

Journal of the Ship Mary Grazer of 1858
Sunday August the 2

This day commences with fine weather start
and Lark boats gone in the sea at 6 PM the West and bow
boats came on board after a 3 day cruise without success
at 8 the other boats came on board the Lark boat went
on W to A whale land hauled her but did not get fast heavy
fog later part plenty of Whales the bow struck and saved
a small whale this ends the day

Monday August the 3

This day commences with fine weather
boats all in the sea Whaling succeed two Whales but did not
fasten to them the sea being too heavy at 8 PM came on
board at 10 PM lowered again at 11 PM Lark boat struck
a whale the Harpoon and lost him at 11 PM the bow
boat struck and the towline parted the whale went
off with two iron and 20 fathoms of line also missed a
large whale from the bow boat this ends the day

Tuesday August the 4

This day boats off in the sea at 4 PM
the West boat struck a large whale and drew from him
much part the boat stopped on board off the Manuel
Cortez later part thick fog saw one whale and
heard a few more this ends the day

Wednesday August the 5

This day commences with thick fog at
8 PM the boats came on board mid and later part
calm and thick fog at 3 PM two boats went off
at 4 got underway bound down the Bay the bows
and started off duty with renewal this ends the day

Thursday August the 6

This day commences with light breeze
from NE at 7 PM the boats came on board had seen
a large body of Whales going to the E & quick out
of the Bay at 7 PM anchored about 10 miles W off
Point Richard head at 3 PM the boats went off
later part calm and clear this ends the day

Friday August the 7
Saturday August the 8

This day commences with calm and
clear weather mid and later parts the same the
boats off this ends the day

This day commences with calm and
thick fog at 2 PM 2 boats came on board had
seen two Whales in three days the bow boat off
in the fog at 8 PM 2 boats went off down the Bay
this ends the day

Sunday August the 9

This day commences with moderate breeze
from N later part strong from N because two boats
of breast from Burke Manuel Cortez this ends the day

Monday August the 10

This day commences with strong breeze
from N saw a number of Whales down the Bay
mid and later parts the same this ends the day

Tuesday August the 11

This day commences with a moderate
gale from S the boats all on shore later part
fine weather the ships got underway to find
the boats this ends the day

Wednesday August the 12

This day commences with calm at
4 PM the boats came on board without success
after a four days cruise at 9 PM anchored again
at 11 PM got underway again bound to S Bay light
breeze from S this ends the day

Thursday August the 13

This day commences with light breeze
from W at 3 PM calm anchored again about 5 miles
south from Fikelester 15 ships in sight at 4 PM
sent off two boats at 9 PM got underway and
worked towards S Bay this ends the day

Friday August the 14

This day commences with calm at
3 PM anchored about 6 miles SE of Elbow Island at 8 PM
got underway again with light breeze from E later
thick fog at 10 PM the boats came on board had seen
one whale this ends the day