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Sept 17th 1891

Moderate breezes from the S.W. with fine weather, cruising different courses, in company with the fleet of sailing vessels, also two ships in sight.

Sept. 18th

Moderate breezes from the S.W. steered to the N.E. all day. Spoke "Bogue" "Josephine" and while gamming she saw a "Bonhead" she lowered but did not see him again, also spoke "B.K." Northern Light, weather thick with snow squalls.

Sept. 19th

Slight breezes from the W. & N.W. kept of S.E. at 7 A.M. and steered so all day, weather thick & snowy, but warm, several vessels in sight steering different courses at dark were too heading to the Westward.

Sept 20th

Strong breezes from the North and pretty cold. Ship cruising under the lee of the ice lowered trawl for "Bonheads" without success, Whales going to the S.W. saw the "Bogue" "Josephine" chasing (no catch).

Lat 72.03-

Long 176.21

in Arctic Ocean, Season of 1891

Sept 21st 1891

Begins with strong Northerly breeze and increasing to a fresh gale from the same, at 4 A.M. saw a "Bonhead" one rising did not see him again weather thick with snow & frost smoke. Ship lying under the lee of the ice, until about 4 P.M. then kept off and run clear of all loose ice, and hove to on the Port tack. Thermometer at 18° degrees "Fahrenheit" some ice making on the vessel, lying too under staysails. Bogue Josephine in sight.

Sept. 22nd

Begins with a fresh gale from the North, with snow, and cold weather ship lying too on the Port tack, and ice making on vessel considerably, move ship at daylight, and lay too on the S tack, saw three "Bogues" lying too, the "Sea Breeze" "Tombelam" & "Friton" middle & last part wind moderating some, saw the fleet of eight vessels to the windward at dark, one of them "Coaling", made some sail and working to the windward, wind N.W.W.

Sept. 23rd

Begins and ends with moderate breezes from N.W.W. ship working to the N. towards the ice, weather cold and snowy. Spoke B.K. Abham "Barker", Gifford, Master two "Bonheads" also five other vessels gamming her.