

June 9th
1884.

Clear and warm. Bramard returned at 1:15 A.M. with 2 lbs. shrimps. I roasted all of the sealskin after breakfast. unable to walk but crawled to the fire. Gardiner is very weak. G.O. and Bridgwick picking lichens for dinner. Fredericks cooks. had shrimp stew and remaining roasted sealskin for dinner. Connell picking sapifrage to burn. We are on the point of starvation now and everyone is meeting their fate like men. Bridgwick's body was removed to the tidal crack. Long's birthday today. Every one of us much used up. I try G.O. about the strength of us. nothing but roasted fish and a cup of tea for dinner. Fredericks hardly able to arise and get breakfast. Dinner at 4 P.M. and Bramard and Long leave camp and return at 11 P.M. Bramard did not get any shrimps on account of the ice having gone away and Long had seen only a few clucks.

June 10th
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Cloudy and cold with the wind from W. Ellison expressed a wish that his bones should go to U.S. to some museum. Gardiner was taken sick with inflammation of the bowels. Bridgwick, G.O. and myself pick lichens for the evening stew. which consists of lichens and a cup of tea. Long and Bramard left camp after dinner and the latter returned at 11:30 P.M. with 2 lbs of shrimps. Connell is picking sapifrage to burn. Sea leaves in bottles the second time for tea. Everyone is getting weaker especially myself. I am barely able to crawl. Fredericks is doing the work around the camp but he says he is failing fast. Bridgwick does remarkable work. Long returned at 1 P.M.

with Bramard the former had killed a goose and a dovekie. but had been unable to get only the dovekie. Which was raised to them extra. Bramard was able to get only one pound of shrimps.

June 11th
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Clear. got the light west wind goes through one. I had a stool that weakened me so that I was unable to pick lichens. G.O. unable to pick any. Long returned at 1:30 P.M. with 2 black guillemots one of which was ordered in the night stew the other as extra rations for the hunters and cook. Bridgwick alone is picking lichens. Connell got the sapifrage. Long and Bramard left camp after dinner. The condition of Gardiner is bad. He cannot pass his bowels. and Bridgwick says he must surely die soon. I feel he must. Fredericks is doing the cooking. Bramard and Long left camp after dinner.

June 12th
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Clear and warm. Long and Bramard returned at 12:45 A.M. The latter had the bad fortune to lose his net by the floor moving out. therefore we had only tea for breakfast. and nothing else. A flag was put up on the hill by Bramard. Connell and G.O. had a dispute this morning showed disposition to gather food for himself. Poor Gardiner died at 11 A.M. from inflammation of the bowels and starvation. He will be buried in the ice foot as it is seen the rest of the bodies are unmoved with every light wind and are thus laid bare. Long did not get any game last night. I sewed on a shrimp's net today but I had to be helped up in the bed. I feel myself going rapidly. G.O. Bridgwick