

Ship's Journal

Sunday Dec the 24<sup>th</sup> 1848  
Strong trades first part  
wind N to at sundown set in  
in sail & luffed for the wind  
on the S back to the Northward  
at 6 1/2 a m put her away again  
N to by 10 1/2

Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas  
Strong trades steering N to by 10  
at sundown luffed for the N to  
at 6 1/2 a m put her off N to  
I this day opened my cask  
and found it in an excellent state  
as fresh and sweet to all appearance  
as it was when put up. I fear  
it is better, when you and Cousin  
Mary, was making it - and requesting  
me not to open it until Nov  
was a year out, and providing  
that I should have a thousand  
lbs of oil I myself thought that  
we should have much more than  
we have, but I do believe that  
your prayers and good wishes, and  
those of my friends will get rest  
upon this, it is pleasant and at  
the same time melancholy to have such  
things to call forth pleasant remembrances  
of those friends most dear to us, and  
those that feel a deep interest in  
our spiritual and temporal welfare  
So ends this Christmas

Cruising on the Line

Tuesday Dec the 26<sup>th</sup> 1848  
Strong trades first part Bent an old  
main regulant sail for a cruising  
sail. Latter part broke out for  
water during N to

Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup>  
first part Employed in breaking  
for water casks & so Repair at  
sundown luffed for on the S back  
under close Reefed top sail  
at 6 1/2 a m put her off N to  
Employed in "Repairing" casks

Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup>  
Strong trades steering N to

Friday the 29<sup>th</sup>  
Strong trades at 1 P m raised  
a sail at 2 P m saw spoke of  
it was the Alpha of Sanbuckett  
30 months 1100 T. Oil Capt Folger  
in light came on board  
of us at 9. Returned to our  
own ship saw Pen Dack

Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup>  
fine weather steering N to  
the other ship will be in  
company at 3 P m Capt his Law  
& 3rd went on board the other  
ship at 8 P m Returned to ship  
latter part broke out for  
bread the other ship in company

Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup>  
fine weather steering N to the N  
the Alpha in company