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Saturday Dec 26th

This day begins with light winds from S.W. and clear weather employed in clearing up deck and started the fire works. The natives saw the schooner Trader freeze in Bear Sound cutting in a whail. Mid part much the same broke out a Parcel of Port. Later part wind hot. Much and cold.

Sunday Dec 27th

This day begins with light winds from S.W. and cold. Employed in trying out oil and slowing down mid part much the same. Two men from Brig Pioneer came down to blow the ice. Later part light air from W.

Monday Dec 28th

This day begins with light winds from S.W. clear weather. Employed in trying out oil. Finish at 2 p.m. Slowing down oil in the fore hatch. Slowing down came a lot. Mid part much the same. Saw whails in the young ice. Vulture walked to Black head Island saw plenty of whails and sea off shore. Later part light air and clear.

Tuesday Dec 29th

This day begins with light air and calm and fine weather. Employed in cutting ice and taking out. Schooner going to cut ice for a half a mile. Mid part much the same. The natives saw whails in the ice. Later part light winds from S.W. Saw a whail in the ice from the ship.

Wednesday Dec 30th

This day begins with light winds from S.W. and clear weather. Employed in cutting ice. The Capt of Brig Clara Pioneer and Schooner Grader came on board. Mid part much the same. Later part calm and fine weather. Saw whails in the ice. The blow through the ice five inches thick.

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Thursday Dec 31st

This day begins with light winds and calm employed in cutting ice. The Capt went on board of these vessels. Mid part much the same. Ice from 6 inches to 1 foot thick broke out from water and molasses. Later part calm clear beautiful weather ends this day.

Friday Dec 2nd

This day begins with light winds from S.W. thick weather employed in cutting ice very warm for this time of year. Clear water 3 miles from the ship. Mid part snowing fast. Ice 8 inches thick. Later part much the same. Cut 1200 feet of ice in length.

Saturday Dec 3rd

This day begins with fresh breezes from S.W. thick weather employed in cutting ice. Clear water inside of Black head Island. Mid part much the same. Later part light winds and going cold. Cut 1200 feet of ice. To day ice ten inches thick.

Sunday Dec 4th

This day begins with fresh breezes from S.W. thick weather cutting ice. Mid part much the same. Ice one foot thick. Cut 1000 feet to day. Later part strong breezes from S.W.

Monday Dec 5th

This day begins with light winds from S.W. and very cold employed in cutting ice. Mid part calm ice from ten inches to one foot thick. Later part much the same. Finish cutting ice. We cut about one mile and quarter.