

Wednesday April 17th

First part of the Day
Strong wind from N.W. heading or carrying, kept
topsails, I close so that the ship lies still or close in
Empire close by, Capt Russell came onboard and
spent the Day, Came on the ice, Latter part
of the Day wind light and heading us off to the east-
ward some, weather grew warmer and the ice opened and
commenced thawing, At 4 got in a clear spot of wa-
ter, Capt Russell came onboard in his boat, Wind
hauled to S.W. we ship heading N.W. by W

Lat 54° 05' Long 150° 35'

Thursday April 18th

First part of the Day light wind from
E.S.E. and fine clear weather, Ice opened some, Steer-
ed to the N.W. came through the ice, All sail
set, I went on board the Empire and spent
the Day, broke out the storage hold and over-
hauled our provisions, Latter part of the After-
noon the wind hauled to S.W. and the ice closed
very fast and ice rather larger

Lat 54° 30' Long 150° 20'
Long by Empire 149° 35'

Friday April 19th

Strong wind from N.W. and cold &
cloudy weather, carrying short sail heading N.W.
and drifting off S.W. ice about the same, Empire
close by, Capt Russell came onboard and spent the
Day with me, At 4 PM closed reefed the sails for
the night

Lat 54° 34' Long 150° 05'

Saturday April 30th

First part fresh wind from
N.W. by N, and fine weather, heading W by S, carrying
all sail, Ice open in some places, but partly pro-
e over with new ice, At 1 PM took ship and stood
to the N. Wind W by N, and blowed up strong,
kept the topsails, and pressed the ship in to the N
& Empire close by, I see that our sheath boat
ing in the West, or some of it is coming off, Saw
several seal on the ice, We make slow he-
adway in beating to the N.W. in the ice, I hope
the wind will come South soon, so we can go
N.W. and a southerly wind will break up the
ice and thaw some of it, Saw some small
holes in ice from South

Lat 54° 15' Long 149° 55'

Sunday May 1st

In the morning we took a fresh
wind from E.S.E., steered to the N carrying all sail
till 12 M, then kept the topsails, At 6 PM came
to ice that has not broken up this season, could
not go through it, wore ship and got out of it,
then wore aback, heading N. Closed reefed the
topsails and laid aback for the night, Wind haul-
ing to the N some, Saw several seal on the ice

Lat 54° 30' Long 149° 50'

Monday May 2nd

Commences with a fresh breeze from
E.N.E. and fine weather, In the morning we worked
off to the N.W. a little but we soon came to ice that
was not broken up as far as we could see, Took
in sail and let the ship lie for the wind hauled
to N. Latter part of the Day and all small holes
in ice from S and the ice commenced breaking up,
I spent the Day onboard the Empire, I & Capt