

Thursday May 20th 1858

Moderate breeze and cloudy ship
in the ice, it looks heavier than yesterday,
the *Siberian* in sight,
middle and latter parts clear, cold weather
and plenty of ice, with patches of water,
the watch sleeping here, thus ends, the
barometer falling, I hope we are not going
to have wind.

Latitude $59^{\circ} 42'$ N. lat.
Longitude $179^{\circ} 32'$ East

Friday May 21st

Moderate breeze and cloudy from WNW
much ice around, ship in clear spot
at present, of about 2 miles, gained with
the *Siberian*,
middle part the same,
latter part strong breeze and cloudy
from the same quarter, broke out the after
hole for shark heads, and sugar, thus ends,

Saturday May 22nd

Strong breeze and cloudy from WNW ship
in the ice and no hopes of getting out as I
see, broke out the fore hole for sharks
at 6 P.M. thick snow storm,
middle part about the same, at 10 more
ship to the Eastward,
latter part strong breeze and cloudy cold
weather, from the Westward, at 10 set sail
to try to work through the ice in to clear
water that is in sight to the Westward,
the *Siberian* in company, I shall be
glad when this ice goes away, hard stuff
to be amongst with a ship, thus ends,

Latitude about $59^{\circ} 20'$ N. lat.

Sunday May 23rd 1858

Strong breeze and cloudy, cold weather with
snow squalls at 2 P.M. got out side
the ice made sail and steered by the
wind W by N wind North the *Siberian*
in company considerable scattering ice
about,

middle and latter parts much the same,
at midnight tacked to ESE at 7 P.M. tacked
again to W by N at 8 P.M. set the top sail
working to the W, though the ice, or the
clear water amongst, we have just got out of
the ice but they do not appear to be satisfied
with that but must go in again, thus ends,

Monday May 24th

Strong breeze and cloudy cold weather from
W by N, all prudent sail set working to
the W, plenty of ice around, at 5 P.M.
thick fog, gained with the *Siberian*,
middle part much the same, with snow squalls,
latter part clear most of the time but very cold
all prudent sail set working to the North,
Cooper setting up sharks, tacking ship
about every half hour, and she hits some of
the ice much harder than she ought to,
as I think, perhaps I don't know, but that
is one thing I do know when I got clear of
the ice I should not come right in to it again
saw another sail to the South, the weather
is certainly colder than when we first came up
here, for water freezes in the middle of the
afternoon to day and mornings it is cold and no
mistake, but I hope for better times

Latitude $60^{\circ} 18'$ N. lat.
Longitude $179^{\circ} 40'$ East