

Log Book of Ship Charles Phelps of Stonington Billings Birch Master

day, from home

121

Wednesday Feb 27thP.M. put out fly
gills Boom & set
flying gills.

3 vessels in sight.

Commenced with pleasant weather
with from S. & S.W. Steering Ch. W. & S.
captain on board of Enterprise at 7
P.M. came on board, wind & weather
continues the same all through the
24 hours. A.M. put out Bow &
Waist Boats, one ship & one brig
in sight Bound Ch. N.M. saw a
Ship Bound E.Lat. by Obs. 52.11
Long. by Chron. 79.14Thursday Feb 30th

122 4 vessels in sight.

Commenced with moderate breezes
& pleasant weather from S. Steering
Ch. W. 2 P.M. Unbent fore sail
& gills & bent old ones in their
place saw 3 ships & one brig at
bound Ch. weather continues mod-
& pleasant all these 24 hours at 10
A.M. saw a large sperm whale gear
about 5 miles to the S.W. [at]

mistake

Friday Feb 31st

123

4 vessels in sight

one P.M. lowered & gave chase at 2
struck him & killed him at 5 P.M.
took him alongside at 5 commenced
cutting cut till 8 P.M. & stopped
it being night. at 9 A.M. called all
hands & commenced cutting, finish-
at 12.4 ships in sight.
cloudy weatherLat. by Obs. 50.50
Long. by Chron. 79.20Saturday Feb 1st

124

5 vessels in sight

Commenced with pleasant weather &
moderate breezes from S. at 1 P.M.
made sail crew employed at cutting
up junk & clearing up deck. Steering
Ch. Ch. W. 5 sails in sight, wind con-
tinues about the same all these 24
hours. at 3 A.M. started the try work
& commenced boiling heads, employed
at boiling all A.M. cloudy weatherSunday Feb 2nd

125

9 sails in sight

Commenced with pleasant breezes from
S. Steering Ch. W. crew employed at
boiling, 9 vessels in sight, one fore & aft
schooner, all bound to the Ch. wind &
weather continues about the same all through
these 24 hours
cloudy weatherLat. by Obs. 46.05
Long. by Chron. 80.57

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Monday Feb 3rd

5 sails in sight.

Commenced with pleasant breezes from
S. Steering Ch. W. crew employed at
boiling, saw 2 ships, at 5 P.M. in
green water weather continues about
the same all through these 24 hours
at 4 A.M. finished boiling, cloudy
weather.Tuesday Feb 4thCommenced with moderate breezes
from S. Steering Ch. weather con-
tinues the same all through
these 24 hours, at 8 A.M. commenced
stowing down oil, all hands
employed. Lat. by Obs. 42.50
cloudy weather Long. by Chron. 79.58Wednesday Feb 5th126 Stowed down 14 casks
of sperm oil 14
Lat. by Obs. 45.19

one ship in sight

Commenced with moderate breezes
& cloudy weather from the S. Steering
Ch. all hands employed at stowing
down oil. Stowed filled 14 of the
ground tier with sperm oil, finished
stowing down at 7 P.M. wind
& weather continues the same all through
these 24 hours. A.M. saw a ship standing
to S.W.
cloudy weather, Lat. by Obs. 40.49
Long. by Chron. 79.55Thursday Feb 5th

129 2 ships in sight

Commenced with moderate breezes
& pleasant weather from S. crew
employed at ship duty at 2 P.M.
while in the act of cleaning the
try pots, were discovered that one
pot them was badly cracked, wind &
weather continues the same all
through these 24 hours crew employed
at making spungum. Saw two ships
one standing to S.W. the to Ch.Lat. by Obs. 38.41
Long. by Chron. 78.58Friday Feb 7th131 P.M. took a Lure
Observatory

one ship in sight

Commenced with moderate breezes
& pleasant weather from S. Steering Ch.
these 24 hours tends about the
same as they began.Lat. by Obs. 36.41
Long. by Chron. 78.53