

1278. *Bark Smyrna of New Bedford, Mass.*

1278. *Six Topsail Ship.*

Tuesday June 9th 1857.

Commences with very light breeze from N. N. W. at 3 P. M. took a brisk breeze from the S. W. at 4 P. M. headed the ship to the N. N. W. saw part of a squid, an albatross and one sail, middle part moderate breezes from the Southward, latter part very light breeze from the Southward and a heavy swell from the S. W. saw two sails and shot a bomb lance at a sulphur bottom.
Do ends &c. Lat. By obs. 31° 41'. Long. By obs. 33° 39' 00". Bar. 30.2.

1279. *American Clipper.*

Backstay stranded.

Wednesday June 10th 1857.

Begins with pleasant breezes from S. E. to E. N. E. with a heavy swell from the S. W. steering N. by E. and N. by S. with topmast and lower studding sails set, two sails in sight steering to the Westward, one of them an American with her exchanged colours, shortly before sunset struck a porpoise and drove, middle part brisk breezes from N. E. steering N. with studding sails out, latter part strong breezes steering the same course took in the light sails and double reefed the topsails, found another of the main topmast backstays stranded, put up a preventer for the present.
Do ends &c. Lat. By obs. 33° 00'. Long. By obs. 31° 04' 00". Bar. 29.8+.

1280. *Thunder Squall.*
Fresh Gale.

Thursday June 11th 1857.

Commences with strong breezes from N. E. with a heavy sea running, steering N. exchanged colours with a French ship steering about the same, Bar. falling, with some appearances of a change in the weather, at about 10 P. M. took a squall from the N. W. with very sharp chain lightning, heavy thunder and rain, cleared up everything and let the Smyrna lay till the cloud had passed over, then the wind veered back to the N. E. again, set double reefed topsails and foresail and steered N. till about 2 A. M. the wind then hauled to the N. W. and increasing, latter part fresh gales from N. W. with strong puffs, and a heavy irregular sea running, ship laying under a close reefed main topsail and spencers, heading from N. N. W. to S. W.
Do ends &c. Lat. By obs. 33° 40'. Long. By obs. 29° 40' 45". Bar. 29.7.

1281. *Towards the Cape of Good Hope. A.D. 1857.*

1281. *Irregular Sea.*

Friday June 12th 1857.

Begins with a fresh gale from N. N. W. with a very irregular sea running, ship heading to the Northward under a close reefed main topsail and spencers, middle part rather more moderate, latter part light breezes from N. N. W. to N. E. with a very heavy swell running, heading from S. W. to N. with the main top gallant sail out, and pair two sails.
Do ends &c. Lat. By obs. 34° 11'. Long. By obs. 29° 39' 15". Bar. 30.0.

1282. *French Ship.*

Saturday June 13th 1857.

Commences with brisk breezes from the Northward steering to the Westward under all sail, and exchanged colours with a French ship steering the same, middle part moderate breezes from the Northward with lightning in the S. and S. E. latter part moderate breezes from N. W. to N. heading to the Westward under all sail, set up the main topmast and top gallant backstays, four sails in sight. Bar. 30.0.
Do ends &c. Lat. By obs. 35° 00'. Long. By obs. at 9 A. M. 28° 25' 00". By Lunar. 29° 34' 15". Long. By obs. at 2 P. M. 27° 54' 00".

1283. *All Sail.*

Sunday June 14th 1857.

Commences with moderate breezes from N. and N. N. W. heading to the Westward under all sail, two sails in sight, middle part steering N. N. W. with brisk breezes from N. N. E. latter part brisk breezes from N. N. W. with a heavy Westerly swell, ship heading to the Westward under the topsails and courses, one sail in sight.
Do ends &c. Lat. By obs. 36° 02'. Long. By obs. 25° 54' 00". Bar. 29.6+.

1284. *Green Water.*
Gale.

Monday June 15th 1857.

Begins with strong breezes from N. N. W. and N. W. at 2 P. M. wore round to the N. E. under double reefed topsails and courses, at 3 P. M. wore to the Westward again, (in green water) middle part brisk breezes from N. West to N. N. W. heading from N. E. by N. to N. under double reefed topsails and courses, latter part strong gales from N. N. W. and N. W. and squally, laying under a close reefed main topsail and spencers heading to the Northward.
Do ends &c. Lat. 35° 43'. Long. By obs. 24° 50' 30". Bar. 29.6+.