

Sat Signal, So I Made Sail and took the

Whale along side & Cut the whale in, It is the whale that I struck before the gale and held on in the ice so long it is a large whale, we saved the bone, spoke the Montebello and Capt Phillips came onboard and spent the after noon, I gave him a box of cartridges for his fiddle and a lot of papers, he saw about 4 ships to the South along the ice and the fog came on to the ice 20 miles, I saw another ship to the S of us we were in the light to the West of Cape Navarin, heavy bearing swell on and the ice chafed the ship back, about 30 fathoms water, land according to Capt Wilson's account at noon was 15 miles off and Cape Navarin bearing E by compass.

Wednesday April 29th

Last night we went to the S.E. through the heavy packed ice that was heaving on shore at 4 in the morning we got out of the ice and there was an awful swell on as we came out of the ice, the wind hauled to W and blowed fresh, we run to the East and raised 15 or 20 ships to the East of us off Cape Navarin (Massachusetts & Montebello) encompassing, at 12 M we came up to the ice and ships, saw 2 ships in the ice and we laid aback till 4 P.M. & by the heavy swell and big ice carried away the straps that hold the back stay and took out a part of the rigging, that makes a bad fore on the stem, at 5 P.M. Massachusetts & Montebello pointed on the ice for Cape Thadins which was plain in sight, about 20 ships in sight, Massachusetts and our crew employed in hauling, all hands been all day clearing away the ice.

at 3 P.M. Lat 61, 30 by day Long 177, 11 East

Thursday April 30th

Last night we went to the S.E. through the ice for Cape Thadins, a while in the night the wind came out from S.E. but came out from West again so we drove through the ice all the fore noon and came out in a large strip of clear water by 10 o'clock P.M. 4 ships a head of us and several ships behind us coming through the ice, saw one bowhead, saw the Greene Colored Barge coming, I called her the Concordia Capt Jones & exchanged signals with her, the fog & foghorn stopped, after being in the strip of water between Cape Navarin & Cape Thadins a while, we run off to the S.E. in a strip of clear water 15 miles and then could not get farther, saw several whales in this clear water of the Bay Florida Bomed & struck a whale and lost him, Bay Florida, Solophony, Massachusetts & Montebello came into this hole with us & at night all the Masters went aboard the Massachusetts and spent the evening, about 10 ships in the ice, not seeing heavy ice about here but clearly packed.

Lat at 12 M by day 61, 30

Friday May 1st 1868

Fresh breeze from N and fine clear weather, we are under short sail lying in the ice, 20 clear water, 4 ships in a strip of clear water to the S.W. of us, saw four boats down, 5 ships were with us, saw no whales, employed in hauling, had an iron rope fastening made and put a big mat in it for the broken stem.

Cape Thadins bearing W 5 W 15 or 20 miles off
Lat by day 61, 31

Saturday May 2^d

Fresh breeze from N and cloudy weather, ship lay long fast in the ice, I spent the day on board the Florida & Massachusetts, not going ashore walking on the ice, I fell in twice and got my boots full of water, we finished hauling, the ice has gone thick & heavy to get there.