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Personal journal of Captain Arthur Darley, R.N.
1842 January 1-1843 February 3

Abstract: Personal journal kept by Captain Arthur Darley of the British Royal Navy aboard the HMS Electra describing his travels throughout Bermuda, the West Indies, Jamaica, Honduras, Colombia, Havana, Belize, and Galveston, Texas, from January 1, 1842 through February 3, 1843.
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Historical Note

Arthur Darley commanded the sloop HMS *Electra* based in the West Indies. He was a captain in the British Royal Navy during the period he was in charge of this sloop. The journal is a personal narrative of his experiences on board and in port, including discussions of his dinner companions and fellow captains of companion HMS ships as well as the flora and fauna of the ports.

Sources:

Information derived from the collection.
Scope and Content Note

Captain Arthur Darley kept this journal on board the HMS Electra while serving in the British Royal Navy in the West Indies and visiting ports in the Gulf of Mexico. He reported weather, latitude, and longitude, however, the journal is a very personal account of official duties, fishing, life aboard ship, and aspects of ports visited including Bermuda, Jamaica, Honduras, Colombia, Havana, Belize, and Galveston, Texas. The journal also recounts court martial trials, of which Captain Darley was a sitting member, and the punishments meted out.

The journal is one bound volume, circa 120 pages, with entries in ink.
Selected Search Terms

Personal Names
Darley, Arthur, fl. 1842-1843--Diaries.

Corporate Names
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Topical Terms
Great Britain. Royal Navy--Officers--Diaries.
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Captains (military officers)--Diaries.

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