

South Easterly bound March of 1869

Friday March 26th

This twenty four hours
opens with fine breeze from the Eastward steering
by the wind to the S E & under all sail.
Employed in steering back the after hold
All through the night had fine Easterly
wind & ended S E with some squalls of
rain & some wind. Latter part the same.
Employed coopersing flour finished with
this day Lat 19 35 S
Long 19 55 W

Saturday 27th

This twenty four hours
opens with good breeze from Eastward
steering S E & Employed in steering
back in the fore hold & steering on board
middle part light air steering S E &
Latter part the same Employed in
sitting out the 5th ft. stay & 5th ft. top
sail & saw from foremast. Lat 19 35 S
Long 19 02 W

Sunday 28th

This twenty four hours commences
with very light winds N E steering S E &
E & had some squalls of rain & finished
the main sail & set the top sail in
the night had the wind at N E & set
the main sail & steered S E & E. Latter
part wind & finished the main sail & set the
top sail day ends with calm & rainy

Lat 30 10 S
Long 18 20 W

March Concluded

Monday 29th of 1869

This twenty four hours commences with light
Western winds with fine rain steering by
the wind the backing to the S E & to the
South at 4 P M set the main sail &
left top sail heading E by South
Through the night had the wind S E
heading E & E North at 12 M tacked
wind bearing to the Eastward. Latter part
thick & rainy from Eastward. Day ends
Lat 30 25 S
Long 18 25 W

Tuesday 30th

This twenty four hours commences
with foul thick weather from Eastward
steering by the wind heading S E & E. Latter part
at dusk clear weather better heading the same
at 10 P M had a good breeze from the North
steered S E & E. at 8 A M under all sail came
up squalls took in the main sail & set the top sail
Latter part set to the foremast at 9 A M had it
set steering the same with strong winds & squalls
Day ends Lat 31 25 S
Long 18 58 W

Wednesday 31st & last of March

This twenty four hours
commences with with strong winds & squalls at 4 P M
wind shifted in a squall to the S E & South steering
S E & E. Called down the men from mast-head &
set the boats on upper cranes very ragged took in the
fore sail & set the top sail luffed by the wind for
one hour parted the luff rope to the 5th ft at 5 P M
all right again kept her S E & E. Through the
night had good breeze from S E & E. Latter part
when moderated steering S E & E under main top sail
aft & all sail forward Employed in patching
main sail at night wind veered to the South
a little Easterly set the main sail & left top sail
Day ends this day Lat 31 08
Long 19 02