

Journal of the Bark John Dawson in the
Friday August 4th 1865.

Commenced with light air
from the Westward heading S.W. saw lots
of pieces of squid but no whales. Mid part
light breeze from the S.E. steering N.W. &
latter part at 10 P.M. hauled to the S.W.
and Westward. The coast of Sicily in sight
and several vessels.

Lat $36^{\circ}23'$ North
Long $15^{\circ}43'$ East

Saturday 5th

Commenced with light breeze
from the Westward heading N.W. at 4 P.M.
wind veered to the S.W. steering N.W. by W.
and at sundown Pessaro light house bears N.E.
distant 23 miles. latter part calm. at 11 P.M.
at light breeze sprang up from the Eastward
steering S.W. the coast of Sicily about
15 miles off. and about half way between
Cape Island light and Cape Scalambrà light
Lat of vessels in sight

Sunday 6th

Commenced with light breeze
from the Eastward steering N.W. along the
Sicily coast. at sundown C. Scalambrà light
bears S.E. by E distant 15 miles. at sundown wind
died out calm. at 12 M. a light breeze sprang
up from the Eastward again steering N.W. by W. latter
part steering S.W. the coast of Sicily about
8 miles distant lots of vessels in sight

Lat $36^{\circ}57'$ North
Long $13^{\circ}53'$ East

Mediterranean Sea James Catlin Master

Monday 7th

Commenced with light breeze
from the Eastward steering S.W. along the
coast of Sicily. at sundown wind hauled to
the Westward heading in shore. and Point
Rosello light house bears S.W. by E distant about
6 miles. at 8 P.M. tacked off shore. Middle
and latter part wind from N.W. beating
along the coast of Sicily saw a Pomback
fin breeze.

Lat $37^{\circ}12'$ North
Long $12^{\circ}40'$ East

Tuesday 8th

Commenced with fine breeze
from the S.W. working to the Northward &
Westward along south coast of Sicily. lots of
vessels in company with us. at sundown the
Town of Mazzara bears N.W. by E distant 16 miles
off. mid part heading West and the
strong breeze doubled reefed the lar sails at 3 P.M.
worn ship to heading S.W. by E. latter part moderate
fine weather. the Sirén flote that goes on the
bottom and hold the largest Bobbery broke. took
a large plank and put out the Horse pipes for a
preventer until we get where we can get it fixed.
at 12 M. the Town of Mazzara bears S.E.
by E distant 25 miles. about 15 vessels beating
with us.