

Friday May 7th 1858

Fresh breeze and clear weather from West
all sail set standing E by S, at 1 P.M. saw
sight and considerable ice, at 6 P.M.
spoke ship Siberia of New Bedford,
middle and latter part good weather, course
of ship E by S, the Siberia in company
lagging round after her, thus ends
Latitude 59° 26' North,

Saturday May 8th

Fresh breeze and cloudy from SSW all
sail set standing E by S, at 1 P.M. saw
some scattering ice about the Siberia
in company (goit while you are young)
at 3 wind shifted to SSE and clear up
saw the ice from SSE to NW, and
solid ice a little inside the last ice,
at 4:30 tacked to SSW at 5 gained with
the Siberia, at 6 snow storm, at 7
double reefed the Sails, and heeled S.W.
I do not like this beating round here,
to much snow and ice, and no whales,
follow that ship rapidly,
Middle part fresh breeze from SSW to
South, lay aback part of the time, more
ship three or four times, following the
ship at 3 A.M. had all sail set
Latter part moderate heading in E by S,
the ice in sight from South to E by N,
and I do not like the look of it, I expect
we shall humbug round here until we get
beaten in it at 8:30 thick fog upon ship,
head S.W. with head yards aback, changed pay
home company with the Siberia, at 10 got
out of this and I don't believe you will
beaten one again, gaming with the Siberia
thus ends Latitude 59° 13' North,

Sunday May 9th 1858

Fresh breeze and thick weather some times
snow from W by S, standing off W by S
to get round a large body of ice,
gaming with the Siberia, at 6 P.M.
upset to E by S, and double reefed the
Sails, I wish it was one month later
in the season, so there would not be quite
so much ice,
Middle part the same, lay aback all night.
Latter part moderate and thick, made sail
stayed by the wind East, at thick fog lay
aback thus ends,

Monday May 10th

Light wind from NW and thick fog,
lay aback, head W by S, at 4 lit up and
began to snow, braced full and down tacked
the Siberia in sight,
Middle part fresh breeze and snow squalls,
tacked a number of times during the night,
Latter part strong breeze and cloudy
cold weather, at 7 A.M. came up to ice
a ship about 1 mile wide worked through it
the Siberia in company, saw another
sail standing Westward, I call this a
hard place, to much ice for my fancy,
cold during weather, thus ends
Latitude about 59° 00' North,
Longitude ... 178° 00' West,