

Laying in North East Harbour

1865

Sunday June 25th

Begins with a fresh gail from NE, with thick rainey weather ship at anchor. Comfortable Illinois in company last part more moderate but rainey took up the starboard anchor laying by the stern one with 60 fathoms of chain but so ends this day at anchor no ice in sight saw one whale going up the bay

Monday June 26th

Begins with a brisk breeze from NE, with thick rainey weather ship at anchor at 1:30 P.M. took anchor let sail steered S.W. up the bay at 10 P.M. anchored in 20 fathoms of water along shore gave the ship 60 fathoms of chain a strong wind from NE with rainey weather last part the same sent down the main royal and top gallant yards so ends this day no ice in sight

Tuesday June 27th

Begins with strong wind from NE, with thick rainey weather ship at anchor the land dist three miles middle part the same at 1 P.M. took anchor stood up the bay about five miles dropped again in 14 fathoms of water at 9 A.M. saw plenty of drift ice coming out to anchor and went with the ice of the ice all clear dropped the anchor again thick fog and rain saw dist about 5 miles so ends this day at anchor

Laying at Anchor on the North Shore

Wednesday June 28th

Begins with a light air from the North with thick rainey weather ship at anchor last part started two boats to the head of the bay thick fog and rainey some drift ice round saw several whales going out of the bay by the ship hands employed at various jobs about the ship so ends this day looking hard for whales

Thursday June 29th

Begins with clear pleasant weather and calm plenty of ice in sight middle part thick fog last part thick fog with rain with a light breeze from NE, the boats still absent up the bay at 10 A.M. the fog lifted a little so ends this day

Friday June 30th

Begins with a moderate breeze from NE, with rain sent down main top gallant mast at 6 P.M. took the anchor went nearer in shore and anchored again middle part middle part wind S.W. with fog and rain last part wind NE with a rain storm and getting quite rugged so ends this day

Saturday July 1st

Begins with a gale of wind from NE, and a rain storm and a very heavy sea ship riding by her port anchor in 14 fathoms of water with 60 fathoms of scope and the ship pitching very heavy at 4 P.M. little more moderate at 6 P.M. the chain of our best bowen parted let go the starboard anchor at once got out another anchor and shackled on the chain having lost 34 fathoms and let that go middle part a heavy gale of wind from NE with rain last part the gale still up some up the land anchor found the chain had parted lost another anchor shackled on a small hodge let that go and the storm still up and plenty of ice round so ends this day two boats out