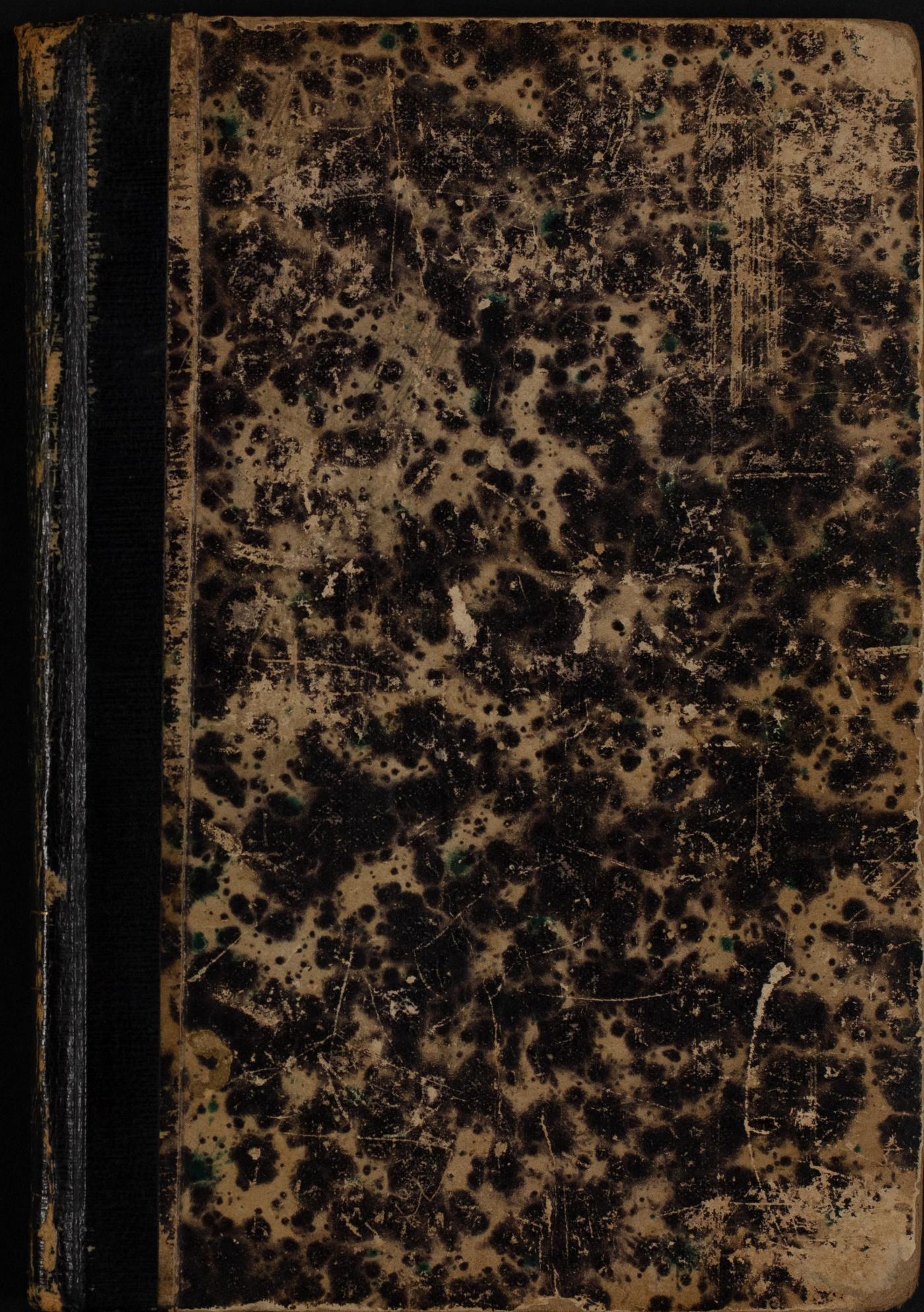








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Private Journal of  
Clippers Ship Fearless

J. F. Tilton

master

From Boston to Madras  
India



Ship Fearless from  
Boston to Madras

Left Tudor & Co Wharf  
Tuesday at 10 o'clock in tow of main  
steamer E. W. Cates and proceeded  
down the harbor. Came to anchor  
in light house channel with put a  
anchor 35 fathoms of chain.  
wind E. N. E. very light

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>  
wind N. E. & snowing hard got  
ship under weigh and went  
back to the roadstead for  
safty came to again at 4 o'clock  
P.M. with put anchor with 35 fms  
of chain.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Wind hauled to W. N. W. the  
weather thick. at 10 a.m. got  
under weigh & proceed to sea  
at 11 a.m. discharged the Pilot  
Mr. Burrows. with Boston light  
bearing N. by W 1/2 mile distant  
made all sail with light W. N. W.  
wind and proceeded out of Boston  
Bay



at 8 a.m. raised Race pt light  
bearing S.S.W. 10 miles dist at 9.15  
made Highland light (Cape Cod)  
bearing N.W. true 18 miles

at 11 o'clock Nausett lights S.W. 1/2  
West 10 miles dist from which I  
take my departure at dark the  
wind hauled to the S.S.W.  
at 8 a.m. wind hauled back to N.E.  
and breezes up hard took all light  
sails & double reefed the topsails.  
at daylight Friday morning  
made all sail again.

at 12 o'clock noon hard breezes  
and cloudy at times. Ship  
making a great deal of water  
which I don't like to see  
Lat obs.  $40^{\circ}13'$  N. Long.  $68^{\circ}13'$  W  
Barometer 30.20 & raising fast  
one day out

P.S. My second mate deserted me just as  
I was about to leave. I had another  
man sent on board in his place  
and made a 2<sup>nd</sup> from the forecabin  
who I think is a good man

Saturday Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

Winds Throughout the first part hard  
N.W. breezes and squalls. at 8 P.M. took  
gales. in the I.E. sails & 2 reefed the fore  
& main topsails & furled the main  
sail. also close reefed the mizzen  
topsail. then let her run which she  
did ~~do~~ nicely she steers like a  
pilot and sails first rate & looks  
like the devil. took the anchors in  
& stowed them for the passage &  
unbent the chains. Per  
Lat obs  $37^{\circ}48'$  N. Long  $64^{\circ}21'$  W  
Barometer 30.30.

Sunday Feb 12<sup>th</sup>

Winds this day throughout strong breezes  
N.W.W. with passing rain squalls and  
very large sea running all sail  
set

Lat obs.  $36^{\circ}43'$  North  
Long  $60^{\circ}03'$  West. Barom 30.28.



Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

This day comes in with strong breezes  
Wind and cloudy and continues so until  
S. M. night when it came on. but at 10 P.M.  
commenced to shorten sail. took in  
Royal & G. sails & tried to close up  
the topsails made out to close up the  
fore topsail but the main could not  
do it on account of the reef tackle giving  
away had to furl it to save it  
also furlled the Mizzen topsail.  
fore sail & mainsail & then let the  
ship run under the close reefed fore  
topsail fore topmast staysail &  
Main Spencer ship laboring hard  
& taking a great deal of water, on deck  
Tuesday 14

Comes on with hard gales at 5  
P.M. it moderated a little set the  
main topsail double reefed also the  
fore sail wind hauled to N. N. W.  
at 10 P.M. set the main top gall sail  
at daylight made all sail breezes  
moderate. took the quarter Boat  
in & stowed her on the main hatch  
Lat obs.  $34^{\circ} 39' N.$  } Barom 30.  
Long  $54^{\circ} 21' W$

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> of Feb

Comes in with light airs and inclined  
to calm at 11.30 P.M. tacked ship  
to East & North with a smart breeze  
took in main Royal at 2.30 a.m.  
took in S. G. sails at 5 a.m. double  
reefed the topsails & reefed the  
Mainsail. wind S. S. E. at 8 a.m.  
wind hauled to S. M. squared in  
the yards and let her run for it  
crossed the fore & Mizzen Royal  
yards -rove new fore Royal braces  
 $2\frac{1}{4}$  in rope -  
Ship making a great deal of  
water I don't like the look of it  
Lat obs.  $33^{\circ} 52' N$  -  
Long  $51^{\circ} 39' W$  -  
Barometer. 29.60 & falling  
5 days out

Decks full of water

Carried away the fore gale  
Boat & mast



Thursday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

S. This day comes with hard gales from S.S.W. with a heavy sea running deck & upper cabin full of water most of the time. at 12 o'clock midnight took in the mainsail & close reefed the fore & mizzen topsails. latter part of the day continues with heavy gales from W.N.W. with a fearful sea running ship laboring hard & making a great deal of water 5 in per hour -  
 Lat Obs 33° 05' North  
 Long Obs 48° 35' West -  
 distance run 308 miles this day  
 Barometer 29.50  
 7 days out

Friday 17<sup>th</sup>

Comes in with hard gales with an awfull sea running at 2 30 P.M. started & lost some of our bullwarks at dark moderated a little. at daylight quit moderate set all drawing sail latter part very good breeze with passing squalls.  
 Lat Obs 31° 50' North  
 Long Obs 42° 05' W Barom 29.90

Saturday Feb 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day begins with moderate breeze and pleasant all sail set Midnight the same - at 3 P.M. took in Royals & Fore & Mizzen & Ball sails. latter part hard breeze with passing squalls - wind S.S.E & S.W. & E.  
 Lat Obs 31° 21' North  
 Long Obs 38° 40' West -  
 Barometer 29.80

Sunday Feb 19<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day comes in with fresh breeze & squally weather look threatening at 2 P.M. took in the main & fore sail. at 3 P.M. saw a steamer bound to the westward at 5 P.M. reefed the mainsail & mizzen topsail at 8 double reefed the fore & main topsails & furlled the main sail. one continual flash of lightning from west to N.E. latter part more moderate set mainsail & sparker exchanged Long with North German Brig Gerhard - 10 days out

Reve new mizzen 36 lbs. 24 in 42 lbs  
 new main 1.5 lbs. 24 in 22 lbs

Lat Obs 32° 27' North  
 Long Obs 35° 27' West  
 Barom 30 in Hg



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Windsor S. S. S. S.

Tuesday Feb 21<sup>st</sup> 77

Windsor S. S. C.

Wednesday Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>

Lat.  $29^{\circ}15'$  N  
Long.  $36^{\circ}44'$  W  
Baromet. 29.74.

Thursday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

14 days



Friday Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout this day light breeze  
from S.S.E. with very fine clear weather  
a Ship & a Bark in sight standing  
to the northward -

Lat Obs  $27^{\circ} 09'$  North  
Long Obs  $30^{\circ} 39'$  West } Baromet 29.80

14 days out

Saturday Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light baffling breeze  
Wind from South to S.E. at 5 P.M. tracked

S. Ship to S.S.E. at 10 P.M. good breeze

S.S.E. from W.S.W. with passing rain

& squalls & continues so throughout

W.S.W. the remainder of the day

Lat Obs  $25^{\circ} 17'$  North } Barom 29.85

15 Long Obs  $35^{\circ} 13'$  West

15 days out

Sunday Feb 26<sup>th</sup>

This day throughout moderate breeze  
from S & S.S.W. with a dull heavy overcast  
sky. a heavy N.E. swell running

Lat Obs  $23^{\circ} 43'$  N

Long Obs  $32^{\circ} 40'$  W

Baromet 30.10

Monday Feb 27<sup>th</sup>

Comes in with baffling breeze  
with rain. continues so throughout  
the night latter part pleasant  
took the N.E. trades. sent fore  
topmast stering sail boom aloft  
& saw the gear

Lat Obs  $22^{\circ} 12'$  North

Long Obs  $32^{\circ} 01'$  West -

Baromet 30.15

Tuesday Feb 28<sup>th</sup>

Throughout this day have had good  
N.E. trades with fine clear weather  
set the fore topmast stud sails  
also lower stud sail -

Lat Obs  $19^{\circ} 07'$  N } Barom 30.15

Long Obs  $31^{\circ} 10'$  West

18 days out

Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

Throughout these 24 hours have  
had good strong N.E. trades  
with fine weather crew variously  
employed. fitted new main  
clew ropes  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in rope

Lat Obs  $15^{\circ} 21'$  N Long  $30^{\circ} 08'$  W

Barom 29.92



Thursday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

20 days out  
Throughout this day moderate  
trades weath' hazy this afternoon  
found the Mizen topmast backstay  
rotten on both sides under some fancy  
mats which were put on this by Jany  
officers of the ship last voyage  
went to work and fitted & prevented  
backstays to set up with tackles  
to the buntlines aft  
Lat Obs 12° 10' North } Barom 29.90  
Long Obs 29° 08' W }

Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> 71

these 24 hours come in with light  
wind trades & hazy. at 4 P.M. passed a  
fine large 5 topmast yard ship standing to  
E.S.E. wind - looked like a French man  
to bent a mizen topmast staysail -  
East Lat Obs 9° 50' North.

