

Monday Aug 12th

Light wind from South by S with fog and rain at times, Beating to the S.W. through scattering ice along the land South of Point Belcher, Saw 3 Settlements on the shore, All the Ships Beating to the S.W. Sogging ice along the land off Main Right Inlet, The ice closing on the land, ice small, See plenty of Ducks & Whale birds, Some whale feeders in the water, 3 Ships to the S.E. of Point Franklin At 1 P.M. wind to light to beat against the S.E. Current we anchored in 9 fathoms water and the other Ships anchored 2 miles from shore & ice 3 miles from shore, Current setting along shore 2 miles per hour

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Tuesday Aug 13th

Light air from S.W. to East and cloudy with rain all day, All hands employed in breaking out the after hold & stowing ground clothes & getting them with water, At 3 P.M. most all the Ships got under way and stood to the South slowly along the land, Current setting to the S. 2 or 3 knots, Water thick and muddy with plenty of feeders in the water and plenty of wild geese & whale birds, The Indians came on board of us, We lay to anchor in 7 fathoms water 1 mile from shore, Capt Loveland & Capt Wilson came on board of me & took dinner and at 2 P.M. we went on board the Massachusetts and took supper, Capt Greene & Capt Pulver spoke my ship

Wednesday Aug 14th

East night the wind died out and we anchored in 12 fathoms of water off the Sea Horse Island, Plenty of wild geese and whale feeders, Strong Current setting S.W. & the ice well off shore, I went on board the Countess March and spent the forenoon & got

& bulk of Hawaiian Beef & a dog from Hleg, At 2 P.M. took a light breeze from S.E. and some foggy, got under way and steered S.W. for the Sea Horse Islands but 3 or 4 hours to the S.W. of Sea Horse Islands out of sight

Thursday Aug 15th

Fresh breeze from S.W. and foggy the first and latter part of the day, & clear in the middle of the day, Saw the Eagle of Honolulu taken a bowhead close by us, Saw the Bismarck bowhead & killed the first whale a bowhead & saw the ship Lulian sailing a bowhead, About 10 Ships in sight to the South the ice here is big and full packed, See whale birds & a big show of Walrus on the ice, The whales was not going any where, Sunday got 15 fathoms water

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Friday Aug 16th

Strong wind from S.E. and rain storm all day, Thick fog all night, In the morning saw the Bismarck strike a whale and lost him in the ice, Eagle & Lulian sailing, We run off to the S.W. along the ice in the forenoon and spoke, Bk Emily Morgan, Eagle of Honolulu, Hellen Mary, At 1 P.M. went on board the ship Florida & left 2 letters for my wife, one for my son, one for Mr. Harney, one for Harney's wife & mother, About 12 Ships in sight through the fog, We run off about 10 miles and then worked back down to the S.E., Bismarck & Sea breeze run off out of sight

Saturday Aug 17th

Strong gales from S.E. and cloudy weather & some rain, latter part cleared off some, Foggy about along the ice most the time, Carrying close reefed topsails, Latter part of the day braced full and beat to the S.E. & clear in sight of them a sailing, Drove by the land, 15 fathoms water along the ice

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