

Dec 1897

Saturday the 19th still laying to under
 close reef main top sail
 and fore sail & sail in
 sight at 4 P.M. spoke the
 ship *Irish Fortune* of
 Grandport bound home
 at 7 P.M. set double reef top
 sails steering south.

Sunday the 20th a strong double reef
 top sail breeze steering
 south middle part took in
 the fore and main top
 sails it coming an other gale
 the last part took in the
 fore sail and hove to the
Irish in sight

Tuesday the 21st a gale laying to with a close
 reef main top sail ~~last~~ turned up
 the midst boat last part set
 the reef fore sail and were
 ship a heavy sea on so it goes

Wednesday the 22nd a little more moderate
 under fore sail and double
 reef fore and main top sail
 heading about West set up
 the lee main rigging and
 sent down the fore and
 main foremast last
 part set the main top
 sail close reef so goes the time

Dec 1897

Thursday the 23rd a strong double reef top sail
 breeze and a heavy sea on stand
 ing south at 7 P.M. took in the
 jib nothing in sight there 24 hours

Friday the 24th a gale lay to under a close reef
 main top sail and reef fore
 sail the last part moderate
 set double reef top sails

Sat the 25th the first part a light breeze
 steering S by E with all sail set
 middle blow strong took in the
 top gallant sails and double
 reef the fore and main top
 sails last part took in the fore
 and main top sails and hove to

Sunday the 26th more moderate
 under top sails and top
 gallant sails and some
 squalls so goes steering
 S by E some raggy by spells

Monday the 27th a fine breeze but foggy
 with some rain steering S by E
 saw nothing sent down the
 fore top gallant sail and
 mended it and sent it up
 again so it goes whistled by the
 fog