

of us till the ice opened so he could go to his ship. At Sundown took in all sail for the night, latter part of the day cold cloudy weather & some snow, fast in the ice all sail in, Othello fast in the ice close by all sail in & bailing, Saw 2 bowheads come up in the ice close by the ship. All solid ice to the S & S.W.

Lat by acc 57,00 Long by acc 143,20
Friday May 25th

Fresh wind from E.S.E. and cloudy weather. Lying with all sail in most the time closed up in the ice, Othello in company a bailing, Saw 6 whale quite still working slowly to the W.S.W., Made sail several times to get out in to clear strips of water but failed, Plenty of birds around.

Lat by obs 57,00 Long by Ch 143,08
Saturday May 26th

Fresh breeze from E.S.E., First part of the day lying in the ice, Saw 3 bowheads, Did not have far to go we could not get our boats down for ice, Saw something we called a dead whale, I went to it, It proved to be a Caribbea. At 6 P.M. the ice opened, so we let sail & went to the W in clear water till 9 o'clock P.M., then took in sail for the night, Othello in company, I went on board of her at 9, latter part of the day had a snow storm, lying fast to the ice with the sails furled, Othello close by.

Lat by acc 57,00 Long by acc 141,50
Sunday May 27th

First part of the day light wind from S.E. and thick foggy, Mr. Humes went on board the Othello, we lying anchored to a cake of ice, At 6 P.M. foggy & lumpy, Saw about 6 whale, lowered the boats & struck one, killed him, the ice closed up the boats, At 1 P.M. the ice opened, so we got the whale to the ship at 2 P.M., latter part of the day light air from S. and fine warm weather, Cuten our whale & set all sails & worked to the W. Saw the Othello chasing a whale going West, Saw a ship to the S.E. of us steering to the West, ice quite thick but rather light.

Lat by obs 57,00 Long by Ch 142,25

Monday May 28th

First part of the day light wind from S. and fine weather, Steered off to the W. Some through the ice, Saw a ship to the S.E. of us. At Sundown took in light wind from W., Took in all sail for the night, latter part of the day light wind from W.S.W. and fine weather, At 3 in the morning set off & worked to the W.S.W. through the ice, some places the ice thick & some places the ice thin, Othello in company, Capt. Killmer came on board a short time, we beat through the ice to the W.S.W., The Othello saw whales going W.S.W. fast, Saw plenty of white fish going W.S.W., 2 bargues to the E. of us working to the West, Saw white gulls flying to the S. & East also. Ducks.

Lat by obs 56,58 Long by Ch 142,23
Tuesday May 29th

First part of the day light wind from W.S.W. and fine weather, beating to the W.S.W. under all sail, 2 bargues in sight to the East, ice quite thick to the S.W. of us. At Sundown shortened sail, I went on board the Othello & spent the evening, latter part of the day light wind from S.W. and fine weather, At 4 in the morning saw several whale going W.S.W. lowered our boats & chased, marked a short distance to the West ice quite heavy & thick to the W.S.W., Saw white fish going W.S.W., green water, Saw quite plenty of sharp bills, Saw 4 ships to the East.

Lat by obs 56,58 Long by Ch 142,13
Wednesday May 30th

Fresh wind from S.S.W. and fine clear weather, First part of the day saw several whale going to the W.S.W. lowered the boats & chased, Othello chasing whales, ice thick to the S.W. of us, 4 ships in sight to the E. one of them a bailing, latter part of the day sailing through ice to the W.S.W., carrying reefed topsails, Stowed down 44 bbls of oil, Saw & chased 2 barrel fish, ice thick.

Lat by obs 57,00 Long by Ch 142,14