

1857

B. H. H. cruising in the Ochotsk Sea May
Wednesday May 6th 1857

Wed 6 All these 24 hours light variable
Winds steering to the Northward &
Eastward through the ice put
out a starboard low boat. saw
some black grampuses

Thurs 7 A light breeze from S to SE
heading to the Northward and
Eastward through the ice
Latter part steering NW
attended with snow

Fri 8 Light variable winds from SE to
NW working to the Northward
& Westward through the ice some
snow saw number of seals

Sat 9 A light breeze from the Westward
working to the Northward saw
some black grampuses low
and the boats without success

Sun 10 Light variable winds & calm
on various tacks saw grampuses
at 5 P.M. gamed with the ship
Champeon of New Bedford two sails in
capt Gray's reports of war in sight
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Mon 11 A fresh breeze from SE to NE
on various tacks working to
the Northward & Eastward gamed
with the ship Magnolia
capt Cox's sail in sight & ice
the weather cloudy & cold

B. H. H. in the Ochotsk Sea May 1857
Sunday May the 1st 1857

Mon 1 The fore part fresh breeze from
NW heading W through the
Passage between Round and
Hope Islands at 10 P.M. got
through a light breeze
Latter part strong breeze from
SE steering NW & W saw
humpbacks

Tue 2 A strong breeze from SW to
steering NW & W at 1 P.M. saw the ice & shortened
sail Latter part moderate gale
from NW heading N attended
with a snow storm

Wed 3 The fore part moderate gale
from NW heading NE
Middle & latter parts light
breeze from NW to SW
steering NW through the ice

Thurs 4 The fore & middle parts fresh breeze
from S to SE steering NW
through the ice Latter part
strong breeze to the Eastward
saw grampuses attended with
a cold snow storm

Fri 5 The fore & middle parts moderate
gale from SE to E on various
tacks in the ice attended with
a snow storm
Latter part fresh breeze from
NE steering NW through the
ice