

In the Mouth of Sailors Bay

Wednesday July 4th

Light S.E. wind the first of the day & fine weather, drifting around in the ice, some times fast to the ice & some times anchor on the bottom, latter part of the day light wind from S. and fine warm weather, several ships in sight to the S.E. of the ice, ice heavy up bay, & thinned about the ship, saw a Crow, Little Shanties, gut baring W.S.W. & Washington head baring S.S.W. the current sets strong to the East towards Jokers Bay or Old Mans head, heard several whale & white fish in thick ice towards Jokers Bay

Thursday July 5th

Light Southerly air and calm & smoky weather, ship lying in the ice with all sail furled. The ice has kept the ship close, in 20 fathoms water I wish I was out of this ice. Off the mouth of Sailors Bay

Friday July 6th

Light Southerly air & calm and warm, smoky weather, ship 8 miles N.E. of Murkay head in 15 to 17 fathoms water, current setting S.S.W. & S.E. ship closed fast with the ice, no prospect of getting up bay yet, set the sails on the foremast to blow the ship but could not, but finally hove her up to a big flake of ice and made her fast to the ice broke out some shoakers to set up, Cooper repairing water cask

Saturday July 7th

Light variable wind & calm, the sun shines through a thin fog, very warm day, anchored to the ice with the sails furled, latter part of the day broke in 5 cash water off the ice, saw the general Williams to the S.E. of us & another ship to the E. of us Murkay head baring S.W. distant 10 miles, 17 fathoms water, saw 2 whale going for Murkay Bay

Off Sailors Bay

Sunday July 8th

Light Southerly wind from the S. & calm through the day, trying to warp the ship to the E. S.E. so as to get out of Sailors Bay & get the current that runs in to Murkay Bay, the Onward, general Williams & Russian Barge are in the ice 4 miles off, had strong wind from West through the night, with rain, thunder & lightning, from 14 to 20 fathoms water, Murkay head baring S.S.W. distant 10 miles heard several whale around the ship last night some to her. been down how the last 3 or 4 days

Monday July 9th

Light Southerly wind and fine weather with some fog, trying to warp the ship to the E.S.E. out of this Sailors Bay ice, for the current sets us a round & around filed up 6 cash of fresh water & hove them in the club the boom, ice closed up so that we dont make much head way, looks like clear water to the E. & S.E. of us, general Williams W.S.W. of us, yesterday she bore 6 miles S.W. by S. of us, day before she bore 6 miles S.E. of us, will go on board the Onward, she got a big whale off Round Island, report the ships not doing well to the off shore Murkay head baring S.W. by S. & S.

Tuesday July 10th

First part of this day anchored to the ice, light wind from S. middle part to a breeze from N. set sail & worked to the E.S.E. for clear water latter part of the day light air from S.E. & thick weather, had thunder & lightning through in the morning, 11 1/2 fathoms head tide, anchored the ship & dragged her through the ice, got the boats ready to go up bay, at 11 o'clock fog cleared up, saw 5 ships & Murkay head baring W.S.W. distant 10 miles opened 1 all sail & 1 all back to carry up bay