

Bast. Bella Arctic Ocean 1862

Wednesday 13th Aug

13th Fine wind 15 N of E & E all the ships going to the N E at 8 started of E at 8 see a whale going to the

Leeward Landed & chased till close all the ships going off N E Middle past fine at 5 see whales

Landed struck killed Store & Boats hoisted in Boats at 10 took

along side in Leeward & made sail

Leeward off the ice at 11 went out on

Thursday 14th

14th Fine wind 15 N E heading E at 10 got through cleared decks & commenced boiling Middle past fine at 10 heading E about see whales

Refining Boat Boiling &c

Friday 15th

15th More wind N E Drying to a fine

see whales along the ice Landed

& went in 3 Boats struck Bomb

Landed Bombarded another lost in the

ice at 2 came on board Middle past

Strong gales double decked latter past

do very Dugged Refining Boat &c

Saturday 16th

16th Hard gales at N E broke to the E double decked Boiling setting up hooks, very

Dugged Middle past the same

Latter do very Dugged Boiling

Sunday 17th

17th Hard gales at N E heading E double decked Boiling very Dugged Middle past same Latter do worse to the E took in

fine top sail broke out Storing oil

after hold

Lat 68 55. S. 175 57

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Monday 18th Aug 1862

18th Hard gales at N E heading E Main top sail set very Dugged Storing oil at 12 knocked off Smoke sail took to the N E

thick fog & rain latter do Storing of Meat

Tuesday 19th

19th Calm heavy sea sun rising dense foggy at 10 light airs at 10 cleared decks all close, Boat filled the last ground fire Middle past same

fell on with the made all sail working of latter

past the same heading to the N

Wednesday 20th

20th Light airs from the N heading to the E calm & heavy swell. Sick nervous, oh god less me & return me to my family Middle past Mott at light sun of to the E see nothing stood to the E all sail set thoughts of home would thick on my mind

Thursday 21st

21st Mott wind N heading E N E all sail set Sick nervous, what shall I do my poor family will starve Middle past Strong gales double decked at 7 see a whale killed soon short tacks very Dugged did not lower see 2 whales

Friday 22nd

22nd Strong gales & Dugged wind N E lying too 1 ship in sight dark & gloomy days see 3 whales to Dugged to lower latter past the same see 2 whales

Saturday 23rd