

Journal of the Bark John Dawson in the South
Thursday March 22nd 1866

Commences with fine breezes from the Southward steering East saw Grampasses, watch engaged overhauling footropes & making spungarn &c at sundown shortened sail to come to on the starboard tack heading S.E. mid-part come to with the main topsail aback latter part splended weather set all & steered off E.N.E. and at 10 steered N.E. & watch engaged working in the rigging. &c saw Grampasses.

Lat 32° 41' South
Long 45°

Friday 23rd

Commences with light from the Southward steering S.W. at 4 P.M. luffed by the wind heading S.W. watch engaged drawing & putting yarn &c at sundown shortened sail. Saw two Brigs steering S.E. mid-part wind veered around to the N.E. heading E.S.E. latter part splended weather set all sail. at 8 A.M. wore ship heading N.E. & saw lots of Grampasses. watch engaged drawing & putting yarn &c

Lat 32° 02' South
Long 45° 58' West

Saturday 24th

Commences with light breezes from the N.E. heading N.E. & W. saw Grampasses watch engaged making spungarn &c at sundown wore ship & took in sail heading E.S.E. latter part weather still continues fine set all sail. saw Grampasses &c Lat 32° 34' South Long 45° 47' West

Atlantic Ocean James Coltho Master
Sunday 25th

Commences with light breezes from the N.E. heading E.S.E. watch engaged washing ship in side &c & if we could only get a wheel for we are dreadful poor, at sundown shortened sail. latter part weather still continues fine. set all sail heading East at 12 M. Frank Mendy raised a large lone whale going no way in particular towards two boats



Lat 33° 00' South
Long 44° 02' West

Monday 26th

Commences with light breezes from the Northward chasing a whale at 2 P.M. he went through a slick and galled him so he went to the windward chased until sundown came on board and shortened sail heading N.E. & W. mid-part working to the Northward under short tacks. latter part wind from the Northward stood on several tacks, thick foggy weather.

Lat 32° 55' South
Long 44° 29' West

Tuesday 27th

Commences with brisk breezes from the Northward heading N.E. at 5 A.M. saw the old fellow with a 80 barrel whale along side and spoke the Atto. had seen whales several times, here at sundown shortened sail mid-part wind veered around S.W. latter part made sail steering E.S.E. at 10 steering N.E. so ends with fine weather. Lat 32° 33' South Long 45° 57' West