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Remarks on Board of Bark Lydia of New Bedford

Saturday July 21st 1866

Commenced light breeze from the westward and pleasant weather. Sailing with the Three Brothers, Middle and Latter part fresh breeze steering various courses saw plenty of Ice tacking off and on the Ice 5 Ships in sight. Spoke the Muscieux

Latt Obs. 69.10 N. Long 172.15 W

Sunday July 22nd

Commenced light breeze from N.W. heading to the westward, thick and foggy. Middle part light air close to the Ice heading off. Latter part moderate breeze from S.E. and Clouds heading various ways. Spoke Ship Addeline. Sailed 3 Whales and landed with her. No Obs.

Monday July 23rd

Continued the same. 3 P.M. broke up the Gam. 4 O.C. landed with the Milo and Tamerlane heading S.W. for the Ice. 16 Ships in sight, the Prudent Three Brothers and Camilla joined the Gam, the rest of this day gentle breeze from N.E. steering various ways. Plenty of Ice and 20 Ships in sight.

Latt Obs. 69.50 N. Long by Chron 172.51 W

Tuesday July 24th

Fresh breeze from N.E. heading N.W. by N. sailing with the Camilla. Middle part like same. Latter part strong breeze and thick rainy weather from N.E. heading to S.E. Under 2 reefed topsails. 3 Ships in sight. No Obs.

Wednesday July 25th

The weather more moderate but quite thick, heading to S.E. Middle and Latter part the same as the former heading on 12 hour tacks, thick as burgoo you cannot see the jib boom end half the time. Ends Thick Fog.

Saw the Camilla several times through the Fog

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Thos B. Hathaway Master in the Arctic 1866

Thursday July 26th 1866

Continued the same thick fog. wind from the Eastward heading to the North 4 P.M. the fog lifted a little saw the Ice and 2 Ships one of them the Camilla Capt. went on board of her & O.C. the fog came again Capt. came on board remained Rainier and foggy the rest of this day.

Latt by Chron 70.00 N. Long 172.25 W

Friday July 27th

Commenced light breeze from the Eastward heading to S.E. and thick weather let up a little saw two Ships 4 P.M. had a small Gam with James Murray 6.30 thick fog broke up the gam, thick fog for the rest of this day only at intervals. Spoke Ship Elizabeth Swift. Porter 170 lbs this season. Ends much the same. No Obs.

Saturday July 28th

Still continued foggy wind from the North heading to the E.N.E. lying aback. 4 P.M. let up. Saw 5 Ships. Spoke the Ocean, boiling his 4th whale, Capt Barber came on board a little while and it came on foggy again he went on board. Latter part light breeze and pleasant from the Eastward heading to the N.W. drying some.

Latt Obs 70.03 N. Long by Chron 173.10 W

Sunday July 29th

Continued the same saw 7 Ships and the Ice 4 P.M. foggy 5 O.C. wore ship to the South. thick through the night Latter part light breeze and hazy cloudy weather with some rain heading N.E. No Obs.

Monday July 30th

Light breeze from the N.W. heading various ways 4 Ships in sight 1 P.M. spoke Ship Thos Dickson one nothing this season, had a gam. Middle and Latter part light breeze from various ways heading various courses, part of the time lying aback in the fog and braced full when it was clear.

Latt Obs 70.15 N. Long 172.40 W