

For my Ship it took me longer to get back than it did to go and I was just about blazed out when I got to the Ship. The crews are engaged in banking up the Ship some of the Native Ladies are out in the Native Gait which consists of Deer Skin & and a Short Skin Frock that comes just below the knees the Native women for it is an Artega the pants are cut with the legs quite loose and very full. All the articles are left open pretty well up on the sides I suppose that is so as the Ladies can get their hands in their pants pockets. Last night it was as clear and as beautiful a night as I have seen a night as you will ever see. The Stars & Moon making it all most as light as Day. At night the wind is shrieking & wailing as though it regretted that last night was so fine. Who would have thought a few years ago of Ladies wintering in the Arctic Ocean and seem to take pleasure in it but so it is. But it is a dreary looking landscape. Last year the Sun went out of sight on the 29th of November and came back the 13th of January. This world is all vanity and vexation of spirit. The Bible says but what the night will be who can tell if we can only do things by this world's people our chance in the next will be all but lost. So ends this 9th of November

Nov. 10.

This Day began with moderate westerly winds. Thermometer 2 below. After Breakfast took a walk up in the Ice Hill for exercise came back and went on board of the John & Winthrop a little while. Capt. Simmons learnt Mr. the Mines in Chess at three o'clock came on board. Weather looks dreary but it is moderate. Thermometer at Zero so ends this Day

Nov 11 This Day began with N.E. winds and a snow storm. Four Eskillick came in with Deer meat one came to our Ship & brought 297 lb of meat from them they are going to take letters for us nothing of importance transferred crew employed in Ship's duties. Ends & C

Nov 12 This Day began with a strong breeze and snow. Thermometer 2 below Zero in the afternoon cleared up with fine weather at night had a dance at the Company's house. A good time got home at one o'clock it was a beautiful morning at 4 A.M. it began to blow and at daylight it was a blizzard and at daylight blowing strong from N.W. at 9 o'clock Thermometer stood 3 below went on shore at 10 A.M. to help put the House to rights in the evening went on board of the Perry Freeman and came back 11.30 it was a terrible night it is a wild storm so ends

Nov 13 This Day began with a strong N.W. wind Thermometer 14 below it is just blowing a blizzard at one o'clock went on board of the Thresher while there a Boat Steerer came on board who had lost his way the night before while coming from the shore with his hands feet & face froze his feet were like stones and when he put his feet down they sounded like a hammer striking the Deck they put his hands & feet in Ice water and rubbed his face with Ice it took about an hour and a half to draw the frost out of his feet and hands it was drawn from his face easier than from his feet & hands in Room scraped Potatoes and put Witch Hazel on his face at 9 o'clock came on board (written under story) so ends this Day

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This Day began with light westerly winds Thermometer 19 below Zero. The Eskillicks left to Day and I am glad of it. The man that was frozen is very comfortable to Day. Banking Ship with snow. Little part very fine but cool so ends & C