

The water was already on the land between this ravine and the floe; fortunately I found there a cart. I put my sledge on this cart to reach the floe, leaving it on the edge of the floe.

The weather, very foggy, prevented us to be seen by the ships, where I arrived at 1h. p.m.

In conclusion, allow me, Sir, to express my gratitude for the confidence that you have placed in me; I feel proud to serve under such officers, and with such men. It is also a source of much pleasure to me in being enabled to mention the zeal and good conduct of all the men placed under my command. Everybody has done his duty, and if one of them is missing, I am happy to say that he died gloriously.

I join to my journal some sketches which will, perhaps, add a little interest to the conciseness of my narrative; and my only regret is that I had not more opportunities of exercising my pencil.

Having broken by accident my thermometer, I have been able to register the temperature only for the time that I was in company with Commander M'Clintock.

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ABSTRACT.

Number of Days - - - - -	{ Out - 29 days Home - 16 }	45 days.
Total hours travelled - - - - -	{ Out - 221 h. 35 m. Home - 140 h. 30 m. }	362 h. 05 m.
Total distance travelled - - - - -	{ Out - 190½ miles Home - 191 }	381½ miles.
Total hours encamped and luncheon	{ Out - 356 h. 20 m. Home - 223 h. 15 m. }	579 h. 35 m.
Detained by bad weather - - - - -	- - - - -	170h.
Mean rate of travelling per day -	{ Out - 7 m. 6. Home - 12 m. 7. }	9 m. 5.

REMARKS ON PROVISIONS.

The allowance of three quarters of a pound of bread not quite sufficient; one pound would be ample.

The pemmican is undoubtedly the best meat for travelling; is substantial, and has the advantage to cook very quick. Three quarters of a pound instead of one pound, with one ounce of bread dust, would be sufficient.

Half a pound of pork would be ample.

The fuel quite sufficient.

Tea before rest in cold weather should be very good.

REMARKS ON BEDDING AND CLOTHING.

I should prefer, instead of the buffalo robe and the Macintosh coverlet, a felt robe and a felt coverlet. The buffalo robe became stiff and very heavy, and sometimes the Macintosh coverlet lined with blanket is so hard that it is impossible to spread it.

Mocassins are far better than any boots for travelling in cold weather, and when there is no water on the floe. I found sealskin mocassins with the hairs outside and a walrus sole answered admirably.

Duck jumper and trowsers ought to be soaked in water and well washed before leaving the ship; it will prevent the ice collecting inside.

DAILY ALLOWANCE.

One pound of pemmican and a quarter of a pound of bacon, or three quarters of a pound of preserved meat and three quarters of a pound of bacon.

Three quarters of a pound of bread.

One ounce of bread dust, or two ounces of potatoe.

Quarter of an ounce of tea and half an ounce of sugar, or one ounce and a quarter of Moore's chocolate and a quarter of an ounce of sugar.

One gill of rum.

Three ounces of tobacco weekly.

One pound stearine and one pint alcohol. Deficiency of fuel to be made up by fat of bacon, preserved meat, and tallow out of preserved bacon tins.