it exceedingly in pelting with snow balls though she always gets the worst of it. After dinner I went on deck during one of the squalls and we all engaged in the amusement, both fore and aft. Our consort of yesterday was in sight for most of the day, but towards night we lost sight of him, as he took advantage of every minute of fair wind which he did not, made 70 miles in 24 hours —

8th The same weather Samuel is almost beside himself to be detained here off Cape Horn of all places, fortunately we have moonlight nights which we hope to have until we are out of danger from ice, but at this rate we shall hardly do so. We have very long nights here, running lights below before five o'clock. The last remaining parquet died today, we are sorry to lose him. The snow has fallen to quite a depth several times today this morning it was one foot made 48 miles the last 48 hours. Saw two ships this morning bound to the South in an opposite direction from ourselves.

9th Calms and light winds from all directions during the day. Just before dark a strong breeze sprang up from the right direction for us, and we vainly thought it a commencement of better things, but it lasted only a few hours.

10th Light winds and calms as usual. Very little snow has fallen for the last two days, but we have occasionally squalls of wind. Two ships in sight bound in opposite directions from ourselves, made 220 miles in 48 hours.

11th Light winds again. We suppose ourselves to be today off the "Diegos", a group of Islands to the South West of Cape Horn. Made 70 miles the last 24 hours.

12th A strong delightful breeze sprang up last night, and we are flying through the water with all sail set, as we have not done for the last two weeks. By observations today we have passed Cape Horn, and are now in the broad Atlantic whose waters wash the shores of our beloved home, which now seems very near. Saw one ship today, under short sail trying to get to the South ~~East~~, the wind, that is fair for us is ahead for him. Made 210 miles the last 24 hours.

13th. Light winds through the night, but a nice breeze during the day. Raised two ships in the morning bound in an opposite direction from ourselves, and about noon raised one, bound as we are. Made 135 miles the last 24 hours.

14th. Fine weather with occasionally a snow squall. Raised 3 ships bound as we are. One of them outsails us, we keep up with the second and beat the third. Made 180 miles in 24 hours.

15th A strong breeze with squalls through the night, the wind being aft we went through the water at a very brisk rate, one ship in sight in the morning, passed her and was very soon out of sight. Made 235 miles the last 24 hours.

16th A nice breeze, but cloudy the most of the day, quite a heavy sea and we are all sufficiently exercised by rolling. No observations today.

17th Light winds, but fine pleasant weather, there is quite a perceivable change in the atmosphere within a week. Made 330 miles the last 48 hours.

18th A head wind from the North East which soon amounted to a moderate gale. Ran under short sail, or "laying to", the most of the day.

19th A hard rain storm part of the night, fine weather in the morning with a strong breeze. About noon it moderated. Afternoon Calm with a heavy sea — Made 145 miles to the Northward the last 48 hours.

20th Quite a strong head wind with a heavy head sea. Samuel has been laid up today with a catch in his side which he has felt coming on for some days.

21st Heavy squalls of wind and rain in the morning accompanied by thunder and lightening. Mr Baird prophesied a bad time, but fortunately the sun soon came out dispersing the clouds and the wind moderated but the heavy sea continued through the day. Made 240 miles to the Eastward the last 48 hours.

Samuel has been flat on his back all day, could not rise in bed without a severe catch. I have been applying hot cloths today.

22nd Pleasant the first part of the day. In the afternoon frequent squalls of wind, rain and hail, accompanied by quite a ~~severe~~ thunder shower which lasted about