

Wednesday June 11th 1856

1274

It is now 10 o'clock and I have just finished wash
my chest by moon light not having time to do so by sun
light. The watch have been very busy washing ship and the
carpenter with 3 others have been hard at work planing
deck and have not finished yet. Weather still very pleas
ant light from the E. by S. Steering W. N. by W.
Lat 24. 15 N. Long 70 W.

Thursday June 12th

1275

Fine weather with a light breeze from the same quarter
that it has been for the last 3 or 4 days not having
shoated a brace or sheet or tack for that length of time
The watch very busy washing ship and spare spars
Finished planing deck and washed it and got every
thing ready for painting bulwarks in the morning
Lat 26. 05 N.

Friday June 13th

1276

Such a rush of paint was never seen on board of
one ship. Immediately after breakfast all the
hands hurried with their paint buckets and brushes outside
and painted outside as low as the 2nd tier when white
break. The Captain delt out the paint and stood
to keep loafers from getting against it before it was
dry. Wind very light from the E. by S. Steering W. N. by W.
Sun uncomfortably warm I continue to labor on the
Captains tubs Lat 27 36. N. Saturday June 14th

1277

The same beautiful weather, wind from the same
direction and the only difference is it is a little
lighter and all hands are wishing a speedy
increase. The ship looks pretty enough to
be seen in any port particularly that of N. B.
and we have all been out long enough to make
a friendly visit agreeable to 2 Bros. today
Finished painting at noon and since that
hands have been a laying about deck in the
watch below or at more than one
Saturday on this voyage
Lat 28. 27 N.

Sunday June 15th 1856

1278

What we suppose to be our last sabbath of the voyage
has passed still we may be disappointed. The wind
has been light from the S. and very pleasant and
we have had but little to do but think of home and
talk of what we shall do if we live to get there
Finished reading "The Way to do good" by Jas. C.
Abbott I think it a good work and well to be followed
Lat 30. 02 W.

Monday June 16th

1279

Very busy times. The watch used the forenoon in taking
up spare spars. Had all hands in the afternoon
painting the outside of the ship from the white streak
to the red where the water did not reach it.
At sunset had a squall with rain from the W. so we
took in studding sails but it is now aft again
though light. Exchanged signals with a brig
to the westward. Finished the Captains 5 work tubs
and made him a brass chest key and am now
ready to take the ship down and hook the
leather. Had the last grand show down in
my chest this evening and it is too late to spend
more time in writing. Lat 32. 11 W.

Tuesday June 17th

1280

Before breakfast had a heavy tempest with
rather more than a gale breeze and after
that light and baffling winds prevailed some
times ahead, at others fair. Course W. N. by W.
Cleared out my little ship, picked up and stowed
away the tools and hid "scrimsawring" good by
Lent two hail. Lat 33. 40 W.

Wednesday June 18th

1281

Wind light but fair some squalls of rain
Lent a board of the English brig
Lark and got a passage of papers
She was 8 days from N. B. bound to
Bermuda with a load of cattle
Covered the water desk and
and dand nearly all the forenoon a hard job and not very
necessary. Lat 35. 07 W.