

Barge. Midea of New Bedford Mass.

Lat 45 25 Sunday May 22nd 1859. Remarks on board

Long 150 15

This day comes in thick and snowing moderate sea. Brown S. by S ship under short sail heading for Bowhead Island. One way then the other not caring about going much any way laying about to kill time. Until a chance makes to go to the west it now being pretty well blocked up with ice from Cape Chien. S. by S to cause for at least 60 miles mid part. And probably farther thick fog latter part clear in company with ship L. C. Richmond capt. Tallman very thick 10 sails in sight at Sun. set. bowhead Island. At the end of the day 30 miles head ship to S. E.

Monday May 23rd 1859 Remarks on board

Lat

This day comes in fine in company L. C. Richmond capt. Tallman very thick 10 sails in sight at 9 p.m. Bowhead Island. S. by S. 30 miles head ship of Shaw. S. by S mid part thick latter part clear. And pleasant start in to Cape Chien spoke ship Gideon Howland capt. James Williams saw some Muffle diggers 11 sails in sight ends thick. Capt. Williams on board the Midea capt. Tallman very thick to end the day several times part seen.

Long

Tuesday May 24th 1859 Remarks on board

This day comes in thick fog in company with the G. H. mid part saw three ships head and part in the ice latter part thick and moderate in company with the G. H. capt. Tallman thick and very foggy. According to his look's saw sund. sail to end the day.

Cruising in Chrecoet Sea. J. B. Tallman Master 1859

Long 150 Wednesday May 25th 1859. Remarks on board

This day comes in thick in company with the ship G. H. at 2 p.m. wind came to the westward took ship to the southward at 9 p.m. bowhead Island under bare S. E. 35 miles ship under all sail heading to the S. S. W mid part strong breeze from W. latter part much the same saw 2 sails one near by and a plenty of ice ran ship along the ice to the S. W. and South looking in and out in the ice capt. Tallman very unwell so ends this day on board Midea.

Thursday May 26th 1859 Remarks on board

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This day comes in strong breeze from W. S. W ship sailing and shearing around the ice in and out of holes at 6 p.m. thick as tar double reef the topsails furler jib mainsail foresail and lay aback. Under the lee of the ice mid part much the same latter part thick made all sail so ends this day.

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Friday May 27th 1859 Remarks on board

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This day comes in thick fog in company with the Congress Stanburgh 1 thale since leaving N. Bedford. At 6 p.m. double reef the topsails lay aback. Thick as mud. Mid part much the same latter part thick. Clear up by short spile light air from the westward ship heading to the westward through the ice but the ice is pretty open one ship in sight supposed to be Congress Capt. Tallman all down to the keel.

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