

Monday December 25th 1848
 An English East Indiaman. It was the
 Madagascar of about three hundred
 tons with a number of passengers from the East
 Indies her principal cargo was sugar she
 touched at St Helena last she belonged to one
 was 10 mo. from London and to London three of these
 men passengers came on board of us they were singular
 looking subjects they had long mustaches one
 of them stood about 5 feet 11 inches with legs
 like a hair and a body like a greyhound
 neck like a goose and a head resembling a
 baboon. P.M. the rain that there was but little
 done except to hitch in water etc

Tuesday December 26th 1848

Small breezes and changeable weather breeze
 S.E. head as we can P.M. ceased of the rain
 to the main rigging A.M. making spun
 yarn etc

Wednesday December 27th 48

These 24 hours small breezes and squally
 course S.E. P.M. breakout for apples at work
 in the rigging

Thursday December 28th 48

These 24 hours fresh breezes and clear
 course S.W. A.M. Jib stay parted
 got up some new rigging commenced to
 take it a part

Friday December 29th 1848

These 24 hours fresh breezes and clear weather
 course S.W. by S ship leaked 1250 lbs
 P.M. Drawing and noting yarns for making a
 new stay A.M. finished the stay all but
 making

Saturday December 30th 48

These 24 hours fresh breezes and changeable
 breeze S.W. by S ship leaked 1580 lbs
 A.M. served the jib stay the whole length
 and leathered it A.M. mended the jib and
 finished the stay ready to bend out at 6
 o'clock A.M. raised humpbacks set up the
 jib stay and bent the jib saw a big break
 out for reef

Sunday December 31st 48

These 24 hours fresh breezes and clear weather
 course S.S.W.

P.M. saw a ship the crew came off and urged
 the captain to go in port to repair the ship
 broke out for the main top sail put it back
 and broke out for the fore top sail sent down
 maintop sail and bent the new fore top sail in
 its place broke out for port A.M. saw a ship

Mon January 1st 1849

These 24 hours fresh breezes and clear
 breeze S.S.W. leak increases

P.M. saw a ship A.M. bent the fore and
 main spencers altered the fore and put it
 to the main same a sail