

Journal of the Ship Mary Frazier of 1858
Monday June the 28

This day commences with fine
Breezes from ESE & Ships in sight sundown
the same Minicoff Island bearing 11 miles East
Mid part Calm later part at 1 PM lowered three
boats and went on shore on the Island of Minicoff
12 Miles East saw nothing Calm
this ends the day

Tuesday June the 29
from NE at 5 PM this day commences light Breezes
the boats came on board and soon
nothing spoke the Bark Antelope of Newport
sundown the same Mid and later parts light
from S to E breaking out Water
this ends the day
Lat 54 33 N

Wednesday June the 30
This day commences with calm
sent 3 Boats in the Sea to look for Whales went
within 3 Miles of the Island of Minicoff could
not go any nearer for Sea sundown came on board
Calm Mid and later light Breezes from WNW
Sea and 4 Ships in sight this ends the day

Thursday July the 1
This day commences with calm
sent 2 Boats in Shore through the Sea to look
for Whales saw nothing at 4 PM came on board
light breeze from ESE Mid and later parts
Smart breeze from W and thick fog
this ends the day

Friday July the 2
This day commences with calm sounded
and got 38 fathoms of Water cleared up some saw the
Land to the SW 10 miles East sundown light from
SE Mid Calm and fog later part Clear mid fine
breeze from W steering to the SE along the Sound into
Saghalien Bay this ends the day

Saturday July the 3
This day commences with calm at 3 PM
Lowered the Boats to tow the Ship out of the Sea
saw a number of California Gray sundown light Breezes
from ESE Mid and later parts strong Breezes from
SW at 11 PM saw the Land on the Saghalien shore
Lat 54 03
this ends the day

New Bedford Capt John Bond in the Reliance 1858
Sunday July the 4

This day commences with strong Breezes
from SW at 3 PM Sounded and found 15 fathoms of
Water the Land from 15 to 20 miles distant tacked ship
and stood the W at 5 PM Double reefed the Topsails
sundown the same Mid part moderate later part
strong from S at 3 PM saw the Land on the West
Side of the Bay 3 Ships at Anchor 4 Cruising
Lat 54 45 N
this ends the day

Monday July the 5
This day commences with strong
Breezes from SW at 3 PM Saw a Whale one rising
called him a Bohemian at 4 PM Double reefed
the Topsails saw another Whale once at 5 PM
thick off to the W sundown light Breezes
from S scattering Sea in sight to the W
Mid part light later Calm at 9 PM anchored in
12 fathoms of Water 5 other Ships in sight three
Anchored & Cruising one Boiling this ends the day

Tuesday July the 6
This day commences with light Breezes
from W at 12 PM got underway with turn of tide
Working Northward 3 PM fog sundown the same
light Breezes from SW scattering Sea on the W
Shore Mid and later parts Calm and thick fog
this ends the day
W this day commences with light Breezes from E
scattering Sea in sight sundown fine and clear
the Land 15 miles East to the S Mid and later parts
strong Breezes and thick fog from ESE at 4 PM
Double the Topsails this ends the day

Thursday July the 8
This day commences with strong
Breezes and thick fog at 3 PM cleared up shores
off to the Westward at 5 PM saw the Island of Minicoff
at sundown passed about 6 miles to the W of it
with fine breeze from SE Mid part Calm later
part at 8 PM Minicoff 16 miles East bearing E
thick fog came on saw scattering Sea moderate
Breezes from SE at noon spoke the Bark
Antelope had been in thick fog for 6 days
this ends the day