

about 10000 Hops. See birds, At 3 P.M.

Steered off S.E. by S and set the forebail and sault reefed topbails, Looked like better weather, More now steering for the Straits, Wind falling off & Sea going down at 4 P.M., Ship & rigging covered with ice.

Lat at 3 P.M. by 68, 20 Long by 168, 15

Saturday Oct 8th

Begins with strong gales from S.W. We were all last night under close reefed topbails, Could see but not the squally, very well, Officer & Boatster at the Mast head, I was up most the night, Sounded along and got from 12 to 15 fathoms of water. In the morning set whole main topbail & main top gullion sail and steered S.E. by S, through the night S.W. part of the time, In the morning saw the Daniel Webster a Stern and she came up with us, Saw another ship a Stern coming up. At Noon Lat 66, 14.5 by 68, 20 Long by 168, 15 on the East shore. Saw a ship of Trade & dark water, whale birds and ducks, Steered S.W. At Noon blowed on a heavy gale from S.W., Shortened sail to a close reefed main topbail and stay sails. Blowed on very heavy and the ship went down and filled the decks with water, let the chain been below. Threw a cask of oil, Cut away the bulwer bag, threw over board shockers and shocker heads, lost the mast and bow boats. Lost a great deal of stuff over board. After lightening the ship she laid better, We found her sailing in 15 fathoms water and Gorge off into 20 fathoms. This night will carry us through in Deomed Islands under our lee bow & back & staying night.

Oct 9th E. C. Lutter was killed by a sea boarding ship and a eight lb cask of water fell on him in Shereps Straits. Sunday Oct 9th

Blowed a heavy gale from S.W. with heavy squally and snow squalls, Carried a close reefed main topbail & stay sails, At 3 in the morning we saw that we was on the water side of the big Deomed Island, were crossing and run to the East of the island and run to the S of them and hove too, At 10 P.M. Steered off S.W. and set close reefed fore topbail and 2 P.M. came in thick snow, took in the fore topbail and hove too heading S.E., heavy sea on and breaking over the ship, A sea boarded the ship and an empty cask pitched over and killed E. C. Lutter our Boatster, Our shockers on deck are washing over board, Cut a hole in the or through the starboard bulwer bag to let the water off, were in the Straits in 15 fathoms water and on the line of 165 latitude. A deep plenty of hagglets and some ducks. All hands have their clothes wet and all about tired out.

Monday Oct 10th

Strong gales from S and heavy sea and thick weather. In the morning set the fore topbail and steered to the West At 8 in the morning saw the land to the S.W. of us and steered up for it, saw a Barge steering S.W., We steered off S.W. thinking we was not up to Pluver Bay and run past it, the gale moderated as we drew out of the Straits, at noon off Pluver Bay, Pluver Bay bearing by Compass N.W. distant 28 miles. Threw by the bow and made sail for Pluver Bay, died a way calm, cleared up the decks and got ready to start the work. Saw a number of Ginkbacks, Number of men tired out and gone below to (at noon by 63, 53).