

washed of as usual got the Paint ready for the
Painting of the two Luster Boats turned them
over Strapping Guy Blocks to the Cutting Blocks
and with these plenty of Dolphin ground did
not forget to get through with the
the others force steering W by S

Dec 9th Nothing doing aboard ship dead calm but fine
weather the second mate got bit by a Bushy Tanager
in two places this evening the Capt shot him three
times over board traced the birds fine weather but we
were forced up ship here stuck rather of a sail
in night one ship showed for her it proved to be
the *Procteronia* Capt Lane of *Ship Bedford* 1820ms 1100

Dec 10th Nothing doing this day in plenty of Dolphin caught
none the Boat came aboard stood a fine Leeward
Tacks aboard all sail set - washed of got the Stop
Chest up and distributed the Capt in about three
miles of us to landward got the *St. Jere* top sail
to work at Painting the Boats & hull

Monday Dec 11th 1848 Lat 48.59

Had some rain, set up the sail in a heavy
squall took in light but wind died away again
Dead calm light night just before day break had
a breeze of spring up from the N. E. steering W by N
that night it is light rather heavy can not see
more than two or three miles Distinctly there
is every heavy swell from westward think the

has been a heavy blow somewhere by the sea and
think that it is in motion toward the East
Tuesday 12th Dec 1848

Putting some nettles in the main rigging as well as
the top mast nothing doing this day the Capt sold
the last of his Pots and Pans this day the Cook is
better gone to duty this day most of them have got
over the Quarters only one having them now but
one of the hands is very sick with the Dysentery
can find nothing to help him as yet there is a good
of them with bad colds caused by sleeping on deck
squeezed in hand down. The furber it good
there no rain most of the men caulking stand
back out every night there is a here for fear we
sneak away with our selves so expect plenty
of small Fish around and but few Birds to be seen
here except a few of the Gulls

Wednesday 13th Dec 1848 Lat 48.09
With the yards square gave here steering W
of W very little going on kept a light a point
to the Westward had some rain - good breeze
was red of this morning to both setting up the
stays and sprandy plenty of small Fish
around broke out for water