

Thursday April 28th

Light wind from SW to S and mild water, Wind being fair in the morning we went in to the packed ice with Ship Hibernia & Ship "Lobethene" and Stevedore, At 1 P.M. Joseph came & Hibernia saw bowheads, reg. group, leaving as we go in to the south with snow. We are in the right place for bowheads, but don't see any yet, See some seals on the ice, Filled several casks with salt water and set them in the bow, Put some new sheeting in the deck, decked.

Lat by obs 61, 19 N Long by Ch 177, 49 E

Friday April 29th

Light air from S. Most of the day and calm At 3 P.M. looked a breeze from E and fine warm weather all day, Heavy ice around the ships. Joseph 4 miles ESE of us, Hibernia 4 miles off and I spent part of the day on board of her, See Cape Navarin from Mast Head, See a ship along with to the SW of us, and see 2 things that look like ships to the East of us, Dried our new seals and bent the old ones. Heard 2 bowheads in the ice and the Hibernia has heard several, Looked on deck a cask of old whale line so as to use on deck to strike whales on the ice. Put up the forge and blacksmith to work.

Lat by obs 61, 22 N Long by Ch 177, 52 E
Saturday April 30th

Fresh breeze from N and fine clear cool weather, Ship laying in big ice, ice open & sheet twice in 24 hours, Hibernia 4 miles off, & Joseph 4 miles off & swinging to the NE of us, Saw 3 bowheads & run for one, The other ships, saw whales. We saw several grampoides, Sand in sight, Capt Williams came on board and spent the after noon with me.

Lat by obs 61, 21

Sunday May 1st

Light wind from NW and fine pleasant weather & big swell rising in from South. The Sun shines bright, We are laying fast to big ice and sails furled, See no whales, The ice has opened much to day and we are drifting to the SW, The Hibernia has drifted 2 miles to the SSE of us and the Joseph has gone on and around to the NE of us just and along with off & the holds on, I went part the way to the Hibernia & came back for the ice was too open & not safe traveling, See seals and the land in sight to the N along with off.

Lat by obs 61, 16 N Long by Ch 177, 24 East

Monday May 2nd

Light wind from NW and fine weather. In the morning set all sail and headed N and then headed off to ESE, We made through the ice about an East Course. Put them in spots and some places leaves, Joseph 10 miles to the NE of us and Hibernia 4 miles South of us and standing along as we, Saw plenty of seals and caught 2, We skinned ship and I think killed all the rats, Killed 3 pigs 5 p. m. m. old and 1 small dog, Blacksmith making mules from 4 lances.

Lat by obs 61, 13 N

Tuesday May 3rd

Fresh breeze from N to NW and clear cold weather, All sail set and stood to the NE, Hibernia still along with to the East of us and a strip of clear water then swung to the NE of us by the current & I see that the most Eastern ships swings to the North just the ship west, We are now current to the NE of the Joseph by being to the East of her, Heavy ice to the N of us, See the horn of the land to the NE of us, Saw 2 grampoides.

Lat by obs 61, 21 N Long by Ch 177, 26