

Ship *Cambria* while cruising in the Arctic Ocean A.D. 1850

Tuesday July 2nd Commenced with a moderate breeze from the S.E. at 4 P.M. spoke the Gratitude & Whales this day. middle part moderate with some foggy fog with the Main & Sail back latter part thick weather with light rain at 11 finished boiling got ready to stand down so ends.

Wednesday July 3rd Commenced with moderate breezes with thick weather middle part much the same latter part about calm employed sitting up should saw one Polar Whale going east to the S.E. lowered the boats for him but he was going to fast for us to reach.

Lat by Obs. 67° 12' North.

Thursday July 4th All the 24 hours about calm with some foggy latter part employed standing down but here the Boat Steersmen die live but they have moved in to the Com. castle this fore & ships in sight several. No Observations.

Friday July 5th Commenced with a light air from the South with thick weather steering by the wind to the E.S.E. middle part the same latter part a light air from the S.E. steering S.W. all sail set so set up the Mizzen & S. yard & set the Sack Cooper employed sitting up. The Shooks so ends.

Lat by Obs. 67° 02' Long by Obs. 169° 57' West.

Saturday July 6th Commenced with moderate breezes from the N.E. with fair weather steering S.W. middle part much the same at 7 P.M. heft off S.P. & and run until 10 then luffed to the wind to the S.W. & wind from N.W. & thick at 11 P.M. saw the land a bear were rowed to the North thick foggy weather washed off the decked scenes.

Sunday July 7th Commenced with a calm & thick foggy at 9 P.M. it let up at 3 P.M. took a breeze from the Eastward kept the Ship N.W. latter part moderate breezes and she went under the land in sight and a plenty of Ice besides 2 or 3 Ships. so ends.

Lat by Obs. 67° 16' Long by Obs. 171° 58'

Monday July 8th Commenced with a brisk wind from S.E. with fair weather steering N.W. at 10 P.M. killed a dead Whale along side cut into him but found the blubber to far gone let him go at 11 saw a Polar Whale sent 2 boats off for him at 12 they returned without success kept the Ship North remainder part of the day about foggy let up about noon saw a Ship of our line cutting & boiling.

Lat by Obs. 68° 27' North.

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Tuesday July 9th Commenced with a moderate breeze from the Eastward with foggy weather about 1 P.M. spoke the Ship *Abion* of Fair Haven 32 months out 1600 Tons 7 Whales this season at 7 P.M. spoke the Ship *Isusarora* of Codd's Bay 21 months out 1000 Tons 3 Whales this season middle part calm latter part a moderate breeze from the S.E. with fair weather steering by the wind with the last boats back aboard all sail set 8 or 9 Ships in sight several.

Lat by Obs. 68° 25' N Long by Obs. 174° 00' West.

Wednesday July 10th Commenced with a brisk wind from the S.E. with fair weather steering by the wind with the last boats back aboard all sail set at 4 P.M. spoke the Ship *Dover* of New London at 7 P.M. took in the Main Sail & Fly jib & Mizzen & S. Sail. middle part brisk wind at 9 P.M. were rowed to the Eastward took in the Main & S. Sails latter part brisk wind and pleasant weather a good many Ships & Boats in sight the *Margaret Scott* passed us boiling so ends. Lat by Obs. 67° 46' Long 174° 50' W.

Thursday July 11th Commenced with a brisk wind from the S.E. with fair weather middle & latter part more moderate half part W. & S. saw one Polar Whale sent 3 boats off for him but did not see him again the land in sight to the South & thence the Ice extending from a head as far as we could see to the N.W. a great many beffels so ends. Lat by Obs. 67° 28' Long 173° 54' West.

Friday July 12th Commenced with a brisk wind from the Eastward with pleasant weather working to the Eastward at 5 P.M. passed just out of sail of the Ship *Perseus* of Niditch he was employed cutting a Whale at 10 saw Whales sent 2 boats off at half past 12 they returned with out success at 5 P.M. lowered again at 8 struck and when the Whale came up so as to get along side killed him which was about 10 at 11 took him to the Ship got 2 men & so ends lots of beffels in sight besides Ice and the Land about 20 miles to the South.

158 lbs.

Saturday July 13th Commenced with moderate breezes and fair pleasant weather at 12 commenced cutting at 4 finished made sail at 10 commenced boiling middle and latter part moderate breezes and fair weather employed boiling a number beffels in sight several.