

Monday June 24th

Light wind from S in the fore noon and thick fog. In the morning set all sail and steered off E. S. E. carrying all sail, and soon came to ice and heeled around West S. W. and laid aback. Capt. Gray from Sea breeze came on board & spent the day. After noon the fog cleared off, so we had fine clear weather and saw St. Lawrence Island to the South of us and the land all along to the West and ice all around from N. W. to E. S. E. packed, 9 ships in sight along the ice, laying aback part of the time, counted 20 fathoms.

Lat by obs 64, 20 Long by Ch 170, 24 West

Tuesday June 25th

Light wind from N. W. and fine clear weather. Went to the N. W. Home and laid aback and heeled the ship and cut off the buff copper and mailed down. Saw plenty of ducks and birds, some seals, saw 4 boats from a barque after a while, eleven walruses in sight, 8 vessels in this hole. We are all most surrounded with ice. Saw a barque along way to the North. Henry has been doing something to the men forward and I talked to him for it. Land in sight to the West. We are in the middle of the Straits.

Lat by obs 64, 30

Wednesday June 26th

Light wind from S. W. and fine clear weather. In the morning set all sail and steered to the N. W. through scattering ice and after noon had a nice breeze and most clear water. Steered for St. Lawrence Head, saw a ship ahead of us and 8 ships accompanying with us. We are now to the N. of the packed ice. Saw the land & strips of ice.

Lat by obs 63, 00 Long by Ch 170 West

Thursday June 27th

Fresh breeze from South and fine clear weather. We went from St. Lawrence Bay in to the Arctic by 1 P. M. We were now 10 miles to the N. of East Cape, ice, and saw lots of ice 16 ships in sight. Most of them in company. Land in sight and ships on shore.

Lat by obs 66, 20 Long by Ch 169, 52

Friday June 28th July 1st 1870

Moderate wind from S. W. and fine clear weather. Steered off of N. by W. till noon and then came to Walrus on ice, lowered and got up, saw 25 ships working to the North. Steered in N. W. and saw more Walruses. Saw whole birds along the ice.

Lat by obs 67, 10 Long by Ch 170, 13 West

Saturday July 2nd

Fresh breeze from S. W. and good weather. In the morning I run off to the North. Spoke the Walrus Hellen Snow, Herman, Henry Tiber & Elizabeth Swift. Saw about 25 ships and all Walrus along the ice. We Walrused till the afternoon. Caught 10 Walrus and 17 Walrus last night about 55 Walrus, all told. All sail set. Saw whole birds.

Lat by obs 67 55 N Long by Ch 170, 10

Sunday July 3rd

Light wind from West and calm. In the morning stood to the ice and 5 boats went in Walrusing and only got 5 Walrus. Plenty of ships along the ice here with their boats in the ice. Cooper put 4000 bottom of wood in the dug tubs and we chopped up blubber, broke out 5 casks of water and set them on decks. Saw many new Walrus.

Lat about 68 00 North