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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

Access: Advance notice required.

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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