Long 28° 59' West - } Barom 29.90  
28 miles westerly current  
21 days out

Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup> 71

Throughout these 24 hours have had  
wind light trades with fine weather  
from a 9 P.M. spoke American Bark  
East Eva Fisk bound to New York  
to E.M. don't know as he got our name  
hope he did

Lat Obs 7° 21' North  
Long Obs 27° 52' West -  
Barometer 29.90.  
22 days out

Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> 71

Throughout this 24 hours light  
trades & pleasant saw a large  
ship standing to the N.W.,  
also saw a Bark in company  
Lat Obs 4° 39' North } Bar 29.85  
Long Obs 27° 20' West }

Monday March 6<sup>th</sup>

this day comes in with moderate  
breeze latter part doldrums with  
rain crew at work cleaning ship  
Lat Obs 2° 48' N } Bar 29.89  
Long 28° 44' W }



Tuesday March 7<sup>th</sup>/71

Throughout this day light baffling  
air with passing rain showers

Lat<sup>t</sup> Obs 13° 3' North

Long " 20° 24' W

Easterly current 20 miles

25 days out

Barom. 29.82

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>/71

Throughout this day light baffling  
air and pleasant.

20 fms. new main reef tackle also new

30 fms. main topmast staysail halyards 2 3/4

18 " flying jib downhaul 2 1/2

Lat<sup>t</sup> Obs 1° 09' North } Barom 29.84

Long Obs 27° 08' W

25 days out

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>

Then 24 hours have had light  
breeze from S.E. with fine weather

at 9 a.m. spoke English Bark

Ceraca 97 days from sonal when

bound to Cork, exchanged long

Bow with him

2984 varnished poop deck

Lat<sup>t</sup> Obs 40° 3' S. Long 27° 53' West

Friday March 10<sup>th</sup>

Begins with light baffling breeze  
with heavy passing clouds -

Wind at 11.30 P.M. took a heavy squall

split fore topgall sail all to pieces

There is not enough of it left to

make a flying jib to a wheelbarrow

S.S.E. passed at Bark going North also

passed one in company -

Lat<sup>t</sup> Obs 14° 4' South

Long Obs 28° 31' West

Barom 28. inches

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>

Comes in with moderate breeze &  
squally with rain, latter part good

breeze & pleasant. Crew at work

repairing topgall sail also varnishing

the decks & sail in sight ahead

Lat<sup>t</sup> Obs 3° 38' South Long 30. 41 W

Baromet 29.79

29 days out -



Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup>/11

This day throughout good trades  
& pleasant - at 11.30 P.M. spoke the  
Schooner Heelen Moor - 34 days from  
New York for Pernambuco also saw  
2 other schooners & a ship in company  
with fore topgall mast gone passed  
them all & left them astern

Lat Alt 7.02 S } Baromet 29.80  
Long 32°35' W }  
30 days out

Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

Throughout this day have had light  
trades & pleasant & passed 9 sail going  
to the northward - A.M. set  
a topgall stud sail on the jib  
board for a Bull driver

Lat Alt 10°01' S } Baromet 29.82  
Long " 33°58' W }

Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup>

This day throughout light trades & beautiful  
weather crew at work setting down main  
rigging found main royal stay parted  
Passed a Spanish Bark.

Lat Alt 12°47' S } 29.84  
Long 34°31' West }

Wednesday March 15<sup>th</sup>/11

This day comes in with light  
battering airs and hot as the devil  
throughout the night the same  
with passing rain squalls -  
crew at work setting down the  
main Rigging

Lat Alt 14°30' South } Bar 29.80  
Long " 35°41' West }  
33 days out

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>/11

Throughout these 24 hours - have  
had light trades (very light) with  
pleasant weather crew at work setting  
down the fore rigging. Backsails

Lat Alt 15°15' S } 29.80 Bar  
Long " 35°51' W }

passed two Brigs one in company

Friday March 17<sup>th</sup>

These 24 hours have had light trades  
and pleasant weather passed a ship  
middle watch going same way -  
a Barkentine to windward in company

Lat Alt 18°29' S } Baromet 29.90  
Long " 35°11' West }  
35 days out



Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Wreck Comes in with baffling breezes  
for and rain with heavy thunder &  
E.S.E. sharp lightning all the S.W.  
to exchanged signals with Spanish  
S.S.E. Barkentine Peñillo from Barcelona  
he was lost I think as his longitude  
was six degrees from mine.  
parted the forescope of the jib under  
it & bent the new one

Lat Obs 21° 04' S } Barom. 30.08  
Long " 34° 47' W }  
38 days out

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>

Throughout this day moderate  
trade & fine weather

set for topmast stud sail  
Lat Obs 24° 17' S } Bar. 30.02  
Long " 33° 31' W }

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout this day light breeze from East  
East with fine weather. Shifted the Mizzen topsail

Lat Obs 28° 21' South } Barometer 30.10  
Long. 32° 47' West }  
37 days out

Tuesday March 21<sup>st</sup> 1871

Comes in with light breeze from East  
with fine weather throughout the night  
moderate with a heavy fall of rain  
latter part hot & pleasant with moderate  
breeze from E.N.E. set fore topmast & lower  
stud sails again -

Lat obs 28° 17' South } Barometer 30.10  
Long " 31° 33' West }  
38 days out

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871

This day throughout good breeze &  
pleasant shifted the courses. Main  
topsail Mizzen Topgall'sail & Royal and  
the flying jib & Spanker -

Lat Obs 30.27 South } Barom 30.10  
Long " 29° 47' West }  
39 days out

Thursday March 23<sup>rd</sup> 1871

Comes in and continues with strong  
Wind breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather

N.E. shifted Main I.G. sail & fore topsail  
S.E. & N

Lat Obs 32° 33' South } Barom 29.95  
Long " 26° 35' West }  
dist run 235 miles -  
40 days out



Friday March 24<sup>th</sup>

Commences with fresh breezes from  
S.E. & N and cloudy. Middle  
watch fresh breeze with a heavy fall  
of rain took Studdsails & Royal at  
2 am wind shifted to S.S.W. &  
rained like blizzards latter part  
moderate breeze from S & S.E.  
Lat Alt 33° 30' S } Barom 30.08  
Long " 22° 02' W

41 days out

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>

This day commences with moderate breeze  
from S.E. & E sky overcast at midnight  
wind & S.E. tacked ship to S.S.W.  
saw a Bark in company -  
latter part light breeze and pleasant  
with an awfull large S.W. swell  
running from S.W. ship rolling hard -  
bent new main topmast stay sail.

