

Journal of the Bark John Dawson, cruising in the
Tuesday 13th March 1866

Commenced with
light breezes from the Eastward heading
to the S.W. at 2 P.M. spoke the Bark
Callio, at sundown shortened sail latter
part fine weather, at 7 P.M. kept off S.W.
and the Callio also at 7 P.M. raised two
whale Boats, steered for them, and the 3rd mate
found them to be the Triton and the 3rd mate
Mr. Man came on board and the other Boat
went on board the Callio, they had struck the
whale the morning before and had run them
out of sight to the windward. at 10 P.M.
saw a Bark to the leeward supposed to be the
Triton.

Wednesday 14th

Lat 32° 50' S

Commenced with light breezes
from the Eastward, at 2 P.M. took the Triton.
Boats along side and cut him in and the
Callio took the crew to the Triton and at 8
P.M. we spoke her, and are to have a third
of the whale which is a small cow at 8 P.M.
shortened sail and come to with main topsail
aback heading S.S.E. latter part heading
to the N.W. watch engaged in balling &c

Lat 33° 15' South
Long 47° 53' West

South Atlantic Ocean James Cattle Master
Thursday 15th

Commenced with light
breezes from the Northward heading S.W.
watch engaged in balling &c at dark
spoke the Callio & Triton at 10 P.M.
cooled down & put the great lea on
latter part at 7 P.M. the Captain of
the Triton ship came on board, to
divide the oil, and raised a school of sperm
whales going to the westward lowered and all
three ships meted, so ends with light air
and clearing whales, the Triton raised the whales
Lat 33° 23' South

Friday 16th

Commenced with light air from
N.W. chasing whales to the westward
at 10 P.M. the 3rd mate of the Callio struck
and got his Boat stove and lost the whales
The rest of the Boats chased until dark
and give them up without success got on board
at 9 o'clock ship heading East latter part
set all sail with a fine breeze at 8 P.M.
kept off N.W. and the Triton & Callio
to watch engaged taking off fat &c & breaking
out for water &c

Lat 33° 10' South
Long 47° 14' West