

Bark *Matilda Sears*
 Thursday April 10th

Commenced with moderate gale from West with squally weather at 1 P.M. Steered off course N. by E. under close reef main top sail and fore sail at 3 P.M. the wind increased to a heavy gale took in the fore sail and main top sail and bore the heading to the N. W. turned up the starboard board heavy sea running latter part more moderate at daylight came from S. W. Steered course N. by W. and had all drawing sail parted fore jib and flying jib jimmies during the gale.
 Lat 48° 01' S.
 Long 50° 56' W.

Friday April 11th

Commenced with light breeze from West with clear weather this steering N. by W. Middle part fresh breeze from East with squalls this heading to the starboard latter part variable with heavy sea running.
 Lat 46° 55' S.
 Long 51° 17' W.

Saturday April 12th

Commenced with variable winds with squalls at 2 P.M. sprung up a fresh gale from S. W. with cloudy weather this steering course N. by W. under all bearing sail Middle and latter part light gale from South.
 Lat 44° 11' S.
 Long 50° 20' W.

Steering to the North in the South Atlantic 1873

Thursday April 13th

Commenced with strong winds from South with squally weather this steering course under all bearing sail at 2 P.M. came away the fore topmast steering sail boom Chivoree and latter part strong gale from South rolled the starboard board down and stored it & perished.
 Lat 41° 18' S.
 Long 49° 10' W.

Friday April 14th

Commenced with strong gale from South with squally weather this steering course N. by E. under all bearing sail Middle part more moderate latter part variable wind with squalls this working to the south part the jib and flying jib jimmies on and set up the black ropes.
 Lat 38° 20' S.
 Long 47° 40' W.

Saturday April 15th

Commenced with variable winds with heavy squalls this by the wind working to the North at 3 P.M. the wind sprung up from the West strong this steering N. by E. under all bearing sail Middle and latter part strong wind from S. W. with pleasant weather.
 Lat 35° 23' S.
 Long 46° 11' W.

Sunday April 16th

Commenced with fresh breeze from South with pleasant weather this steering course under all bearing sail Middle part light air latter part calm put out the water board and unrolled starboard board on the crane.
 Lat 33° 56' S.