Lat Alt 33° 40' S } Barom 30.10.  
Long " 20° 48' West }  
42 days out

Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day commences with light breeze  
from E.S.E. weather thick & cloudy -  
at 8 P.M. wind shifted to N.W. in a rain  
squall. Throughout the remainder of the  
day have had strong breezes from  
west to S.W. set starboard Studdsails  
Lat Alt 34° 20' S } Barom 30.02  
Long " 17° 52' W  
43 days out

Monday March 27<sup>th</sup>

Came in with strong breeze & pleasant  
with a large S.W. swell running ship  
rolling hard - took in studdsails &  
hailed up sharp by the wind.  
at 6 P.M. took in Fore & Mizzen  
Royal latter part moderate & pleasant  
set Royal again

Lat Alt 34° 35' S } Barom 30.18  
Long " 14.03 W  
strong N.E. current  
44 days out



Tuesday March 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

These 24 hours set in with light breeze from S.S.W. with a very heavy swell from S.W. ship rolling heavily.

at 2 a.m. wind hauled to W. and heaved up gently set the starboard studdsails.

ends with good breeze & pleasant

Lat Alt 33° 12' S } Barom 30.18

Long " 11° 48' W

45 days out

Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup>

Throughout the first part of this day strong breeze & pleasant at 5 P.M. parted

topmast studdsail tack & lower halyards

took the sails in or at least they took

themselves in. latter part foggy with

strong breeze at day passed over a

shoal place with much discolored

sea quarters of rock weed -

Lat Alt 30° 20' South } Barom 30.15

Long " 8° 29' W

48 days out

Thursday March 30<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout these 24 hours light breeze from S.W. & S.S.W. with foggy & a large swell from S.W.

Lat Alt 37° 04' S } Barom 30.25

Long " 3° 57' W

47 days out

Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>

Commences with light breeze from N.W.

with pleasant weather at dark wind

N.W. & shifted studdsails over to port -

latter part moderate & cloudy wind

E.N.E.

Lat Alt 37° 33' South } Ba 30.25

Long " 2° 04' W

48 days out

Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

This day comes in with good breeze from

N.E. & cloudy throughout the

remainder of the day strong breeze

from N.E. with fine weather (warmer)

Lat Alt 38° 23' S } 30, or Bar

Long " 1° 21' East

49 days out



# Boston to Madras

Sunday ~~March~~ April 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

This day throughout strong breezes and fine weather. This morning crew all came aft to see about their grub: But Bad dam bad L. Looked into the matter & threw the But overboard

Lat  $39^{\circ}42'S$  Bar 29.90  
Long  $8^{\circ}28'E$

50 days out

Monday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

This day throughout lively breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather

sails Lat  $39^{\circ}59'S$  Bar 29.90  
Long  $11^{\circ}08'E$

51 days out

Tuesday April 4<sup>th</sup>

Throughout this day have had repairing moderate breeze from N.E. to E.N.E. sails with smooth water -

Lat  $40^{\circ}22'S$  Bar 29.60

Long  $15^{\circ}09'E$  & falling

52 days out

Wednesday April 5<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with fresh gales from N.W.E. and rainy A.M. gales increasing with heavy squalls. Took in fore & Mizzen Topgallant sails. & reefed the fore & Mizzen Topsails & reefed the mainsail. at 12 o'clock (noon) raised hell. continued

Lat  $40^{\circ}20'S$  Bar 29.49

Long  $20^{\circ}45'E$

Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup> (old Bill layed up)

Came in big ship a sea over the starboard quarter started at the bullwarks at the break of the poop took the dead light out of my room & filled it half full of water. shuted down sail and kept the ship dead before the sea in order to repair

damages. got things fixed up and made sail again. this ship is a damned old trap, I dare not carry sail for fear of her tumbling to pieces. she is a nice fine weather ship but not worth a dam in heavy weather. I think she will be ready to sell by the time I get done with her -

Lat  $40^{\circ}07'S$  Long  $24^{\circ}44'E$  Bar 29.80

53 days out

54 days out



Friday April 7<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with fresh gales & pleasant  
at 3 P.M. moderate turned  
up out of main & sprit & Jansen's  
at night out all sails and  
made all sail latter part  
moderate & pleasant set starb  
studsails

Lat Obs  $39^{\circ}47'S$  } Barom 30.30  
Long "  $27^{\circ}49'E$   
55 days out

Saturday Apr 8<sup>th</sup>

These 24 hours set in with light  
baffling breezes from S.W. to west with  
pleasant weather. at 10 P.M. shifted  
to N.E. very light at 5 a.m. to  
S.East. (light) ends with light  
breezes from East-

Lat Obs  $40^{\circ}07'S$  } Barom 30.30  
Long "  $29^{\circ}15'E$   
56 days out

Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

These 24 hours have had light  
breezes from East to N.W. with fine  
clear weather.

57 days out Lat Obs  $40^{\circ}38'S$  } Barometer 30 inches  
Long "  $32^{\circ}00'E$

Monday April 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with fresh breezes from S.W. with  
a thick mist took in studsails &  
royals. at 4 P.M. wind increasing weather looks  
dirty took in J.G. sails. at 9 P.M. clear &  
pleasant with lively breezes set main J.G.  
sail middle watch fresh gales and pleasant  
at 1 a.m. the aurora Australis was very  
bright. blood red - at 4 a.m. double  
reefed the Fore & mizzen topsails &  
single reefed the main also reefed the  
main sail. quite a heavy sea running  
considerable water on deck. filled the  
quarter boat & c.

Lat Obs  $40^{\circ}23'S$  } Barometer 30.25  
Long "  $30^{\circ}45'E$   
58 days out

Tuesday April 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day came in with strong gales &  
cloudy. with a heavy sea running  
latter part more moderate out all  
reefs & set J.G. sails -

Lat Obs  $39^{\circ}57'S$  } Barom 30.40  
Long "  $41^{\circ}08'E$   
59 days out



Clipper Ship "Fearless"  
Wednesday April 12<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with lively breeze and pleasant with a heavy S.W. sea running decks full of water. Ends the same set main Rye. Lat by D. R.  $39^{\circ}35'S$  Barometer 30.30 Long " D. R.  $48^{\circ}03'E$

Sun obscure no obs - 60 days out  
Thursday April 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with strong breeze and cloudy middle & latter part slight baffling breeze and sky overcast.

