

Bark Matilda Sears  
Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup> 1859

Third part fresh  
gale from N. W. with squally weather  
Ship hove to heading to the north under  
fore sail and double reef main topsail  
middle and latter part the same  
Set a big steering to the southeast at 10.  
A. M. took in the foresail Lat. 34° 49' N  
Long 66° 34' W

Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Commences with  
fresh gale from N. W. with squally  
weather Ship hove to heading to the  
Northward under double reef main  
topsail Middle part more moderate  
Set the topsails whole and the courses  
latter part moderate breeze from  
N. N. W. Ship by the wind heading to the  
north under all sail crew employed  
in ship duty  
Lat. 33° 20' N

Steering to the north in the N. Atlantic  
Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commences with  
moderate breeze from north with cloudy  
weather Ship by the wind heading to the N. E.  
at 11 A. M. the wind hauled to the west  
at 3 P. M. the wind N. N. W. Ship by the wind  
heading to the northwest under all sail  
Middle part fresh breeze with  
thick weather latter part strong breeze  
from S. W. with rainy weather and squalls  
Ship steering N. W. by W. under all bearing  
sail saw a american bark steering to the  
S. E. and a schooner Lat. 36° 49' N

Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup>

Commences with  
strong wind from S. W. with thick rainy  
weather ship steering course N. W. by W. under  
all bearing sail at 2 P. M. the wind hauled  
to the N. N. W. took in the light sails  
and double reefed the topsails and hove ship to the  
west middle part the same latter part  
more moderate set the topsails whole and  
the light sails  
Lat. 36° 10' N  
Long 20° 05' W