

Saturday, Oct 17th

Moderate wind from S. to S.W.

In the morning Sat all sail and through the day headed from E. to S.E. by S. and fine weather, Land in sight to the East 20 miles off. Ice close to us all along to the W. & S.W. & ships in sight and I a lead we are coming up with. This evening we have a swell from S.E., We are heading in for the North part of Kotzebue Sound, Sounded 20 fathoms of water yellow-green water. We shot first light at noon Made off duty, finished boiling at 5 P.M., All hands through the day stowed and in the main hold and checked off the main hold, Glad to see the decks clear once more, Rig works got a fire,

Lat by obs 67° 38'

Sunday Oct 18th

Strong gales from S.E. and cloudy weather. Carrying double reef topsails and courses for the time, standing from one to 2 hours on a tack between the ice and land. There is narrow leading to the South and Cold weather, & ships in sight, Cape Thomson in sight at 5 P.M. when the squalls cleared off, distant from the ice about 10 or 15 miles, I wish the wind might come fair and good weather so we could get around the ice.

Lat by obs 68° 04'

Monday Oct 19th

Begins with strong gales from S.E. and rugged weather, & ships in sight. All the ships carrying all possible sail & beating to the S.E. between the ice and land. This morning we was 6 miles S.E. of Kent hope and the men were held up by the sea, Made a long tack to the S.W. along the ice and got in the deeper water, but the ice is still to the South of us, Latter part of the day some fog and rain wind moderated, Sat all sail, hope the wind will

Come fair with clear weather, to find our way

South Made off duty

Tuesday Oct 20th

Begins with a fresh breeze from S.W. and clear weather. In the morning we steered off S.E. and Sat maintop gallant sail, General Scott, Massachusetts of Fresco & James Allen accompanying, Land plane in sight and we run between the ice and land of Cape Thomson, At 10 A.M. we shot the last ice and steered S.E., Saw a ship ahead boiling, Light colored water, All hands stowed down 2 casks of oil and the stuff on deck and changed off the decks and washed off with salt water, At 6 P.M. spoke James Allen and we held run to night as long as it is clear, Sounded 20 fathoms water, Course by Big Diomedes S.W. by S true or by compass S by W distant 95 miles at 4 P.M.

Lat at 1 P.M. & Longitude Lat 67° 15' Long by Ch 166° 39'

Wednesday Oct 21

Last night we run South accompanying with James Allen with our mast heads manded, Took in out for ice. It was a fine clear night with a moderate breeze from S.W., Carrying all sail, At 6 in the morning we was in 10 fathoms of water and low land in sight to the S. East of us, we fired 2 bomb guns and the James Allen hailed up for us and spoke him, So we steered S.W. a while to clear the shoal S.W. of Cape Prince of Wales, At noon we was off Cape Prince of Wales & the islands plane in sight, 6 ships in sight, 2 a boiling, Land white with snow, Saw several flocks of canvas back ducks flying South, Strong wind from S.W. this afternoon, At 6 P.M. King Island plane in sight a lead of ice shall pass it at 9 P.M. or fore, Spoke James Allen at 5 P.M., Scrubbed off the rig works and stowed gurry over board from the hold.