Lat Abn  $39.13S$  Barometer 30.12  
Long Abn  $49.22E$

61 days out

Friday April 14<sup>th</sup>

This day throughout fine breeze & fine weather all sail set wind North East - and pleasant

Lat Abn  $38.53'S$  Barometer 30 in  
Long "  $53^{\circ}50'E$

62 days out  
Old Bill layed up still

From Boston towards Madras -

Saturday April 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

The 24 hours brisk breeze and pleasant parted Mizzen topsail sheet

Lat Abn.  $38.37'S$  out Barometer 30 inches  
Long "  $59.45'E$

63 days out

Bill & the Carpenter layed up

Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup>

Came in with hard breeze & pleasant at 2 P.M. in Mizzen topsail & flying jib at 5 P.M. took in fore & main topsails and reefed the

Mizzen topsail & spanker at 7 P.M. breeze increasing to a hard gale. I reefed the topsails & reefed the mainsail. Midnight close reefed the Mizzen topsail & furled the main sail jib spanker & main & main stays. Lat part more moderate again made a little sail

Lat Abn  $37^{\circ}57'S$  Barometer 30.04 steady  
Long  $64^{\circ}00'E$

64 days out



Monday April 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in with fresh gales from N.E. & N. with dirty looking weather at 4 P.M. close reefed the fore topsail through the night continued the same latter part more moderate weather looking better turned the close reefs out of fore & Mizzen topsails also doubled out of main topsail & set whole mainsail.

Lat  $37^{\circ}09'S$  } Baromet 30.10

Long "  $67^{\circ}17'E$

65 days out

Tuesday April 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with strong breeze weather looking a little better out all reefs and set J.G. sails. day light set all sail latter part light baffling breeze from S.E. to N.W.

Lat  $38.40'S$  } Barom. 30.18

Long "  $70.14'E$

66 days out

Old Bill off duty sick

Wednesday April 19<sup>th</sup>

Comes in with strong breeze from South. to S.E. with a light easterly sea an at 7 P.M. breeze increasing also the sea took in Royals & J.G. stays through hard the night sea incoming took in J.G. sails to ease the ship latter part the same at noon ship pitching hard -

Lat  $34.12'S$  } Barom 30.15

Long "  $72.07$

67 days out

Thursday Comes in with hard breeze with a threatening overcast sky at 1 P.M. 2 reefed the topsails and reefed the mainsail at 4 P.M. close reefed the topsails furled the mainsail & reefed the foresail & furled the jib. from the looks an action of the weather & think there is a cyclone to the Northward of us the 4 o'clock which bears North thereon & put the ship under short sail to the the cyclone pass me at 11 a.m. took in the foresail Bent main spencer & set it ends with hard gales with a large sea running.

Lat  $33.25'S$  } Barom 30.20

Long  $72.20'E$

68 days out



Friday April 21<sup>st</sup>

This day throughout blowing like the H - C. Took in foresail & Mizzen topsails. at 11 P.M. set Mizzen topsail again at 12 midnight wore ship to E.S.E. latter part a little more moderate set Foresail reefed & the main topmast staysail.

Lat  $33^{\circ}41'$  South } Barom 30.10

Long  $72^{\circ}58'$  East } & steady  
59 days out this is to Ball

Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Still blowing like hell straight dead in end. - dam the luck -

Lat  $34^{\circ}05'S$  } Barom 30.06.

Long  $74^{\circ}29'E$  }

70 days out

Sunday April 23

Calm in & continues the same as yesterday.

Lat  $34^{\circ}24'S$  } Barom 30 inches

Long  $75^{\circ}11'E$  } & inclined to fall  
about time I think

71 days out

Monday April 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with fresh gale with heavy passing rain clouds. it is inclined to moderate. at 8 P.M. moderate & rain turned up out of fore sail & on up out of main topsail

latter part smart breeze and squally out all up & set fore & main T.G. sails -

Lat  $33^{\circ}59'S$  } Barom 29.94

Long  $75^{\circ}29'E$  }  
72 days out

Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup>

this day begins with strong breeze from N.W. with a heavy easterly swell running

latter part moderate & fine set the Reysals

Lat  $33.33'S$  } Baromet 30. inches

Long  $79.04'E$  }  
73 days out

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

Begins with light air and calm

9 P.M. wore ship to N.W. with a light breeze from N.E. ends with moderate

74 days gale from N.E. Lat  $32.105$  } Bar 30.40  
out Long obs  $77^{\circ}11'E$  }



Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>

Comes in with fresh breezes and cloudy shortened sail from T.E. sails to & close reef topsails. This is the eighth day that we have been under reef & close reef most of the time. Wind hangs to the N.W. & N.E. all the time. (I am sick)

Lat  $30.19^{\circ}$  S? Bar 29.90

Long "  $75.45^{\circ}$  E

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>

Comes on as usual a gale of wind ship under close reef. At daylight wore ship to E.N.E. the wind then died out to a calm. afterwards breezed up at S.E. and lasted 3 hours. since then it has been all round the compass and a sea running from all points of the compass - also raining hard.

Lat by DR.  $29.36^{\circ}$  S? Bar 29.60

Long " DR.  $75.10^{\circ}$  E

75 days out

Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup>

Comes in with fresh gale and rainy furlled the foresail. At night sharp lightning all around the horizon with heavy thunder. took in the mizen topsail. I never saw so much lightning before. one continual flash all the time. latter part calm and very pleasant out all reef and made all sail.

Lat  $29.55^{\circ}$  S? Bar 29.75

Long "  $75.28^{\circ}$  E

77 days out

Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day comes in with very light air from N.W. and very pleasant the first real nice pleasant day we have had this month. latter part moderate breeze and clear dry weather.

Lat  $28.46^{\circ}$  S? Barometer 29.80

Long "  $75.18^{\circ}$  E

78 days out



Monday May 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

This day throughout light baffling breeze from N.W. to N.E. crew at work repairing main sail.

Mr Bray layed up with the rumatick.

Lat Ob.  $28^{\circ}00'S$  } Baromet 29.90

Long "  $77^{\circ}00'E$

79 days out

Tuesday May 2<sup>nd</sup>

This day throughout light baffling breeze and pleasant mate sick off duty

Lat Ob.  $28^{\circ}53'S$  } Barom 29.85

Long "  $79^{\circ}32'E$

80 days

Wednesday May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Came in with light breeze from N.W. and pleasant at day saw a large English Clipper ship on our starboard quarter which proved to be the

ship City of Sparta 72 days from Glasgow for Calcutta she has passed us and be blown to her.

