

Brig Frances A Barstow.

October 7th 1891

Strong N.E. winds, ship working to the windward. Saw a "Bowhead" lowered and L. Boat struck. whale took out about fifty fathom of line. then the iron came out. chased him to the leeward a long ways. but could not strike him again. Plenty of ships in sight. one of them chasing. latter part wind moderating some.

Oct. 8th

Light breeze from the N.E. N.W. ship working to the windward at 8 A.M. spoke "St. Belvedere" "Whitcomb" Master. right "Bowheads" & four Right Whales.

Reports that the "St. W. Lewis" was wrecked on "Point Barrow"

Oct. 4th in a thick fog. and he had the "Capt" & crew on board. we took a "Bealstern" and two of the crew to take down. later twenty ships in sight. the most of them cutting or chasing. all of them to the windward of us.

Lat - 71.00
Long. 171.00

(Bowhead)

(Belvedere)

in the Arctic Ocean. season of 1891.

Oct. 9th 1891.

Moderate breezes from the N. & N.W. ship cruising. ice in sight to the N.W. at daylight saw a "Bowhead" lowered but did not see him from the boats. eighteen ships & str in sight. some of them chasing. "Hunter" took a whale. during the day spoke Bks "Reindeer" "B. Billow" "John & Winthrop" & "W. Baylies" "Reindeer" took a whale yesterday. the rest of them nothing this fall. Reports the "Trilon" "Henderson" & "Hunter" each took a whale yesterday.

Oct. 10th

Begins and ends with strong breezes from the Westward.

Ship cruising on different tracks. Sixteen ships in sight most of them chasing. Saw "St. Beluga" & "Hunter" each take a whale. saw about twenty "Bowheads" ourselves all going to the windward quick. did not lower

Oct. 11th

All these 24 hours calms & light variables. steering S.E. by E. since daylight when possible. Bound out spoke "Bk. John P. West". nothing since we saw her last. Reports the "B. Billow" took a whale yesterday. Broke out "water" and a cask of "Breb" gear ships in sight.

(Bowhead)

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(John P. West)

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