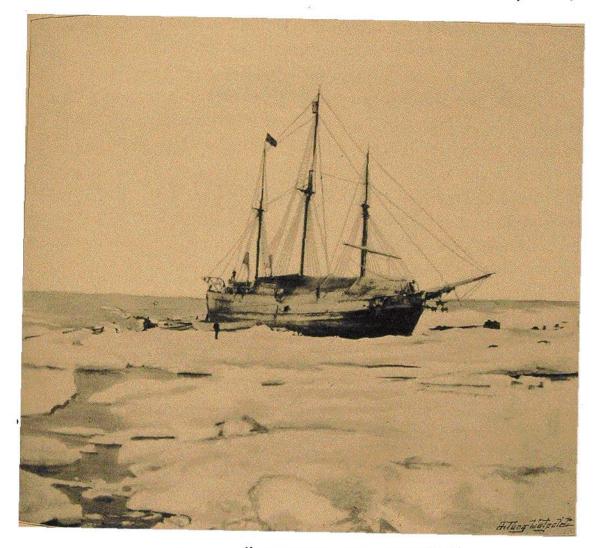
but the hole quickly filled with water, so we left it to the summer heat to thaw the pipe loose.

So much water commenced to accumulate in the engine-room about this time that we had to bale out considerable quantities \_\_certainly 130 gallons per day. We at first thought that the water was produced by the thawing of the ice on board, but it



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<sup>subsequently</sup> appeared that it was mainly due to leakages, which probably arose from the fact that ice forming in the different <sup>layers</sup> of the ship's skin forced the planking somewhat apart.

The state of health continued excellent, and the doctor had virtually nothing to do in his professional capacity. In the way