STATION 1.

Density of water at 60° F. at surface, 1.02730; bottom, 1.02650. Depth, 1890 fathoms; deposit, Globigerina Ooze, containing 50 per cent. of carbonate of lime (see Murray and Renard, Deep-Sea Deposits Chall. Exp.).

At 8 A.M. sounded in 1890 fathoms, when a water-bottle was sent down for the first time with the sounding lead. At 9 A.M. the dredge was put over. At noon Siemens' thermometric apparatus was tried for the first time down to a depth of 1000 fathoms, with fair results. At 1.30 P.M. commenced to haul in dredge, and at 2 P.M. obtained temperatures at various depths by means of thermometers and Siemens' apparatus. The dredge came up empty at 4 P.M., having probably fouled the rope in paying out.

Position at noon about 40 nautical miles south of the southern extremity of Tenerife Island; Sombrero Island distant 2620 miles. Made good 76 miles. Amount of current 8 miles, direction S. 75° W.

Surface Organisms.—The following are recorded in the note-books as having been Organisms from captured at the surface :-

SURFACE-NETS.

Peridinium; Diphyes; Sagitta; Alciopa, Terebella; Hyalophyllum [= Saphirinella], Copilia, Hyperia, Phronima, Mysis, Zoëæ; Atlanta, Firoloida; Styliola, Diacria [= Cavolinia], Heterofusus (?) [= Limacina]; Cephalopod; Salpa, Appendicularia, Doliolum; and young fishes.

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Surface Organisms.—The following are recorded in the note-books as having Organisms from been captured in the surface tow-nets, which skimmed the surface only as the vessel was moving fast:—Siphonophoræ, Copepods, Idothea, Lucifer, Phyllosoma, many Zoëæ, Cavolinia, Styliola, two empty shells of Spirula.

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Willemoes-Suhm writes: "I found a young specimen belonging to the Saphirinæ with two long pigment bodies, but only one large cornea; perhaps it may divide later, or it may be that this is a species in which the cornea is undivided. We found for the first time the singular genus Lucifer, which is referred by Claus to the Decapods, and by Gerstaecker to a family intermediate between the Squillinæ and the Schizopods."

Station 2 (Sounding 46), Tenerife to Sombrero (see Chart 6 and Diagram 1).

STATION 2.

February 17, 1873; lat. 25° 52' N., long. 19° 22' W. Temperature of air at noon, 65°.3; mean for the day, 64°.2.