

Bark Mary Frazier of New Bedford

Thursday Dec 31st 1143
Begins with moderate gale from East
With weather clearing ship under close reef
Topsails & staysails on the Southern tack
At 3 P.M. Lat 31:16 Long 158:36 At 4 P.M.
Saw the Island, bearing S.E. distant 30 miles
Middle part Wind & weather the same latter part
Moderated to strong Wind & heavy swell
Made all reasonable sail beating up to the
Land, the Island in sight bearing S.E. 30
miles distant Lat 31:14 Long 158:40

Friday Jan 1st 1144
Begins with strong Wind from S.E. & hauled
some to the Westward ship under all sail
working up to the Land At 7 P.M. close in to
the Land, but too late to send a Boat on shore
shortened sail & stood off W.S.W. Wind South
good breeze & clear weather. Middle part same
latter part moderate breeze from South to S.W.
With fine weather At 7 A.M. got up to the Land
sent two boats on shore with a small raft for
water, and one boat for potatoes & other recruits

Saturday Jan 2nd 1145
Begins nearly calm ship under all sail
standing off shore, got off a few potatoes and
Onions At dark the boats came off without
the raft having been all day filling it.
Middle part Wind sprang up from North
latter part had increased to moderate gale
with thick Rainy weather ship on Western tack
under storm sail

Sunday Jan 3rd 1146
Begins with Wind hauling to Westward and
Weather clearing At 2 P.M. the Island in sight
bearing S.E. distant 20 miles At dark clear
weather light breeze from W.S.W. Middle & latter
parts variable Winds with good weather
Cruising about 20 miles from the Land

John S. Nye, Master, On Middle Ground, 1875

Monday Jan 4th 1147
Begins with moderate breeze from S.W. with fine
weather ship under all sail Cruising At 4 P.M.
Lat 31:59 Long 158:48 being about 15 miles from
Howes Island, heading West saw a Steamer
supposed to be a Government cruiser, as she
altered her course, took a look at us, and then
kept away on her course again. Middle & latter
parts, nearly Calm, steering towards the Island

Tuesday Jan 5th 1148
Begins with good breeze from S.E. with good
weather ship under all sail steering N by E.
At 4 P.M. ship close in with the Land, found a
heavy swell setting into the Bay, no signal
for landing. Wore ship, and stood off shore, to
the S.W. At dark 15 miles from the Land, still
heading off shore. Middle part Wind the same
latter part Wind hauled more to the Eastward

Jan 5th 1875
This morning, at about 7 o'clock, Joseph
Lopez, Seaman, struck, very severely,
Seaman, a blow on the head, with a billet
of wood, knocking him senseless on the
Deck, he was carried off and attended to
as well as possible under the circumstances
sent a boat on shore for the Captain, who
came off as soon as possible, and bled the
man, which seemed to revive him some
but he still lay in a dangerous state
Confined Joseph Lopez in Drou, for safe
keeping

Latter part sent two boats
on shore for the raft of water and another
for potatoes and other recruits
So ends