

Journal of the Ship Mary Fraser of 1859
Tuesday June the 1

this day commences with strong breezes from S
saw one solitary Furback going with tears in his
eyes as large as grandsons it is a dark look around
here just now mid and later parts the same
saw 17 Ships and a small parcel of Ice
this ends the day

Lat 55 59 N Long 41 51 E
Wednesday June the 8
this day commences with moderate breezes from
SSE at 7 PM saw one Bottled & Boats chasing
of him mid and later parts light from SSE
at 4 AM saw and lowered for a Whale without
success 16 Ships in sight 2 Boats
this ends the day

Lat 55 49 N
Thursday June the 9
this day commences with light breezes from SSE
plenty of Ice and few Whales mid and later part
light breezes and calm 7 Ships looking
this ends the day

Lat 55 43 N
Friday June the 10
this day commences with fine weather and light
breezes from SW to SSE 20 Ships in sight
mid and later parts light breezes from SW
and fine weather cruising through
scattering Ice spoke the Ship Empire two
Whales this season this ends the day
Lat 55 31 N 42 35 E

Saturday June the 11
this day commences with light breezes from SW
19 Ships in sight and no Whales mid and later
light breezes from W and fine weather
this ends the day

Lat 55 16 N Long 43 10 E
Sunday June the 12
this day commences with light breezes from W saw
Cape Elizabeth 40 miles distant scattering Ice and no Whales
at 6 PM came on thick fog the wind W mid part from
E and thick fog later part saw some California
Grays the Harbor struck one and killed him
Lat 54 57 N this ends the day

New Bedford Capt John Rounds 1859
this day commences with strong breezes from SSE
cutting a California Gray got foul of Ice and
some of the head being scattering Ice mid part
strong breezes later part moderate and foggy from SSE
this ends the day

Thursday June the 14
this day commences with moderate breezes from SSE
at 7 PM sounded and got 30 fathoms of Water
suppose to be off Cape Mariah 15 or 20 miles distant bearing
S mid and later parts light breezes and foggy from
SSE to W at 6 AM 30 fathoms of Water and scattering
Ice this ends the day

Wednesday June the 15
this day commences with light breezes from SSE
at 6 PM 28 fathoms of Water cleared up some
saw Cape Mariah about 15 miles distant bearing SSE
mid part light from SSE later part moderate
scattering Ice to the SSE breaking out Water and foggy
this ends the day

Thursday June the 16
this day commences with strong breezes from SE
saw some California Gray and lowered the bow
boat struck one took him alongside and commenced
to cut him a 7 PM finished cutting saw to bark
mid and later parts strong breezes from SE at 4 PM
saw Cape Elizabeth 40 miles distant bearing SSE
Lat 54 58 N this ends the day

Friday June the 17
this day commences with strong breezes from
SE at 6 PM Cape Elizabeth bearing SE 20 miles
distant Cape Mariah 25 miles distant bearing SE by W over
Ice mid and later part strong breezes from SE
at noon Cape Mariah bearing SSE 25 miles distant
this ends the day

Saturday June the 18
this day commences with strong breezes SE and
Rain Storm saw three BOWHEADS lowered and
never saw them again at 7 PM thick Rain Storm in
20 fathoms of Water mid part moderate and Rain Storm
later part the wind shifted to WNW thick and Rain
25 fathoms Water this ends the day