

The Isabella Cruising In

Saturday June the 4th Day

First part light air from the northward & fine weather. Employed boiling. The boats in among the ice chasing wild whales. Struck on & pursued the line several ships in sight in & about the ice. Middle & last part light air from the eastward with thick fog. W B Os

Sunday June the 5th

First part thick fog with light air from the eastward. Employed boiling. Middle & last part much the same. Employed boiling & steaming down oil. Ship by the wind under short sail heading on different tracks. W B Os

Monday June the 6th

First part light air from the eastward with foggy weather. Employed boiling & steaming down oil. Spoke the Hero of Buntuchet nothing this season. Middle part thick fog with the wind from s.w. Latter part the same employed boiling. Ends with cloudy weather. Several ships in sight. W B Os

Tuesday June the 7th Day

First part fresh breezes from the westward & cloudy weather. Stead in to the ice. Saw one whale. Landed to no effect. Employed boiling. Middle part much the same. Finished boiling. Latter part. Stead in to the ice. Saw no whales & stand off again. Employed steaming down oil. Ends with thick fog. W B Os

Wednesday June the 8th

First part fresh breezes from the westward with thick fog. Ship lying aback. Employed steaming down oil. Middle part much the same. Latter part clear. Lowered the boats at 6 A.M. & pulled in to the ice. Saw a number of whales but very wild. Saw a number of ships with their boats chasing whales among the ice. but saw none of them catch any. Ends with cloudy weather & light air from the westward. W B Os

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Thursday June the 9th Day

First part calm. Saw several whales. the boats off chasing. Struck one & pursued the line among the ice. Middle part calm. Latter part light air from the s.w. with some fog. Saw many whales but very wild. Could not strike them. Several ships in sight with their boats down chasing wild whales. Ends with thick fog. W B Os

Friday June the 10th Day

First part light air from the northward. the boats among the ice chasing wild whales. got near enough to one to fire a lum lance into him but saw nothing more of him. Middle & last part thick fog with fresh breezes from the northward. W B Os

Saturday June the 11th

First part fresh breezes from the northward with thick fog. Ship under double reefed top sails heading off & on the ice. Middle part the same. Latter part the wind changed to the westward & cleared up. Stead in among the ice. Saw no whales. Several ships. Ends with fine weather. Wind s.w. Lat 57.30 Long 131.08 East

Sunday June the 12th Day

First part fine pleasant weather wind from the westward. Sent the boats in among the ice to look for whales. Saw two going fast to the N.E. spoke the Circinnath of Stoneyton nothing this season. Spoke the Commodore of Fishery 44 whales. Middle & last part steaming to the N.E. under all sail following the ice down in order to get round it & get to the northward passed the custom station & steamed up to the north. Ends with fine weather. Wind s.w. Lat 57.30. Long 131.21

Monday June the 13th Day

First part fresh breeze from s.w. Ship under all sail steaming to the northward. Spoke the John Cleland 3 whales also an English bark with two whales passed through all of the scattering ice & saw all clear water to the northward. Middle part heading to the s.w. under short sail ship lying aback. Latter part made all sail & kept off s by e. came in a thick fog, saw a ship & headed to the southward. W B Os