

Log Book of Ship Cha. Phelps of Stonington Billings Burt's Master

Days from
Home

Wednesday August 27th Commenced with a strong breeze from
ch. heading W. by S. under double reef
Main topsail, crew employed at
stowing down oil, at 3 P.M. Moderate
at 5 P.M. Saw the Land & ice, Dist^{ant}
20 miles, at 8 P.M. all sail set, saw
no whales at 7 P.M. Tacked ship
heading off shore, at 4 M. beating to
windward with a moderate breeze, crew
employed at cleaning guns

Lat. by Obs. 62° 45'
Long. by Ch. 179° 56'

Thursday August 28th Commenced with moderate breezes &
pleasant weather from the S. beating
to windward, along shore, Cape Threading
bearing W. S. W. Dist^{ant} 25 miles at 3 P.M.
Left off S. by W. bound out of the sea, at
8 P.M. the wind hauled to the S. A.M.
changed the fore sails, saw no whales

Friday August 29th Commenced with moderate breezes &
pleasant weather from S. beating to
windward along the edge of the ice
two ships in company at 5 P.M. Saw
Cape ~~Chad~~ Chabrier bearing W. Dist^{ant}
30 miles at 5 P.M. wind hauled to
E. heading up S. S. E. at 8 P.M. wind
from E. steering S. W. last part of A.M.
strong breezes with fog at noon cleared
up

Lat. by Obs. 61° 20'
Long. by Ch. 176° 53'

Saturday August 30th Commenced with strong breezes from
S. E. steering S. W. under all sail
last part of A.M. moderated A.M. moder-
ate, saw the land bearing S. W. Dist^{ant}
at, saw the land bearing S. W. Dist^{ant}

Lat. by Obs. 60° 02'
Long. by Ch. 172° 14'

Sunday August 31st Commenced with light airs from S.
steering W. S. W. at 6 P.M. wind from
S. W. A.M. wind from S. W. beating to
windward

Lat. by Obs. 59° 22'
Long. by Ch. 172° 25'

Saw ship Trident
no oil this season

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Monday Sept 1st Commenced with moderate breezes
from S. W. beating to windward, the
wind & weather continues about the
same all these 24 hours

Lat. by Obs. 58° 47'
Long. by Ch. 171° 56'

Tuesday Sept 2nd Commenced with pleasant weather &
moderate breezes from S. heading W.
- S. W. fore part of A.M. wind hauled to
S. E. steering S. W. with a strong breeze

Wednesday Sept 3rd Commenced with a strong breeze from
S. E. steering S. W. some rain & fog
fore part of A.M. moderated last part
calm

Lat. by Obs. 56° 57'

Thursday Sept 4th Commenced with light airs from S. E.
steering S. W. continues so all A.M.
Ship Trident & Erie
in sight

Lat. by Obs. 56° 06'
Long. by Ch. 165° 05'

Friday Sept 5th Commenced with light airs & pleasant
weather from S. W. steering S. S. E. for
Behring's Island, last part of P.M. wind
shifted to S. E. at 5 A.M. saw Behring's island
bearing S. E. Dist^{ant} about 30 miles

Saturday Sept 6th Commenced with a strong breeze & rain
from S. E. beating to windward at 2
P.M. took in top gallant sails, at 4
took in main sail & double reefed the
topsails, A.M. moderated, made sail,
still continues to rain, saw the S. W. end
of Behring's island bearing S. E. Dist^{ant} 20 miles

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Sunday Sept 7th Commenced with a strong breeze & rain
from E. beating to windward, at 4 P.M.
under double reef topsails, at 5 P.M.
ch part of Behring's Island bearing E. at 8 P.M.
saw 4 bright whales, A.M. saw two right
whales & Howard but did not get fast, saw
3 ships saw Behring's Dist^{ant} 20 miles

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Monday Sept 8th Commenced with pleasant weather from S. E.
at one P.M. saw two right whales, lowered
& struck one, but did not get him, was fast
to him 5 hours. A.M. seen no whales, land
bearing S. E. Dist^{ant} one mile

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