

Tuesday February 10th 1863

66 days from N.Y.

Latitude - South Longitude West

After being tossed about in our berths all night - the morning came - The wind had lulled - but the sea was running very high - and looked at times as if it would come on board of the ship - At 10. Am. commenced making sail and the sea had gone down considerably - The ship was now ready to - and was getting very badly - and on the wind changed - The sails were increased - I have been reading Mary - has been in my room - most of the forenoon - Can't land down but can't get up ship - The rest of the passengers were in the Cabin - and my room door being open could hear and know what is going on - Mr Evans made us a call this morning - he is so hoarse that he can scarcely talk - and the Capt has been in his berth nearly all the forenoon - Mrs Newman & Mrs M. in the Cabin - Are now getting the sun - and we will soon know our Latitude -

12th We have gone some

ways to the Eastward - All sail has been made - at times we would have gone south - and then it would haul ahead again - Mary and George have been in the room this morning - playing checkers with Can - I was in my "Room" - we had some of the County Walnuts & - we only lack a few to have it all go - Mary - we have been talking and thinking of home - Can says that she cannot get Emily out of her head - she is and has been thirsty of her all day - After supper - we went on deck and had a good run - Mrs Mary is also out with Mr Evans great coat on - and has been walking with the Capt - she is afraid of him for some reason - Mr Evans has gone to his room - as he has the watch now - 8 & 12 on deck - The Cabin all live to go on deck when Mr Evans is there

9 PM - George has commenced reading "Social Expeditions" and is busily engaged - has been in my room this evening - but has a headache - and goes to bed - Mary has also retired - Can saw the Capt & Mrs Newman this evening - they were having a most glorious time of it - together and doubtless they enjoyed it very much - But he is a gossip - and she a friend of property - We all feel very sleepy tonight - and will try and have a good night's rest - We do not see any ships - now - and think we are about -

20 days from - Valparaiso -

1st day -

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Yesterday I estimated that it would be 20 days - we were reached Valparaiso - and to day is the first of the 11th - We are now making ready on board again - The Capt wishes to keep as near the main land as possible - in order to go through the Straights of Le Maire - we are now between the Falklands and the main land - and heading to day from S by S to S-SW - As the sun went down every indication of a storm is apparent - although the sky is clear - Mr Evans says the sky looks large - that is - the air is so light as to make the sky look a long way off - during the last watch we were from 8 to 12 - the wind increased - and at 12 the watch was a full all the forenoon - The ship pitched more violently - than I ever knew her to do before - and Can and Charlie could not sleep - and it was not until morning that we went to sleep -

Can and Mary has been in the Cabin all day - sunny - so - this morning the Capt had some words with Mrs Mary - about her girls and told her as much that she was a hair - 8 - The mother commenced with them not speaking all day - This morning Mrs Newman was sick - had a headache - soon as Mrs M got up she locked the door - and kept Mrs M from getting several things which she needed - In the afternoon C. M. & Mrs M. was in Mary's room - The Steward brought them some bread & Cod fish and a cup of Tea - they had an old woman - afternoon in talking over all manner of things - I suppose not admitted - children & I were while they were there - Mrs N came in - properly in doubt to see what was going on - After supper all the passengers on deck - and then stayed until dark - when I went out and had a talk with Turner - coming in again found Mrs Mary in my room in conversation with Can - soon after Mrs N - came in - and afterwards Emma - so we had one of the best - we have spent on board during the voyage - Had it not been for the Capt we would have enjoyed ourselves finely - But we are now nearly at our journey's end - and if nothing happens will soon be there - and of there is any thing in the Old adage - A poor beginning makes a good ending - it is ours to be fulfilled on the end -

Yours Resp. - C.T.R.