

Friday, June 27, A.D. 1851.

These 24 hours begins with fine pleasant breeze from West. to S.W. ship under all sail steering E.N.E. along the ice. Several ships in sight at 6 P.M. saw a boat take a whale alongside at 7 breezy on hauled by the wind to the S.E. the weather hazy. The middle part with breezy the weather brisk. In latter part, at 8 a.m. double reef the top sails, at 8¹⁵ at whole top, sail the weather thick with little or no wind, ship heading N.E. Lat. 63° 20' N. Long. 17° 40' W.

Saturday, June 28.

These 24 hours begins light air and calm thick by shells watches employed hauling after hake. Ship under whole top sail, heading to the S.W. one ship in sight. A canoe very near breaking my leg by a burst of flower. Brought the bone a little, at 9 P.M. turned back for a whale amongst ribbers in 20 minutes. And the whale took ship, at 11 commenced cutting finished at 4 past 3 a.m. the latter part light baffling air and thick fog, some finding the first whale.

Sunday, June 29.

These 24 hours begins with light winds from the S.W. ship under all sail steering by the wind to the S.W. boiling, saw nothing of account at 9 P.M. took in top sail. The middle part continues much the same. The latter part with breeze from the S.W. at 9 a.m. spoke ship at East of N.E. 4 whales, boiling to under steering to the eastward. Several ships in sight Lat. 63° 07' N. Long. 17° 52' W.

Monday, June 30.

These 24 hours begins with brisk breeze from the S.W. ship under whole top sails, steering to the eastward at 8 P.M. saw several whales, and ship a whale, took one boat for whale, at 8 a.m. breezy and rugged, at 7 double reef the top sail, headed by the wind to the S.E. ice in sight, the middle and latter part strong breezy and with good weather at 8 a.m. wore ship to the E. Westward, at 10 a.m. finished hauling, cleared up decks, and ship under double reef top sails, no other.

Tuesday, July 1, A.D. 1851.

These 24 hours begins with steady breeze from the S.W. accompanied with thick fog. Ship under double reef top sails, heading to the Westward. Saw 2 ships off the lee beam, at 8 P.M. wore ship to the S.W. the middle part continues much the same. at 9 a.m. called all hands wore ship to the Westward, took out the main hatch and commenced stowing down oil, ends with thick fog. No other.

Wednesday, July 2.

These 24 hours begins with moderate wind from the S.W. accompanied with thick fog, all hands employed stowing oil in the main hatch. Ship under double reef top sails steering E.N.E. the middle and latter part light air and calm with thick fog. heard and saw a number of whales close to us. Ship in the edge of the ice, watches employed cleaning bone.

Thursday, July 3.

These 24 hours begins with calm and thick fog. saw a number of speckle top whales & one to be thick to loose after them. Ship into the edge of the ice. The middle part had a light baffling wind some west. to West. The latter part calm and rainy 2 ships in sight the other, and Henry Thompson, of N.E. Ships in amongst the ice.

Friday, July 4.

These 24 hours begins with light air and calm & light ships in sight. the weather hazy and rainy, from 35 to 44 fathoms water muddy bottom. St. Lawrence Island about 44 miles dist. E.N.E. the middle part continues the same, at 8 a.m. clear away pleasant with a light breeze from S.W. to E.N.E. ship under all sail steering by the wind to the Northward land in sight, and all sail of ship. The anniversary of Independence has been duly celebrated by the Stating fleet, firing cannon and ringing of bells. So ends this day and page.

Lat. 63° 30' N. Long. 17° 52' W.