

Log Book of Ship Chat Phelps of Stonington Billings Butler Master

Sails for
Kona

Monday July 21

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Commenced with moderate breeze from the N.W. steering to the N.E. at 5 P.M. struck the ship Sheffield of Cohasset from the Arctic lat 58 N with nothing but sail on sight Cape Agassiz N.E. at 9 P.M. Dis 14 at 8 A.M. Hake Barque President 2 Whales and 1 large Hercules of New Bedford. End with the present in company steering N.E. to and then fog with sail in sight

Tuesday July 22

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Commenced with moderate breeze from the S.E. and 1 Whale at 5 P.M. Toward never saw him more. End with moderate breezes from the S.E. beating up along the land with 3 ships in company saw nothing but seals fish and small sproutjet and 1 mile from

Wednesday July 23

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Commenced with moderate breeze from the S.E. beating to the land along the land S.W. Calm seen no Whales.

Thursday July 24.

297.

Spoke Ship Copier
Spoke Ship Poursau
Saw 20 ships in the
strait coming out.

Commenced with moderate breezes from W. S.W. steering to Eastward along the land in company with the Barque President. Hauled N.E. till 10 P.M. at this time struck ship heading South Cape Chaplin bearing N. distant 4 miles from 6 A.M. beating to the land S.W. last part of A.M. steering S. with fog.

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Friday July 25.

Commenced with fog with moderate breezes from S.W. at 5 P.M. tacked ship heading W. S.W. then 24 hours continuous as they began A.M. heading S.W.

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Saturday July 26

Commenced with moderate breezes and fog from S.E. heading S.W. then 24 hours continuous thick. A.M. Calm. Crew employed in Cooping Bread.

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Sunday July 27.

Commenced with moderate breezes and fog from S.E. steering S.W. Crew employed at Cooping Bread. 2 P.M. Calm, then 24 hours continuous Calm with fog and rain.

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301. Monday July 28.

Commenced with fog and rain calm. at 6 P.M. lighted up saw no Whales. last part of P.M. strong breeze from S.W. from N. steering S.W. by S. with fog and rain.

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Tuesday July 29

10 P.M. saw ship
steering S. S.W.

Commenced with strong breeze from N.E. steering S.W. by W. with rain & 2 P.M. have two under double reefed fore and main top sails heading N. 4 A.M. saw Cape Thaddeus. last part of A.M. no rain saw no Whales.

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Wednesday July 30

Commenced with moderate breeze from S.W. heading N. along the land Cape Thaddeus bearing W. distant 2 miles. 1 P.M. Wore ship heading off. show under double reefed fore and main top sails. saw no Whales. 10 P.M. pitched away fore boom took in fore top sail. weather still continues thick and rainy. fore part of A.M. moderated

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Thursday July 31

Commenced with moderate breeze from N. heading E. N.E. with fog and rain crew employed at making and refitting fore boom. 9 P.M. put out new fore and flying fore boom. weather still continues thick and rainy. at 4 A.M. made sail. 5 A.M. wore ship heading up N.W. by N.

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August Friday 1st

Commenced with moderate breeze and thick fog from N.E. heading N.W. 3 P.M. fog lighted up. saw Cape Thaddeus bearing E.N.E. distant 4 miles. tacked ship heading E. saw no Whales. 6 P.M. shut in thick again continued so all the 24 hours. last part of P.M. strong breeze took in main sail and fore. last part of A.M. moderated made sail

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