

Tuesday Aug 23rd

Strong wind from N.E. and cloudy with cold rain and freezing, beating to the N.E., Carrying reefed top sails & Lube, Took in the fore top sail & Mizzen to stow and in the fore hold, Big scattering ice, about 16 ships in sight all working N.E., Employed in stowing oil and bailing, See no whales don't see the land, Saw 2 ships lay aback as the they seen a whale,

Sounded and got 55 fathoms water

Wednesday Aug 24th

Fresh wind from N.E. and foggy squally, beating to the N.E., In the morning Point Barrow in sight & lie all along the point, About 25 ships in sight, Saw 3 of the Northern ships take whales & saw the rest chasing, At 2 P.M. gale with snow, The cut for 4th whale last night & she has lost her big anchor At 4 we saw a whale near the ship and he was stowed but could not keep the run of him on account of the snow squalls, Water looking thick & yellowish and plenty of white birds & other kind of birds, All hands breaking out shovels and boaling the rigging covered with ice, We are 15 miles N.W. of Point Barrow to night

Thursday Aug 25th

Strong wind part of the day and light wind part of the day from N.E. and good weather, 25 ships in sight and saw the ships a whaling and several ships cutting whales, The one of Point Barrow and see the Point and the huts on the Point, See one canoe off the main pack ice around the Point, We saw 4 whales, All hands breaking out the fore peak and bailing, I went on board the Concordia and got a

Shackled 71, 22 N

Friday Aug 26th

Strong wind from N.E. to E.N.E. and cloudy, beating to the N.E. part of the time and saw 3 whales and chased one 3 hours, All the whales going S.W. Just after they got off from the ice 2 miles, Saw 3 whales cut and most of the ships chasing, Hope ship California and Orca, 35 ships in sight, part of them a bailing, Point Barrow in sight to the S.E. 8 miles off and the Deluge in sight strong current around the ice & the reefs

Got about 71, 28 N

Saturday Aug 27th

Strong wind from N.E. and cold weather and snow squally, Carrying short sail, standing between ice & ice, About 3 ships in sight, Some a bailing, Saw 3 whales going S.W., Saw a bergue to the S.W. of us with children & caulery flying and a lot of ships around her, I think she is stove by the ice, All hands stowing oil in the main hold and bailing

We are off Point Barrow

Sunday Aug 28th

Strong wind from N.E. and good weather In the morning close in to the ice at Point Barrow and I set whole top sails and run off to the S.W. to the West Sea and saw one whale going to the N.E., Plenty of ships in sight and some a bailing, At noon I went on board the Helena and saw Capt. Rice, he is sick, Then we stood a cross to the land & saw one ship that had been cutting & one chasing whales, Saw 4 ships to anchor under the lee of Point Barrow and Eschscholtz just to the S.W. & bailing

Got at noon 71, 31