

About North Shore of S W Bay 1859

" Sunday June 19th
Commenced with rainy weather. At anchor off Big Shantar Island in 20 fathoms water. At 4 P.M. took our anchor and stood off shore Round Island on the S.W. bearing spoke Bark Oscar of Mattapoisett. Cashed this season. Middle part working to windward of Shantar Island. Latter part running along Shantar Island steering West under all sail.

" Monday 20th
Commenced with a light breeze blowing N by E on the wind. Thickened on the S.W. beam a sail in sight on the weather bow. Middle & Latter parts the same. Thick foggy weather.

" Tuesday 21st
Commenced with thick weather. Beating about the mouth of S W Bay. A bark on the weather beam with boats down. Middle part calm & foggy. Latter part the same. 4 boats down chasing whales did not get near them. Wind light. Whales going up the bay quick. 4 sail in sight chasing whales.

" Wednesday 22nd
Commenced with a light breeze from the S.W. beating up the bay. 3 sail in sight. Raised one whale going up the bay. Quick did not lower. At 8 P.M. came to an anchor with a head tide. At 3 A.M. took our anchor and beat up to Striped Bluff. Found 11 whales lying at anchor in Morrisons Harbour. Spoke Bark Fanny coming out at 9 A.M. kept off again wind S.W. steering E & N.E. weather thick. Whales scarce. Bound to Laghavin Gulf.

Bound to Laghavin Gulf 1859

" Thursday 23rd June
Commenced with a light breeze from the S.W. steering E & N.E. under all sail. Spoke Bark John Wells lying at anchor. Bark Oliver Cloud cutting a large whale. Middle & Latter parts a light breeze steering E & N.E. by E.

" Friday 24th
For these 24 hours a light breeze from the S.W. steering E & N.E. by E under all sail. A bark off Star beam at 9 A.M. raised the land on the Star beam. Wind light. Weather thick.

" Saturday 25th
Commenced with a light breeze from the S.W. steering E & N.E. by E under all sail. 1 sail in sight. Land on the Star beam. Middle part a light breeze from the S.E. steering by the wind to the E. Latter part the same.

" Sunday 26th
For these 24 hours a strong breeze from the S.E. and thick weather. Working up the Gulf at 6 A.M. raised the ice on the weather beam. At 8 A.M. sighted Cape Maria bearing E by S distance 20 miles. A number of California Gulls in sight.

" Monday 27th
Commenced with a light breeze trying to work up the Gulf. Cape Maria on the Star bow 15 miles distant. Middle part a fine breeze from the S.W. steering S.W. under easy sail. Latter part a thick fog. Beating about the Gulf nothing doing. 2 sail in sight.

" Tuesday 28th
At 3 P.M. came to anchor in 18 fathoms water. A thick fog. Middle & Latter parts the same. At anchor. 2 ships at anchor 1 mile distant.