

Polar Sea August 25 1853

Strong winds from the Northward and Westward with frequent squalls of hail and snow under double reefed topsails. Towed but without success. Saw a plenty of Bowheads. It sailed insight and towed a boiling. Saw two ships closed down. Lat by obs 67.22 N.

Long. Chron 16.11. W.

Friday Aug 26. Light Northwesterly winds with fair weather. A plenty of whales. Saw very shy of a boat. We towed but could not get near enough to fasten. Lat by obs 67.42 N.

Saturday Aug 27. Moderate winds from N. W. @ heading to and fro. We towed several times without success. At 11 A.M. the Bow Boat struck and by 1 P.M. had him alongside with fine weather.

Sunday Aug 28. Moderate winds from N. W. to N. employed in cutting in and finished at 6 P.M. at 7 A.M. commenced boiling. Towed for whales but without success. At 7 P.M. towed again and the Wais boat fastened and got him alongside at dark.

Monday August 29. Moderate winds from S. to N.E. with calms. Middle part some rain. Towed away but without success. At 11 A.M. commenced cutting and at 11 P.M. all through.

Tuesday August 30. Fine weather with fresh winds S. to E. under close reefed main topsail and foresail employed in stowing down. Towed down some fifty lbs.

Wednesday August 31. Fresh S. Easterly breeze with some rain. Ship under short sail. The rest of the time thick and hazy. Employed in boiling and stowing down. Towed down some eighty lbs. Lat by obs 67.58 N.

Long. Chron 16.16. W.

Thursday Sept 1. Light airs and calms with sun and fog. Employed in boiling and stowing down.

Friday Sept 2. Light airs and variables from S.E. to S.W. Finished boiling. At daylight run down some 150 lbs of oil. Towed once for whales but without success.

Saturday Sept 3. Light Northwesterly winds with fine weather employed in scraping bone.

Sunday Sept 4. Winds from N. W. to N. and E. to South. Middle part rain. Lammed with the Robt. Morrison and got a boat load of wood from him. Lat by obs 67.36 N.

Long. Chron 16.56

Monday Sept 5. Fresh gales from S. to S.E. @ heading S. to S.E. on one tack and