

Thursday
March
31st
1886

Cruising Off W coast of Africa

Commenced with gentle breeze
from S.W. course W. S.W. hands
employed in ship's duty At 8 pm
tacked off and at 9 pm tacked in
Run in all the latter part of
N.E. hand to end lat 24° 25' S
Long 24° 25' E

Friday
April
1st
1886

Commenced with thick clouds
Weather with some rain gentle
breeze from S. course W. S.W. at
2 pm broke out for weather & bread
At 5 pm saw the land bearing
W distant 25 miles at 8 pm
tacked off and at 9 pm tacked
in so end lat 24° 25' S Long 25° 53'

Saturday
April
2nd
1886

Commenced with fine weather and
light air from S. steering in
N.E. hand in sight hands employed
in ship's duty all the middle and
latter part calm land in sight
saw blackfish board and chased
but to no success to end lat
by observation 24° 27' S Long 26° 50'

Sunday
April
3rd
1886

Commenced with calm and light
air from N.W. At 2 pm saw more
blackfish board but to no success
Hands employed in ship's duty
land still in sight to the west
Run in all the middle part at
5 pm took a light air from the land
latter part calm to end lat 25° 00' S
Long 24° 47' E

Monday
April 4th
1886

Commenced with calm and light
air from the land which bore W distant
10 leagues All the middle and latter
part wind light and backing with
squalls of rain and wind to end this
signore at 25° 10' S

Tuesday
April the
6th
1886

Bound down to Basda

Commenced with light wind
and squalls of rain and wind
from S.W. to S.W. land in sight
distant 25 miles hands employed
in ship's duty all the middle
part pleasant weather with strong
breezes latter part strong gales with
rain from S.W. land further on
to end lat 24° 25' S Long

Wednesday
April the
6th
1886

Commenced with strong gales
from S.W. to S.W. upon the
starboard many squalls of rain
and wind all the first part
land under our lee distant
25 miles at 1 pm tacked off
to S.W. wind ship and stood
off S.W. all the middle part
Heavy gales with a tremendous
sea At 3 pm we turned a little to
the S. were ship and tacked
off upon the starboard ship
to end lat 25° 17' S Long

Took in
2 sails

Thursday
April
7th
1886

This day commenced with
heavy gale from S.W. with a heavy
sea land under our lee distant
25 miles steered off by S. under close
reef-topails and fore sail and
running N.E. & S.W. at 4 pm made
water a little middle part fine
weather latter part the same
At noon tacked to the S.W. to end
lat 24° 30' S Long 25° 41' E

Friday
8th
1886

Commenced with fine weather gentle
breeze from S.W. to S.W. steering S.W. 10
Upon the starboard hands employed
in mending & 2 staysal middle
and latter part fine weather to end
lat 25° 21' S Long 26° 50'