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Wednes. May 30th. First part fresh breezes from the Southward and come foggy Ship under easy Sail Coasting along the ice to the Northward and westward latter part light winds and pleasant employed in setting up Shooks in Co with the Ship. Surg. Kuch

Lat. by obs. 54-55 N. long. by Obs 143-50 E.

Thurs. May 31st. light variable Winds and fair working slowly to the Northward through the ships between the strips of ice in Co. with the S. Kuch Capt. Hachkiss came on board and made me quite a long visit stayed 5 hours the Cooper employed in setting up Shooks the Green conversely employed were the Gating gear and got it up &c. myself employed in Carpentering to the Flaghouse to pieces put up a vice bench, and built a platform behind the House

Lat. by obs. 55-55 N. long. by Obs. 143-40 E.

Friday June 1st. Light winds from the Southward the first part of the day Middle and latter part fresh breezes spoke the Ship Maria nothing this Season also Bark Alfred Dyer Co. dark and cloudy weather most of the time, off and on the ice several Ships in sight

Lat. by obs. 55-49 N. long. 144-11 E.

Saturday June 2nd. light winds from the Westward and thick fog most of the time spoke Ships Charles Carvel of Nantucket 4 whales this Season Harvest of So. 1 whale and Carolina of S. B. nothing a great number of Ships in sight one or 2 sailing, off and on the ice

Lat. 56-10 N. long. 143-48 East.

Sunday June 3rd. Moderate Winds from the Southward and most of the time thick fog spoke Ships Carolina of S. B. nothing this Season, Ship Levi Starbuck of So. So. Ship Manrova of So. 2 whales this Season saw a plenty of ice and no Whales ice seen from E. to South on the North and west from West head latter part winds from S. E. clear of ice from E. to S. making Boat take from ice to ice on both tacks

Lat. 56-21 N. Long 143-45 E.

Steward Gaining slowly
My Side gaining slowly also

Monday June 4th. First & Middle part fresh breezes from S. E. and thick fog most of the time Steering on different tacks and a part of the time lying with the Main yards aback at 4 Am. Steered to the S. W. by the wind with strong winds from S. E. at 8 Am. spoke the Ship C. W. Morgan 3 whales this Season thick weather and the day No obs.

Lat. by Arc. 55-45 N. long.

Tuesday June 5th. Commences with fresh breezes from S. E. Steering to the S. W. by the wind at 4 P. M. spoke the Ship Blas. Star of S. B. 1 Wh. this Sea. at 5 made the ice ahead thick fog wore Ship and shortened Sail, passing some large pieces of drift ice most of the time lying with the Main yards aback at Midnight saw large pieces of ice ahead put the helm up immediately and in the act of wearing Ship to keep clear of the ice suddenly struck the ice and injured the stem of the Ship, a considerable and also the bows of the Ship, can't tell how much as the damage done is principally under water but the stem of the Ship appears to be badly shaken tried the pump but soon found there was but a little water in the Ship latter part thick fog most of the time when it lighted up saw plenty of ice to the S. E. W. and a number of Ships in sight at noon spoke the Ship Coral nothing this Season No obs.

Wednes. June 6th. light winds from S. E. to S. and thick fog most of the time heading on diff. tacks under easy Sail lying aback a part of the time spoke Ship Thomas Dickerson of New Bedford sailing her 1st whale this season No obs.

Thurs. June 7th. light winds from S. W. and thick fog most of the time at 5 P. M. I lowered my Boat and went off a gunning at 7 returned to the Ship with 13 fowl, spoke the Ship Midas and bought 10 lbs. Potatoes at 2.50 per lb. plenty of Ships in sight and plenty of ice when the fog lighted at times and that not often No obs.

Friday June 8th. Light winds from S. E. to S. and thick fog nearly all the time lying on different tacks with Main of head yards aback nearly all the time when it lighted up at times seeing 20 Ships in sight, plenty of ice and no Whales No obs.

Reported about party from ship here and the weather not very clear & the men likely to be sick have seen many more ice & no sailing