

Cruising in the North Atlantic Ocean
October 25th 1882

First-Part wind S.W. middle and latter parts W.S.
We saw 5 sails employed repairing gills
Lat 38 28 N
Long 40 32 W

October 26th

Strong Breeze throughout employed repairing
gills. Saw one sail Brig by the wind to the West
wind S.W. and a heavy sea. Running from West-
battered down the hatches
Lat 40 15 N
Long 43 06 W

October 27th

First-Part Strong Breeze middle Part Blowing
a heavy gale from S.E. to South with heavy cross sea
and thick misty weather. Course W by N at 4 am. Barom
at 28.40 and falling gale increasing and inclining to
S.W. took in all square sails and came to the wind
under storm by sail and stay sails at 6 am. Barom at 28.40
Weather looked threatening at 8. lost main stay sail and
split fore top stay sail Brig shipping much water and
labouring heavily. Pumps carefully attended to at 8 am
Barom 28.40 and falling fast and gale increasing at 10
am wind suddenly shifted to S.W. wore ship to the
S.E. Barom 28.40 falling very fast had barely got around
on Eastern tack when a terrific tornado burst upon us
from about N by E. throwing the Brig upon her beam
ends tearing the weather quarter boat from its lashings
carrying it across deck and away to leeward by boats under
water water up to main hatches

Ship filling fast from cabin and forecabin gangways sides
on the yards liberated down to species under the gaskets at
that time it was certain that either the masts must go
or the Brig turn over and all hands be lost but long and toiled
back stay and shroud went the mast went over taking main
topmast and gibson relieved of the pressure the Brig tilted just
then we got an E. breeze of wind but fortunately the mast was
down set a gang at the pumps and others cutting and clearing
the deck at 11 am. moderated some Barom rising at 12 strong
steady gales from W. N. W. lost fore boats with all the gear here cut
barrow and davies and broke both sails lost spare spars from
the stern and skids lost main sail abreast of weather
fore rigging and several decks going with mast lost
the backmast also main topmast and gibson and don
other minor damage
Lat 40 20 N
Long 44 20 W

Working towards the Is. of Fayal
October 28th

First-part Strong gale from N.W. with heavy sea Brig
labouring heavily at 2 pm Pumps sucked wind moderate Brig
boiling heavily find water ways opened some on both sides
latter part moderate gale and a heavy sea all hands employ-
ed clearing up and fitting up stays and other work. also
at the Brig wind N.W. pumps carefully attended to find
the Brig started an extra leak
No Observations

October 28th

Light winds throughout with thick weather and rain
all hands employed fitting up stays for 10 feet gills
and got three gills up and a reef mainsail Brig working
towards Fayal wind North Course East saw one sail
used 50 faths of towline running rigging looking over strake
in twenty four hours
No Observations

October 30th

First-part Light breeze middle part heavy squalls
and rain from N.E. latter part Good breeze Employ-
ed fitting flying gills stay course E. S. E. saw one sail
the fths of towline for Rigging Pumps carefully attend-
ed
Lat 40 28 N
Long 41 38 W

October 31st

First-part a Norwegian Bth came to us and spoke
to us and wanted to know if we wanted help but we did
not want any fine pleasant light winds from West
throughout employed repairing a half of a boat that we
saved pumps carefully attended 25 faths for rigging
Lat 40 03 N

November 1st

First-Part Light-mist and latter parts blow-
ing Strong from West with heavy weather and rain
employed repairing a Boat
No Observations

November 2nd

First-part Light wind middle and latter part
good Breeze Brig under reef mainsail and gills
wind from west throughout Pumps carefully
attended Course E. S. E.

Lat 40 31 N
Long 38 04 W