

Journal of the Bark John Dawson cruising in the

Wednesday August 10th 1864

Commenced with brisk breezes from the Westward steering N.E. by E at 3 P.M. steering N.E. saw a Brig steering E by S. Watch engaged with the Brig. Foretop sail hoisted and making foretopmast a top sail pendant at 4 P.M. down double reefed the foretop sail. Little from the S.W. made part light breezes and thick rainy weather. At 7 P.M. cleared away, set full sail. Watch engaged over hauling davit to the Blocks & C so ends

Lat 37° 04 North
Long 42° 00 West

Thursday 11th

Commenced with light breezes from the S.W. steering N.E. at 2 P.M. hauled over to the Northward heading East. Watch engaged making sennit to C at 4 P.M. down short tined sail. Middle watch latter part light baffling winds heading anywhere from E.N.E. to E.S.E. at 7 P.M. set all sail. Watch engaged working in the rigging. saw a ship steering N.W. at 24 hours ends with light air

Lat 37° 09 North
Long 41° 22 West

Friday 12th

Commenced with light air & calm heading to the Eastward. Watch engaged making sennit, short tined the flying jib hump. At 2 P.M. took in light sail. mid part at 4 P.M. a light breeze sprang up from the S.W. steering N.E. latter part at 6 P.M. set all sail steering N.E. by N. lowered for Black fish without success. Watch making spring gun saw a Brig steering East

Lat 38° 16 North
Long 40° 31 West

North Atlantic Ocean James Catteji Master

Saturday 13th

Commenced with fine breezes from the S.W. steering N.E. by N. Watch engaged making spring gun & C saw Grampass at sundown short tined sail and hove to heading N.W. by N. latter part strong breeze and smoky weather at 6 P.M. kept off N.E. by E. Watch engaged making spring gun & C saw a vessel standing to the N.W.

Lat 39° 54 North
Long 40° 25 West

Sunday 14th

Commenced with strong breezes from the S.W. at 10 P.M. huffed to heading S.E. by S under double reefed topsails saw a Bark & Brig standing to the N.W. at 1 P.M. down short tined sail heading N.W. by N. Revere new fore sheets mid part equally latter part better weather and less wind at 7 P.M. kept off N.E. several vessels in sight at 11 P.M. spoke the Bark Greaz Hound of West Port. Capt Abel 25 months out 680 sperm so ends

Lat 40° 10 North
Long 39° 59 West

Monday 15th

Commenced with fine breezes from the Northward heading N.W. by N. at 3 P.M. a light breeze doubled the topsails and fore ship heading E.N.E. at 5 P.M. spoke the Bark Anacondar Capt Ream of New Bedford 14 months out 1000 sperm. and also Brig Seba of Fairhaven Capt Fisher 7 months out 500 sperm at sundown shortened sail latter part brisk breeze made sail at 8 P.M. wore ship and stood to the N.W. several whales in sight

Lat 40° 07 North
Long 39° 27 West