

Working Through the Ice in Behoth Sea

1866

Sunday May 13th 1866

Begins with light breeze from ESE with foggy weather ship working to the SW in the ice middle part aback last part the ice light and scattering. Set all sail steering N by E with light foggy. Lat by obs 54° 13' N Long Chron 157° 06' E

Monday May 14th

Begins with light and thick weather from E ship steering NW by N through the ice middle part aback with short sail last part steered NW by N the weather much the same. Lat by obs 53° 04' N Long Chron 150° 13' E

Tuesday May 15th

Begins with moderate weather from the East ship working to the westward middle part by the wind aback last part set powder sail steered NW by N through the ice saw 11 sail to the South no whails. Lat by obs 53° 53' N Long Chron 150° 45' E

Wednesday May 16th

Begins with quick breeze from N steering NW thick weather spoke Brigg comet with middle and last part the same plenty ice. Lat by obs 54° 54' N Long Chron 151° 54' E

Thursday May 17th

Begins with fresh breeze from NW and foggy ship working to the NW in the ice the bark William and Hennessy in sight middle and last part the same. Lat by obs 55° 58' N Long Chron 157° 23' E

Friday May 18th

Begins with light pleasant weather from N middle and last part the same ship work to NW four sails in company saw hulk. Lat by obs 55° 08' N Long Chron 157° 32' E

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Saturday May 19th

Begins with light weather from NW with pleasant weather ship working through the ice to the NW middle part aback last part working the same wind ESE six sails in company and plenty ice. Lat by obs 54° 13' N Long Chron 147° 22' E

Sunday May 20th

Begins with very light weather from ESE middle and last part the same ship with all prudent sail set in the ice working to the NW six sails in company & her. Lat by obs 53° 19' N Long Chron 146° 52' E

Monday May 21st

Begins with light and pleasant weather from NW ship in the ice employed working the ship through the ice to the NW middle and last part the same spoke Brigg comet three other ships in sight. Lat by obs 53° 27' N Long Chron 145° 54' E

Tuesday May 22nd

Begins with light pleasant weather from NE steering NW by W middle and last part wind N by W ship working through the ice spoke Bark Active with nothing four other sails in sight. Lat by obs 56° 00' N Long Chron 154° 56' E

Wednesday May 23rd

Begins with light pleasant weather from NW middle part the same last part light breeze from SE ship working to the NW by W at 5. Saw four furas the bark William Ratch 9 sails in sight. Lat by obs 56° 20' N Long Chron 143° 52' E