

after arriving through the Straits it Blowed a heavy gale of wind which compelled us to leave too under short sail, for three days. On the 16th of February, 1874, fair wind came again and we set all sail. Passed up across the River Plate into the S.E. Trades striking them in longitude $39.18.42$ degrees west, fine weather though the trades pelted the ship all over our side and we Tared and Scraped Every thing down. Fair wind and fine weather though the trades as far as latitude $3.19.10$ South. Crossed the equator in longitude 27.11 degrees west on the 4th of March. We was some 4 or 5 days round the equator before we got the N.E. Trades, we succeeded in getting the N.E. Trades on the 10th of March. (considerable rain, and stormy weather during our passage through the trades. Plenty of ships in sight, spoke the ship Excelsior 68 days from Aberdeen Bound to Liverpool, England. On the 20th of March, experienced a heavy gale of wind which lasted but a short time fair wind but was compelled to leave to did not dare to run it was such a thick fog and mist on the 24th of March, had soundings 40, 45, and 50 fathom of water all night long had to have two again thought that there was land close too plenty green water indicating land

(close too some where, saw a great number of ships waiting too have the fog cleared away on the 25th the fog cleared away and at 8 o'clock that evening entered the English Channel with Silly Island light on our port beam, a view of which you will see below.

view of English Channel,
and Silly Island,
light,

On the 26th of March, ship travelling 9 and 10 knots and hour passed the Lizard, Plymouth, the Lizard, Bell of Portland, On the 27th passed by, Hengess, and Beachy head. On the 28th passed through the Straits of Dover into the North Sea there being a distance of only 21 miles across France on one side while England lies on the other it was very thick and foggy all the time going through which made it very difficult to get along where there was