Lat Ob.  $25^{\circ}33'S$  } Barom 29.82

Long "  $80^{\circ}27'E$

Sparta's Long  $80.31'E$

81 days out

Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with light baffling air with passing clouds. shifted 89 cases of Kerosene oil forward to trim ship the City of Sparta ahead and the Marquis of Wellington coming up with us hand over fist she is 83 days from Liverpool bound to Calcutta.

Lat Ob.  $23^{\circ}34'S$  } Barom 29.82

Long "  $82^{\circ}53'E$

82 days out

Friday May 5<sup>th</sup>

This day begins the same as yesterday with light air. at 11 P.M. wind hauled to west very light with a heavy swell running from west sent main J.P. Studdsail boom aloft. set the Topmast Lower & J.P. Studdsail

the Wellington & Sparta hauled down ahead.

Lat Ob.  $22^{\circ}06'S$  } Barom 29.84

Long "  $83^{\circ}06'E$

83 days out



Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in and ends with very light baffling airs.

The ship Margus of Wellington in sight. (the Sparta gone out of sight ahead)

Lat Obs 20° 58' S } Baromet. 29.85

84 days Long Obs. 83° 18' E

Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>

This day comes in with light baffling breeze and cloudy weather looks threatening. Latter part moderate breeze & pleasant wind E.S.E. trades I think

Lat Obs 19° 48' South } Barom 29.92

Long " 83° 20' East }  
dist from Madras 1974 miles

N 3° West - 85 days out

Monday May 8<sup>th</sup>

Came in with light trades & pleasant middle & latter parts - good trades. saw a large ship homeward bound crew at work at the rigging mate of duty sick

Lat Obs 17° 03' S } Barom 29.90

Long " 83.10 E }  
85 days out

Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout strong trades and pleasant crew at work at the rigging getting ship ready for port.

Lat Obs 13° 50' S } Barom 29.88

Long " 82.34 E

87 days out

Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

Strong trades and pleasant at 5 AM raised a sail ahead - daylight the ship ahead is the Margus of Wellington I think

Lat Obs 10° 59' South } Barom 29.80

Long " 82° 49' East }

88 days out

Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout moderate breeze from East to E.N.E. at night lightning all round the horizon

Latter part light breeze & pleasant

Lat Obs 7° 18' South } Barom 29.80

Long " 82° 28' E }

89 days out



Friday May 12<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in and ends with light  
trades & pleasant. Come up with and  
90 days exchanged signals with English  
from Warmian, the one I thought was  
British the Marquis of Wellington. I made  
chance a made a mistake in the signals

Lat Obs 5° 54' South } Barom 29.85  
Long " 83° 00' East }  
90 days out

Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup>

This day throughout light baffling breeze  
with passing rain showers. The Ship  
Warmian in company but dropping  
astern also passed a Ship & a Bark  
homeward bound -

Lat Obs 4° 44' S } Barom 29.80  
Long " 83° 19' E }  
91 days out

Mr Bray still off duty sick.

Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup>

Throughout this day moderate breeze  
with passing rain squalls. Saw a large  
Ship on the wind standing to the  
west South West.

Lat Obs 2° 57' South } Baromet 29.80  
92 days Long Obs. 83° 16' E }

Monday May 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout good breeze  
from north - with heavy passing clouds  
with rain at times. A large head  
sea running crew at work getting  
Ship ready for port -

Lat Obs 0° 23' S } Baromet 29.80  
Long " 83° 10' E }  
93 days out

Tuesday May 16<sup>th</sup>

These 24 hours brisk breeze &  
squally. Lots of lightning at the  
N.E. P.M. I.S.M. took Topmast studd  
sail & jib topsail latter part the  
same set. Topmast studd sail again  
all hand employed getting Ship  
ready for port

Lat Obs 2° 57' North } Bar 29.80  
Long " 83° 19' East }  
94 days out

Mr Bray still sick



Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with hard breeze from  
N. S. with heavy squalls with rain  
at 2 P.M. split the fore topmast &  
studsail & parted the main T. G.  
sheet in Royals & main T. Gall  
staysail ends. The same.

Lat Obs  $8^{\circ}49'$  North } Bar 29.75  
Long Obs  $83^{\circ}12'$  East }

Thursday May 18<sup>th</sup>

Came in very moderate & hazy  
got up chains & bent them & hauled  
the anchors on the rails from 5 to 8  
P.M. very sharp lightning over the land  
the remainder of the night moderate &  
pleasant - better part fresh breeze again  
at day light made the Island of Ceylon  
bearing from N. N. S. to S. S. W.

Lat Obs  $8^{\circ}44'$  North } Bar 29.75  
Long ..  $81^{\circ}52'$  East }

98 days out

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Came in with strong breeze &  
pleasant - at 9.30 P.M. came to  
anchor in Madras roadstead  
with port anchor in 7 fms &  
water with 35 fms of chain.



Ship Fearless from Madras

Saturday June 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

at 10 o'clock got underway and  
proceeded to sea - at 8 o'clock  
the light house bore N. by E. 1/2 N. 8 miles  
distant from which I take my  
departure.

Lat at noon 12° 34' N

Long " " 80° 54' E

Barometer 29.63.

4 months from home.

Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with moderate breezes  
and hazy. water smooth

Lat Abt 12° 02' N } Barometer 29.62

Long Abt 83° 10' E

1 day out

Monday June 12<sup>th</sup>

Came in with good breezes weather  
hazy. at 2 a.m. strong breeze  
with sharp lightning took in  
J.G. sails & flying jib at 10 a.m.  
had a heavy squall from N, N, W  
rain. reefed the main sail  
crew employed discharging saw

towards Penang

dust over the side

Lat Abt 10° 10' North } Bar 29.72

Long " 85° 35' East

Mate sick & off duty again

2 days out

Tuesday June 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day comes in with good breezes  
from S.E. weather hazy.

crew at work discharging sawdust -

set J.G. sails & flying jib & main J.G. sail  
staysail

Lat Abt 8° 50' North } Barom 29.72

Long Abt 87° 49' East

3 days out

Wednesday June 14<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in & continues throughout the  
day with strong breeze with heavy  
passing clouds -

crew at work discharging sawdust  
out for fuel

Lat Abt 7° 25' North } Barom 29.72

Long " 91° 31' East

Mate still off duty sick -

4 days out



Ship Fearless from

Thursday June - 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came on with fresh breeze and squally at 8 PM took in main & fore sail throughout the night. Hard breeze and cloudy. at 5.30 a.m.

