

Thursday May 20th 1869

Begins with light winds from the WNW and quite clear weather - Ship steering by the wind to the SE with all sail out - water changeable from green to blue and from blue to green - saw several birds but going to the SE. - some large and some small Portuguese Man of War - also one sail in sight in the A.M. at 12 M. kept ship E and SE - saw several finbacks in the P.M.

Lat at merid. 40.14
Long by Chron. 38.54

Friday May 21st 1869

Begins with a gale of wind and rain from the WNW - Ship by the wind to the S and E, a part of the A.M. and a part of the time steering ESE for compass - in the A.M. saw several finbacks and one sail - one school of porpoises - struck one but lost him - water alternately blue and green - In the P.M. the same steering ESE - saw porpoises struck and lost another - saw several finbacks - all the P.M. cloudy weather - two sail in sight

Lat 40.08 Long 37.23

Saturday May 22nd 1869

Begins with moderate breezes from the WNW and hazy weather - Ship steering ESE with all prudent sail out - Water green nearly all day blue only a short time in the A.M. - saw several birds going ESE - but a few Portuguese Man of War - In the P.M. saw White Water - run for it but saw it no more - saw two humpbacks going quick to the SE - at night shortened sail as usual

Lat at merid. 39.48
Long by Chron. 35.50

Sunday May 23rd 1869

Begins with light winds from the WSW and fog - Ship to the wind heading to the N and steering off ESE for compass - Water blue and clear all day with plenty of small Portuguese Man of War - only a few saw-tailed birds and they going to the SE - nothing more in sight all day

Lat at merid. 40.06
Long by Chron. 35.00