

To the North West of Jones Island

Thursday May 31st

Fresh wind from S.S.W and Clear weather, The first part of the day beat to the S.W. in a clear strip of water part of the time & laid aback part of the time, The Othello came up with us & Capt. Killmer came on board of us, Ice thick and heavy around, Latter part of the day, beating to the S. through strips of water & cutting ice, Othello to the S. of us, Saw a ship to the E.S.E. of us, On blue water again.

Lat 56° 04' 37" Long 142° 14' 33"

Friday (May) June 1st 1860

First part of the day fresh gale from S.S.W beating to the S. through the ice, Laid aback through the night, Latter part of the day light wind from S.S.W beating to the S.W. in the ice, Spoke the Othello, 5 ships in sight to the East, An old Swell from S.E. ice breaking up fast.

Lat 56° 04' 36" Long 142° 15'

Saturday (May) June 2nd

First part of the day light wind from S.S.W and good weather, beating to the S. through scattering ice, At 6 P.M. came out in to open sea, Saw about 10 ships beating to the S.W. along the ice, Ice not heavy, I went on board the Othello and spent the evening, Capt. Coofe came on board from the Maria Theresa & gave us the news from the fleet, 2 ships saw 3 whales, Latter part of the day light wind from S.S.W and fine weather, beating to the S.W. in company with about 10 ships along the edge of the ice, Capt. Joby of the Oregon came on board & took dinner with me, Dark green water.

Lat 56° 04' 38" Long 142° 33'

South West of Jones Island

Monday June 3rd

Fresh breeze from S.S.W and fine weather, beating to the S. under all sail, Saw about 20 ships along the ice, Saw some gimbachs. At 12 M. Jones Island bearing East 15 or 20 miles, I went on board the Phillip the first, got some toggle sticks.

Lat 56° 10' Long 143° 40'

Monday June 4th

First part of this day fresh breeze from S.W. and fine weather, beating to the S.W. carrying all sail, Several ships in company, At 8 P.M. got came to big ice & plenty of ships to the S.W. of Jones Island, No whales been seen for the last week, Latter part of the day fresh wind from W. and cloudy, Run off to the S.W. and came to the packed ice, None of the ships saw any whale, Saw plenty of grampoides & sharp bills, Killed a mess of sharp bills, Ships scattering around,

Lat 56° 04' 35" Long 141° 25'

Tuesday June 5th

First part of the day light wind from S.W. and fine weather, Steered to the S. through ice, carrying all sail, Saw the boom of Jones Island to the S.E., 20 sail in sight, Shortened sail at night, Had a snow storm through the night, Latter part of the day fresh breeze from W. & clear weather, In the morning set all sail and worked in to the ice, in company with the Prometheus, I went on board of her & got my luther wire, Several ships in sight, Heavy ice to the S. of us, the ice is opening in to the West in this latitude, Scattering ice to the North.

Lat 56° 04' 36" Long 142° 20'