Made Casuarina Island bearing N.E. at 9 a.m. 2 reefed the topsails & took in the spanker; ship

going 13 knots under double reef.

Lat 6° 24' N Baromet 29.76

Long " 94° 59' E

5 day out

Friday June - 16<sup>th</sup>

Came on with fresh breeze and cloudy

at 3 a.m. to a summer squall which

lasted 5 hours ship running 13 knots

passed a ship & a Bark on the wind

Bark lost his maintopsail

at noon Diamond point bore S 1/2 N 40

miles dist.

Lat 6° 04' N

Long " 97.39. E by Bearings } Bar 29.75

" " " 98° 11' she is 38 miles out

5 days out

Mate still off duty sick

Madras towards. Penang

Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup>



Ship "Fearless" Laying

in Port of Penang



Ship "Fearless" from Penang

Tuesday June 29<sup>th</sup> 1871

at 5 am. got underway & proceeded out of the south channel in charge of Capt Towars, the pilot light air & cloudy. plenty of thunder & lightning at 2 pm discharged the pilot and proceeded in charge of Mohamed Sar a native pilot. throughout the middle watch had a heavy fall of rain with heavy thunder & sharp lightning. latter part light baffling air & calms -  
Lat 4.48 North -

12 hours out

Saturday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

Commences with light baffling air and pleasant - at night heavy thunder & very sharp lightning, weather looking threatening at 3 am took in J. G. sails. at 5 am set them again.

Edward Abbot was this morning taken out of Iron. promising better behavior.

Lat Obs. 4.10 North

Long by bearings - 100.25 E

1 defaut

towards Singapore



Penang



Penang towards



# From Padang

Saturday Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> 1871

at 4 a.m. got under weigh & proceeded  
Sund out of the roads with all sail set  
throughout the remainder of the day  
light air & calms at noon P. M. 10 miles distant from which  
I take my departure

Lat 4° 15' S  
Long 100° 10' E

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>

Begins with light baffling air  
and continues the same throughout  
the day. at daylight made the  
Island of Sibont a head

Lat 1° 3' S  
Long 99° 30' E 1 day out

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Comes in with light baffling  
breeze at 4 P.M. got a breeze off the Island  
at 10 P.M. entered the Scaflance channels  
midnight squall & rainy latter part  
the same. took in Royals - 8 a.m. set  
them again. took anchors & the Bow &  
unbent chains & stowed them  
Lat 3° 14' S Long 99° 11' E

# Towards New York

Wednesday Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with light baffling breeze  
and pleasant set Starboard & Studd sails  
throughout the night light air with  
a heavy fall of rain. ends moderate  
& fine.

Lat 4° 06' South  
Long 99° 00' East 3 days out  
Carpenter sick & off duty

Thursday Sept 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout light baffling air  
and calms with rain shower  
shifted Mizzen Royal & unbent main  
T. stay sail for repairs  
Lat 4° 43' South 4 days out  
Long 98° 59' East

Friday Sept 29<sup>th</sup>  
These 24 hours light baffling winds  
with a heavy fall of rain. crew  
employed stripping bulwarks. Repairing  
sails between rain squalls

Lat 5° 37' South  
Long 98° 40' East 5 days out  
Carpenter sick & off duty  
and refused to take medicine which I gave him



# Padang Towards

Saturday Sept 30<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with baffling breeze  
and rain at 12 o'clock Midnight  
took a squall from S.E. which  
settled down into the S.E. trades  
Latter part strong breeze & pleasant  
Lat<sup>d</sup> Abn 7° 35' S

Long abn 97.16 East 6 days out  
Carpenter went to duty today

Sunday Oct 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

Comes in with good trades with  
pleasant weather a P.M. set a  
Bull down & fore topmast studdsail  
Latter part continues the same  
Lat<sup>d</sup> Abn 9° 14' South  
Long " 93.28 East 7 days out

Monday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

This day throughout strong trades  
& pleasant crew at work scraping  
bullwarks repairing sails &  
shifted fore sail & mainsail for  
repairs -  
Lat<sup>d</sup> Abn 10° 55' S 8 days out  
Long Abn 89° 47' E

# New York U.S.A

Tuesday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>

These 24 hours have had light trades  
& pleasant weather crew at work repairing  
mainsail also scraping bullwarks &  
Lat<sup>d</sup> Abn 12° 25' South 9 days out  
Long " 86° 57' East

Wednesday Oct 4<sup>th</sup>

This day comes in with light baffling  
breeze at daylight saw a large ship  
astern. must have passed her in  
the night as she is dropping astern fast  
at 9 am took in the studdsails &  
braced the yards up sharp -  
crew employed repairing mainsail  
scraping bullwarks and overhauling  
lifts & footropes at the mizzen  
Lat<sup>d</sup> Abn 13° 17' South  
Long Abn 84.43 East 10 days out

Thursday Oct 5<sup>th</sup>

Throughout this day have had brisk trades  
with passing squalls at 8 P.M. took in the  
Rays. 8 P.M. set main Royal again.  
Ship going 12 knots on a taught hauled  
Lat<sup>d</sup> Abn 15° 01' S 11 days  
Long 80° 39' E



# Padang towards

Friday Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day comes in with very strong trades weather cloudy, with a high troubled sea ship labring some - at 6 P.m. took in the main Royal & main T.G. staysail. at 2 am set all the Royals & staysails again, sea a little more smooth, passed a ship going the same way - crew at work fitting new T.G. shute for & aft - set Topmast & lower studdsail.

