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Guide to the

**H.M.S. Mars and H.M.S. Formidable logbook**

1862-1863

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## Summary

**Creator:** Mars (Ship)

**Title:** H.M.S. Mars and H.M.S. Formidable logbook

**Date:** 1862-1863

**Size:** .06 linear feet (1 volume)

**Abstract:** This volume contains logbooks of the H.M.S. Mars and the H.M.S. Formidable. The Mars was captained by James Newburgh Strange, and this log was kept by Midshipman Frederick John Rendell from January 1, 1862 through February 7, 1863. It contains fourteen maps, four pen sketches, and two watercolor sketches, and it was kept while cruising in the Levant, stopping at Athens, Beirut, Larnaka, and other locations, thence to Spithead, England. The logbook of the H.M.S. Formidable, bearing the flag of Vice Admiral Sir William Johnstone Hope and captained by William Garnham Luard, was also kept by Rendell. Entries were made from February 8-May 2, 1863, while the ship was at Sheerness, England.

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## Key Terms

### Geographic Names

Athens (Greece)

Beirut (Lebanon)

Larnaca (Cyprus)

Sheerness (England)

Spithead Channel (England)

### Subjects

Logbooks

### Genre/Physical Characteristic

Maps

Ships' logs

Sketches  
Watercolors (paintings)

**Names**

Mars (Ship)  
Hope, William Johnstone, Sir  
Luard, William Garnham  
Rendall, Frederick John  
Strange, James Newburgh, 1812-1894  
Formidable (Battleship)  
Great Britain. Royal Navy