

16th July 1864 Saturday

A fine morning but dark

Killed a sheep and pig
 Came on to blow rather hard toward
 evening. Two Albatros flying
 about, some cape terns and many
 pigeons, had a game of Quits
 with Weir.

17th July 1864 Sunday

Day dark, some showers, and blowing
 half a gale. I read the morning
 service in our cabin at 11 am,
 Mr Browne, Harry Browne and Mac
 attended. about 4 PM we were
 struck by a heavy sea on the
 Port side, the main sail was
 lifted up about 8 inches the whole
 way from main hatch fore.

The Jacks took possession of our
 smoking room twice today, but
 Wyatt has now given them orders
 not to go there again. we are
 now in the Loofie of London and
 about 500 miles S of Cape. This is
 the longest passage the Almage
 has ever made. her masts were
 shortened 4 feet just before leaving
 London