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Guide to the

**Brandywine logbook**

1848-1850

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## Summary

**Creator:** Brandywine (Frigate)

**Title:** Brandywine logbook

**Date:** 1848-1850

**Size:** .42 linear feet (3 volumes)

**Abstract:** These logbooks (3 vols.) of the frigate Brandywine were kept from June 6, 1848-December 11, 1850. The Brandywine was the flagship of Commodore George W. Storer, and Charles Boarman was Captain. The logs are contemporary copies kept while the ship was stationed in the harbor of Rio de Janeiro and off Montevideo. Logs list officers on board and record weather conditions; routine occupations of the crew; gun practice; crew desertions; court martials; activities of other ships in the region, noting home ports and destinations. Logs contain occasional entries of William Talbot Truxtun until he left the ship on December 16, 1848 to report for duty on board the "Perry." Entry for January 25, 1850 notes receipt on board of a box containing the remains of Commodore George W. Rogers brought from Buenos Aires on board the "St. Louis," by order of the Secretary of the Navy, for relay to the United States. March 10, 1850 entry records transfer of the remains and tombstone to the "Lexington" for conveyance to the United States. The log ends with the return of the ship to Wallabout Bay, Brooklyn, New York.

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**Related Materials:**

Letterbook in these papers contains log of the Brandywine from 1829

## Key Terms

## Subjects

Logbooks  
Warships -- United States

**Geographic Names**

Montevideo (Uruguay)  
Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

**Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Ships' logs

**Names**

Brandywine (Frigate)  
Boarman, Charles, 1795-1879  
Rogers, George W.  
Storer, George Washington  
Truxtun, William Talbot, 1824-1887  
United States. Navy