

a few of you notes. I hope so, yet I fear that you may be too much interested in your air currents to "return to your old love" in time passes.

Now I come to your paper. I understand you far better than you knew. It was your mode of exposition that I could not follow well. I am not made that way. Said Faraday "Tell me what I am to look for," & then he could see it. Good old Faraday. I follow him as well as I can in (mostly) matter of this sort. If you argue with the cold & hot air-currents, then I wouldn't want the detailed evidence which is of such importance to you & to geophysics. I have the greatest possible pleasure to inform you that you have adopted the precise method I have had in operation all my life! Qualitatively I mean, of course. I would not dream of ^{you} refuting the great results you and your son and Solberg have arrived at, by any suggestion of my having anticipated your theory by the sneaking round of the warm air to the polar regions in a circumlocutional manner.

I am very familiar with the "surface of discontinuity" separating streams of air, which is it seems to me, not-a surface really, but may have considerable depth, and have made some excellent predictions here & there. Said I to a boy, ^{one evening} who came with a summons, "Look at that sky!... Ah! beautiful," he answered. "Do you know what it means? There's going to be ^{no} ^{biggy didn't seem to care} very rough weather. It may not come till tomorrow, or it may come in the night." It came in the night, & did hundreds of pounds worth of damage on the Little bathing beach near the station. The machines, and the chairs, and platforms were banged about & smashed fearfully. But it didn't last long. At the enquiry the man in charge said there was nothing in the weather that evening to lead them to expect a storm. And nothing was said of any coast-guard warning. Now that sudden little gale did great damage in the Dover Deal region, I fancy there were watersports there, but don't remember at the moment.

Another case I remember. In very fine ^{summer} weather with a westerly wind, I saw in the afternoon suddenly black low clouds rushing by from E. to W. apparently, with great speed. I guessed 1000 feet ^{high}. They were detached & in groups. Between them, incuriously high up, could now be seen faint filmy clouds, & they could be seen to be moving from W. to E. too. The sun could be seen through them. Their speed ^{was} therefore very great also. I predicted a very great cyclone or whirlwind or hurricane up in the narrow part of the channel. Not till next day did I read about it. I think there was