

Remarks on board Brig. F. A. Barstow
Sept. 29.

(Bowhead) Commences with a strong W. wind. Brig. with the other vessels cruising along among scattering ice, saw a dead whale but the head was gone, supposed to have been one taken by Sch. Bonanza. Saw a Steamer whaling among the ice and got one. Latter part wind increasing, saw 3 Bowheads but the matter was too bad to lower. — 6 P.M. Spoke Sk. Beluga with 14 Bowheads, later took in F. Top sail.

Sept. 30th

Begins with a strong wind from N.W. vessel cruising around among scattering ice, Saw BK Reindeer cutting, also a Steamer cutting, Latter part wind moderating some, with some snow.

Oct. 1st

Commences with a N.W. wind and snow squalls. Saw Steamer Belvidere and BK. Wm. Baylies each take a whale also 2 Steamers chasing without success. Latter part wind moderating some, gammed BK Alaska with 3 Whales. so ends.

Oct. 2nd

Commences with light wind from N.W. At 9-30 Raised 3 Bowheads lowered and struck one to the Starboard Boat took it alongside and cut his head off, and at 1 o'clock made sail. Also saw Bks. Alaska, and Alice Knicker, and St. George Foreman take a whale each. Latter part wind increasing and plenty of snow squalls.

D. F. Devell, Master
Oct. 3rd

(Bowhead) Begins with light wind and a thick snowstorm from the N.E. At noon raised a Bowhead going to the S.E. lowered all the Boats but had no success. Afterward saw the BK. Alaska take a whale, and the Sch. Rosario chasing. Latter part weather clearing and wind hauling to the N.

Oct. 4th

(Bowhead) Commences with a strong breeze from N.W. Spoke BK. Abram Barker with 8 Bowheads. At noon raised a Bowhead lowered but did not get him. Middle part wind light and hauling to the South. at dark gammed Sch. Rosario. so ends

Oct. 5th

(Bowhead) Begins with a fresh gale from N.W. at 10 A.M. took in Fore Top sail, weather cold and ice making on the vessel very fast. Latter part gale moderating at 5 P.M. set fore Top sail and kept off S.E. by S. passed a Steamer and one Schooner in the night lying to.

Oct. 6th

Commences with a light breeze from S.W. Employed knocking ice off the vessel. Middle part wind increasing and hauling to S.E. took guns and lines out of the boats at dark. Cape Lisburn in sight S.E. about 30 miles distant, also Sch. Bonanza on Port tack. At 6 P.M. wore ship and stood to the South.