

December St. John's Newfoundland 1779

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Wednesday 15. Cloudy with a little snow am -  
pm - wind freshens at NW - fair & cold - -

Thursday 16 - Fair & very cold blows hard at W  
aboard all day

Friday 17. Fair - cold - blows hard at NW - took  
off the last of my Fish being 44 hds in ball.  
The cargo is also all aboard to day -

Saturday 18 Fair - moderate wind Wly - 1 Transport  
sailed for N.F. - 1 ship for W Indies -

Sunday 19 - Cloudy - moderate - little wind  
to the E ward - toward night small rain  
on board all day -

Monday 20 Cloudy - moderate. Wind NW  
aboard all day -

Tuesday 21. Cloudy - misty - rainy - very little wind  
N.Ely - aboard all day -

Wednesday 22 Fair - pleasant - as all fair weather is  
in this place - Wind W ly -

Thursday 23 Fair pleasant pm cold - Wind Wly -

Friday 24 Cloudy - am sleet - wind Wly -  
aboard these two days

Saturday 25. Xmas day ashore all day dined at  
Mr Jenkins's - Fair - wind NW - 2 ships & 1 snow

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for after I had been asleep sometime, how long  
I know not - I was wakened by the boy asking  
the Carpenter who sleeps between decks - what  
he was doing with a candle for that something  
was burning - I started up - & found the  
cabin & steerage full of smoke - I immediately  
jumped out of bed ran upon deck - & found  
a heap of sails which lay between decks all in  
blaze - The people below were so drunk & asleep  
they knew nothing of the matter - my calling  
up the boy roused the Carpenter - he got upon  
deck but was too groggy to do anything toward  
extinguishing the fire which his carelessness had  
kindled - Jack & I happily put it out -  
a few minutes more & we would have been past  
over extinguishing -

came to sail about 11. clock am - but the wind  
coming foul - we ran up as far George's Island  
came to anchor - - a Brigg in 27 days -  
from St. Kitts