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And 6th killed one of our largest dogs today
I should say he would weigh nearly if
not quite 400 and all the cost was
one dollar and ninety cents. Took out
a sack of bread and 6 lbs of potatoes
struck his potatoes from the Martingale
but both got away. A good strong
wind about 4 p.m. as it was
the kind of chilly sand haze the
old man was not able to take, the wind
for 3 days past came N by W

While the sand grain only blowing in
a little all the time and is hauling
apparently for for in have traced the
yards, the old man is carrying said the
I think it is not safe. The main Royal
set and it is blowing a gale of wind
two men at the wheel and they cannot
begin to keep her straight - she luffs up
and in the while and a sea will strike
her and make over on Deck many
drumming all hands. at 4 P.M. Working
out - have down staysails & ches up
Main Royal before 6 past 6 very sail in
the ship was I think kept Main Royal
which was also raised. and it was blowing
a little heavier the wind had
hauled Drad a head & it was a regular
Norther kept it fasted not as long
we got all hands below but five men
until it should moderate which it did
about 3 in the morning the watch met
on Deck and made sail

There is a very heavy gale on but the wind
has all left yet but a moderate coming
from just the way we want to go and
it is a useful cold. I have on a heavy
woolen jacket (Bra) which might do the

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8th two thick mowed shots. pants Drains
many boots stockings &c only two days
ago on more laying around deck
sanitized and cotton shirts and more
plenty more. The old man has spoken
to us fellows that talk about not to
use any tobacco get good trial to the wheel
several times for he has frequently seen
old Rogers and tobacco pipes lying
around the quarter deck and he is
somewhat particular it does not suit
him. He told us months ago if he
saw any more of it and he will not
find out what did if he would punish
all that showed the wind. The old
ships Carpenter and gilding a
How keep under the wheel house the
afternoon. the old man happened to hold
my air and he saw about 500 old Rogers
stood away to dry things. He started
forward and the other watch said you
could not see the birds for the dust
any watch men all turned in our Bunk
bring our watch below. but he soon
routed us. come here and you that about
tobacco after getting on Deck he made
us get sand & draw water & go to
work & scrub all around that wheel
house for some 2 hours. the wind and
water was awful cold on my hands
& arms and I have not had a chew
in since nor do not mean to soon

For several days past we have had
nothing to do. No Orskahips have any work
done after they get in cold weather
absolutely necessary. A clear beautiful morning
and the sun shines out bright. and warm
Drad caton so that it is quite pleasant and