat. $14^{\circ} 15'$ Mer. $10^{\circ} 57'$
 $2^{\circ} 55'$ diff $157'$
 Log. 2.1957 Long. 34.55
 2.7675 24.49
 2.5728 70.72
 Aug. 10.5728 diff $60'$
 Course $175^{\circ} 36'$ diff $672'$

Log. 10.0740
 2.1957
 10.6034
 Decant 2.5728
 Distance 823.6

Commences with a pleasant breeze from S. by S. heading up S.E. by S. Bravo bearing S.E. by S. 1/2 S. Distant 523.6 miles. Middle part of these 24 hours wind from S.E. & N.E. making the best of our way to the Eastward crew employed at ships duty. one point westerly variation.

Lat. by Obs. $15^{\circ} 52'$
 Long. by Chron. $73^{\circ} 24 1/2'$

Sunday Nov 3rd

Commences with a pleasant breeze from S.E. heading up S.E. Middle & last part of these 24 hours calm with light rain squalls at times.

Lat. by Obs. $14^{\circ} 50'$

This forenoon lowered the boats to practice boat crews

Monday Nov 4th

Commences calm. first & middle parts light breeze from S.E. heading up S.S.W. later part squally.

Lat. by Obs. $13^{\circ} 57'$
 Long. by Chron. $73^{\circ} 58'$