

Journal of the Bark John Dawson cruising with the North

Saturday Sept 3^d 1864

Commenced with fine breeze and fair weather from the S.E. heading S.W. Watch engaged breaking out and stowing off the old hole Board new Grouse sail, hal yards at 4 P.M. tacked heading E.S.E. at sundown shortened sail, middle & latter part moderate weather set all sail at 7 A.M. steering E by S. Wind from the Southward foggy weather. Watch engaged making scrub, broom & the carpenter fitting the headbrails.

Lat 41° 04' North
Long 38° 33' West

Sunday 4th

Commenced with light breeze and foggy weather from the Southward steering E by S. Saw a sail standing to the Westward. Watch engaged in various duties. The copper is come off, both masts and Port Bow & sundown took in sail and luffed to heading East mid-part at 10 P.M. wind veered to the Westward heading S.W. had a few rain showers. latter part fine clear weather set all sail at 8 A.M. kept off E.S.E. saw a merchant Bark steering E by N.

Lat 42° 00' North
Long 36° 15' West

Monday 5th

Commenced with light breeze from the N. steering E.N.E. at 3 P.M. passed the Bark Frank by of Liverpool and saw another steering East at sundown took in sail and come to on the Port tack heading N.W. latter part fine breeze & smoky weather set all sail at 7 A.M. tacked heading S.W. watch engaged making champagne at 11 Brought on took Gore Luffellian sail at 12 M. tacked heading N.W.

Lat 42° 36' North
Long 36° 28' West

Atlantic Ocean James Cottle Master

Tuesday 6th

Commenced with brisk breeze from the Westward heading S.W. this foggy weather at 2:30 P.M. Mr Wick raised the sperm whales again. N.E. got everything ready for hoveing and they went down and never saw them again. the fog was very thick. kept off and stored different courses to the Southward & Eastered at 5 P.M. luffed to heading S.W. at sundown shortened sail. Mid-part breeze on at 12 M. wore ship heading E by N. latter part blowing fresh gale under spring sail at 7 A.M. wore ship heading S.W. and at 12 M. wore back again heading heading S by W sent down the Gore Luffellian to repair & C.

Lat 42° 07' North
Long 36° 14' West

Wednesday 7th

Commenced with moderate gale from the Westward heading S.W. and thick weather at 4 P.M. moderate middle & latter part light breeze and drizzly weather Put a new foot rope on the Gore Luffellian and hove it at 11 A.M. breeze on under short sail heading S by W.

Lat 48° 24' North
Long 36° 48' West

Thursday 8th

Commenced with strong breeze from the Westward heading S.W. hazy weather saw a Brig steering to the Eastward mid-part squally rainy weather, latter part fresh breeze under double reefed top sails at 10 A.M. wind veered to the S.E. steering S.W. Watch engaged making pennett saw several merchant vessels steering to the Eastward

Lat 42° 06' North
Long 36° 50' West