1700 circa - portolano francese
A Description of the Harbour of Trapani Vecchio.

Trapani.

Coming from the Northward, and designed for Trapani, keep the North point at a good distance, then head up E. by E., and anchor where you please off the town, in a 45 or 5 fathom. Here you are free from all winds, either by the North land, by the island to the Westward, and by the sound of the fair sands in the Northward.

There being 5 or 6 miles from the town, the ground is uneven and full of hollows. Hand no higher than 4 or 5 fathoms, the water rises about a fathom and made with a N.W. wind. A SSE. makes water high and stay. From thence to Marsala, the coast is South Western about 2 leagues; from thence to Portici it is about 10 leagues E. by W. The land is low to the water-side, and with the wind off Bona and no higher than 5 or 6 fathoms, because of reefs.

To the Northward, due east is the island of Strofelk, Lipari, Salina, Filicudi, Alicudi, and Ustica. The island fringed with cypress trees, and near from Mytilene N.W. If you would sail from the N.W. point of Mytilene to Naples, or Genoa, and sail N.W., you will be easily with Stromboli; near the island; under Stromboli, is a good road for Wellington winds.

Lipari lies between the point of Mytilene, W.N.W. 15 leagues, and from the point of Zycla N.E. by S. 10 leagues, to the Westward of which is Filicudi and Alicudi.

The island Alicudi and the bay Palermo lie between N.W. by S. 15 leagues, North of which is the island of Stromboli, S.W. 15 leagues; and on the island of Stromboli stands a little church, there is good rolling near the church.

Ustica and Alicudi lie between N.E. and S.W. 15 leagues.

The Craft of Barbary.

About 15 leagues S.E. from cape Alboros lies cape Cefalu, which makes the West entrance of the bay of Alboros, which is a large bay extending from cape Cefalu to cape Alboros, which two points form the bay.

Near cape Cefalu, and to the Northward of it, as far as the point of capes, for several rocky islands which are at the point of Alboros, the East point of the bay, is that varying from the height of the East and the Westward; you cannot pass near the land coming off. Being so, you have very good anchorage, both to the Westward and Eastward; but if you anchor about half a league E.S.E. from Alboros, you may anchor off in 4 or 5 fathoms water. But farther on, there is 15 or 20 fathoms, so you lie in the shallows, where you have the soundings, the best anchorage and distance of the land by inspection without further trouble. Only remember, that about two miles E.W. from cape Alboros, there is a dangerous ledge of rocks under water; and another above the same distance N.W., from the same cape. Also about 4 or 5 miles E.N.W. from the front point, there are two islands, one of which is very high, the fast5 o'clock is about a mile distant.

From cape Cefalu, to cape Filicudi, the coast is E. 35 leagues.

From cape Filicudi, to cape di Porto E. by N. 15 to 16 leagues, between which lie great bays.

From cape Porto to the island Gallina, the coast is E. by N. and E.N.E. 15 leagues.

Gallina lies about 30 leagues S.E. from Stromboli, and South Gallina, 30 or 32 leagues, and from the south Porta E. by N. and SSE. 20 leagues.

Gallina is a little island, not full half a leg, long, and lies nearly East and West, at the West end, and its eastern end towards the East end as a high point, with a sharp peak resembling a tower, near which there is some rocks side, but to the North-side is a good road for weatherly winds. This shore is full of rocks, unfordable, and has in the latitude of 37 degrees 10 minutes.

A large bays South West of the W. point of Gallina, lie some few rocks under water, which you must avoid. If you follow in a north under the island Gallina, coming from the N.Ward or East ward, run up the East point, where you may for the rocks, which you shall have on your Everhard-side, and passing them, you have 15, 15 to 16 fathoms, then full clear along without a cable's length of the East point, and then you have 15, 15 to 16 fathoms, and shall anchor there, lie in a sharp sea, and there you be weatherly and West Ward. You have all good bays before the island, or the rocks that lie at the eastern end of the island, but with Be圣经s N., you must mind the island, and ships in the narrow way where you need and had very much to be lost under Gallina, the coast.

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PIANO del Porto di TRAPANI}

1860 circa - portolano
1860/70 veduta da un giornale d'epoca