

Thursday April 22nd 1869

Begins with a gale of wind from the W. & W. and squally weather. Ship by the wind heading to the S. & W. with all prudent sail. But saw two or three sail steering to the E. & S. E. - raining by spells nearly all day.

No Obs.

Friday April 23rd 1869

Begins with a gale of wind from the E. & W. heavy squalls of rain and a heavy rough nasty sea on. Ship by the wind going to under lower mainmast and storm stunsails heading up W. & W. Water quite green made some sail and steered to the S. per compass until 12 M. then being in the water luffed to the wind to the S. & W. and shortened sail. Saw one sail steering E. several Portuguese man of war and three or four long tailed birds all this day.

Lat at Merd. 38.23

Long by Chron. 57.00

Temp. of air 76
" " Water 75

Barom. 29.75

Saturday April 24th 1869

Begins with a gale of wind from the E. & W. and some squalls of rain and an ugly sea on from the E. & W. being overcast. at daylight kept ship off W. per compass and made all prudent sail. Wind hauling round gradually to the E. & S. E. - saw one sail in the morning steering to the E. - Nothing else in sight all day - no birds porpoises Blackfish or anything else. at sunset calm. - Water all day very green. Lat at Merd. 38.12

Long by Chron. 57.20

Barom. 30.75

Sunday April 25th 1869

Begins with strong breezes from the S. & W. and cloudy weather. Ship by the wind heading S. & E. S. being calm nearly all night. in the morning made all prudent sail and steered S. & E. per compass being in green water at 9 got out of it. Saw 4 humphries a few Portuguese man of war - one large finned squid and two sail all this day. One sail steering E. the other S. & E. all the P. M. in clear blue water. - short choppy sea with tide rips.

Lat at Merd. 37.44

Long by Chron. 57.00

Barom. 30