

In addition, the following are recorded in the note-books from the surface and down to 30 fathoms :—*Ceratium (Peridinium) tripos*, *Globigerina*, *Orbulina*, *Hastigerina*, Acanthometræ and compound Radiolaria, *Sagitta*, *Tomopteris*, *Evadne*, *Cypridina*, *Euphausia* and larvæ, larvæ of *Sergestes*, *Atlanta*, *Oxygyrus*, Pteropods, small transparent Cephalopods, *Appendicularia*, *Fritillaria*, *Doliolum*, *Salpa*, fish eggs. A large whale was seen close to the ship.

STATION 296.

Station 297 (Sounding 442), Tahiti to Valparaiso (see Chart 38, and STATION 297. Diagrams 20 and 21).

November 11, 1875 ; lat. $37^{\circ} 29' S.$, long. $83^{\circ} 7' W.$

Temperature of air at noon, $57^{\circ} 3$; mean for the day, $55^{\circ} 9$.

Temperature of water :—

Surface,	57·0	500 fathoms,	39·1
25 fathoms,	55·5	600 " ,	38·2
50 " ,	53·7	700 " ,	37·4
75 " ,	51·9	800 " ,	36·7
100 " ,	50·1	900 " ,	36·5
125 " ,	48·4	1000 " ,	36·4
150 " ,	47·0	1100 " ,	36·3
175 " ,	45·7	1200 " ,	36·2
200 " ,	44·5	1300 " ,	36·1
225 " ,	43·8	1400 " ,	36·0
250 " ,	43·1	1500 " ,	35·9
275 " ,	42·5	1600 " ,	35·8
300 " ,	41·9	1700 " ,	35·6
400 " ,	40·4	Bottom,	35·5

Density at 60° F. :—

Surface,	1·02542	300 fathoms,	1·02533
25 fathoms,	1·02529	400 " ,	1·02532
50 " ,	1·02526	800 " ,	1·02539
100 " ,	1·02518	1300 " ,	1·02554
200 " ,	1·02536	Bottom,	1·02565

Depth, 1775 fathoms ; deposit, Globigerina Ooze, containing 71·15 per cent. of carbonate of lime (see Murray and Renard, Deep-Sea Deposits Chall. Exp.).

At 5 A.M. stopped and sounded in 1775 fathoms ; the sounding-tube brought up no trace of the bottom. Put trawl over, veering 2300 fathoms. Obtained serial temperatures from surface to bottom. Lowered whaler with naturalist, who shot a number of birds. At 1 P.M. commenced heaving in trawl, which came up fouled at 3.15 P.M., but containing