

with salt water were floating, and with so much motion, that no man could with safety go into the hold. There was nothing left for us to try but baling with buckets at the fore hatchway and fish room; and twelve large canvas buckets were immediately employed at each. On opening the fish room we were so fortunate as to discover that two puncheons of Rum, which belonged to me, had escaped; they were immediately got up, and served out at times in drams; and had it not been for this relief, and some Lime Juice, the people would have dropped.

We soon found our account in baling: the spare pump had been put down the fore hatchway, and a pump shifted to the fish room, but the motion of the ship had washed the Coals so small, that they had reached every part of the ship, and these pumps soon, choaked however the water, by noon, had considerably diminished by working the Buckets, but there appeared no prospect of saving the ship, if the gale continued. The labour was too great to hold out without water; yet the people worked without a murmur, and indeed with cheerfulness.

At this time the weather was more moderate, and preparations were made to get up a jury foremast; but as the evening came on, the gale again encreased. We had seen nothing this day, but the ship which had lost her mainmast, and she appeared to be as much in want of assistance as ourselves, having fired guns of distress; and before night I was told her foremast was gone.

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