Lat Obs.  $18^{\circ}43'$  South

Long Obs.  $76^{\circ}30'$  East 12 days out

Saturday Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout strong trades & pleasant crew at work overhauling lifts & footropes &

Lat Obs.  $18^{\circ}14'$  South

Long "  $72^{\circ}31'$  East 13 days out

Sunday Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1871

These 24 hours moderate trades with an overcast sky most of the time, wind S by E

Lat Obs.  $19^{\circ}35'$  S 14 days out

Long "  $68^{\circ}54'$  E

# New York U.S.A -

Monday Oct 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout this day have had moderate trades S.S.E. & pleasant weather crew at work repairing Foresail, scraping Bullwarks & sent main T.G. studdsail boom aloft & set the studdsail, port side

Lat Obs.  $20^{\circ}30'$  S Barometer 30.10

Long Obs.  $63^{\circ}55'$  E

15 days out

Tuesday Oct 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout light breeze from S to S.S.W. with pleasant weather at 3.30 P.m. raised a large ship ahead at noon. she is on the lee quarter, hull down -

crew at work as yesterday

Lat Obs.  $21^{\circ}24'$  South

Long "  $64^{\circ}11'$  East Bar. 30.10

16 days out

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

Cyphers in with moderate breeze from S.W. with passing squalls in studdsails. latter part strong breeze from S.S.E. & pleasant found mizzen stay gone in the catch of the

collar, sent it down & repaired it. ship that in Co

is out of sight aster Lat Obs.  $22^{\circ}11'$  S Long  $61^{\circ}37'$  E Bar 30.09



# Padang. Towards

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day comes in squally with strong breezes throughout the night strong breezes from S.E. & pleasant -

better part the same -

Lat Obs 23° 35' South

18 days Long " 57° 55' East Bar 34.16.  
out washed the decks

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in and ends with light breeze from E.S. to E.W. with pleasant weather shifted main & mizzen topsails & G.G. sails

Lat Obs 24° 35' South

19 days Long " 55° 32' East Barometer 30.12

Saturday Oct 14<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout light baffling airs from South to N.E. with pleasant weather crew at work, overhauling lifts & footropes forward also repairing shanties and scraping bullwarks -

Lat Obs - 24° 57' South

Long " 54° 15' East Bar 30.10

20 days out

# New York.

Sunday Oct 16<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout this day light baffling airs from S.E. to N.W. with pleasant weather. a large swell running from S.W.

Lat Obs 25° 32' South

Long " 53° 37' East Barometer 30.05

21 days

Monday Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commences with very light breeze from S.W. with pleasant weather throughout the night the same latter part good breeze and fine weather crew at work repairing old shanties, overhauling lifts & footropes forward also scraping bullwarks outside

Lat Obs 26° 14' South

Long 51° 57' East Barometer 29.98

22 days

Tuesday Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout light breezes from N.W. with an overcast sky crew at work as yesterday.

Lat Obs 25° 48' South

Long " 50° 17' East Barometer 30.02

23 days out



# Padang

Wednesday Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with light breezes and cloudy with mist at times. wind N.W. at daylight saw a ship on the lee beam. at 12 o'clock exchanged signals with him. English ship Furness Abbey 38 days from Calcutta for London. his long  $48^{\circ} 23'$  E Lat  $27^{\circ} 35'$  S. South? Long  $48^{\circ} 11'$  East Barom 30.

24 days out

Thursday Oct 19<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with light breezes with passing thunder clouds. full of lightning in all studdsails at 4 P.M. wind went all around the compass and heaved up again at N.W. & hauled to N.W. by W. During the night the Furness Abbey is out of sight astern.

Lat  $28^{\circ} 21'$  South? Long  $46^{\circ} 02'$  East Barom 29.92  
25 days out

# New York in America

Friday Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with fresh breeze from N.W. & clear at 4 P.M. tacked ship to North passed 5 ships on the southern tack at 8 P.M. took in Royal & Royal J. S. Gall staysail at 12 midnight came on squally with rain. in J. Gall sails & lying jib ship pitching heavy at daylight set main J. Gall sail again at 11 am set fore & mizzen J. S. sails wind N.E. & S.W. Lat  $27^{\circ} 25'$  South?

Long  $44^{\circ} 18'$  East Barometer 30.02

26 days out

Saturday Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1871

Came in with strong breezes from N.E. & S.W. with clear weather crew at work reefing Royal halyards & repairing main J. S. sail also overhauling clewline blocks aloft. throughout the night moderate & hauled to S.W. made all sail 10 am wind E & S. set all studdsails both sides.

Lat  $27^{\circ} 24'$  South? Long  $41^{\circ} 16'$  East Barom 30.02  
27 days out



# Padang Towards

Sunday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871

For 24 hours have had moderate breeze & cloudy weather at daylight passed a Brig supposed her to be the Galley from Padang for New York -

Wind from East to N.E.

Lat Obs.  $28^{\circ}23'$  South

Long "  $38.48$  E Barometer 29.85

28 days out. Westerly current this day

Monday Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day comes in with moderate breeze from N.W. with cloudy weather

at 3 P.M. wind hauled to west with rain, in studsails & Royals at 4 P.M.

calm. 8 P.M. light breeze from N.W.

throughout the night squally with rain

Lat Obs. fresh gales in J.G. sails.

at 11.30 double reefed the fore & mizzen topsails & single reefed the main.

Lat Obs.  $27^{\circ}34'$  South

Long "  $37.13$  East Barometer 29.90

29 days out westerly current

# New York

Tuesday Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in with fresh gales & pleasant with a heavy S.W. sea running at daylight but all reef & set J.G. sails

Lat Obs. part moderate & pleasant - wind N.W.

Lat Obs.  $27^{\circ}31'$  S

Long "  $35.15$  E Barometer 30.09

30 days out westerly current

Wednesday Oct 25<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in with hard breeze at times with smooth water at night moderate and cloudy

unbent main Royal for repairs

at 12 o'clock noon made Cape

Vidal bearing S.W. by compass.

18 miles distant

Lat Obs.  $28^{\circ}06'$  S

Long "  $32^{\circ}54'$  E Barometer 30.16

31 days out



# Padang Towards

Thursday Oct 26<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with light breeze from S.W.  
at 1 P.M. tacked ship off shore  
to E.S. & saw a large ship on our  
lee on the same tack

At 5 a.m. tacked again to S.W.  
wind East - Bent main & royal again

Lat Ob.  $28^{\circ}18'3''$

Long "  $33^{\circ}53'$  E Baromet 30.10  
32 days out

Friday Oct 27<sup>th</sup>

Came with fresh breeze from N.E. & E  
at dark increased to a gale took in  
mizzen & royal. Fore & main & mizzen  
S.G. sail and the studdsails. at 10 P.M.  
sharp lightning at N.W. weather

looking threatening Baromet falling  
fast took in fore & main S.G. sails  
ship rolling heavy decks full of water  
latter part moderate breeze & cloudy  
made all sail again

Lat Ob.  $31^{\circ}10'S$

Long "  $31^{\circ}32'$  E Barom 29.72

33 days out

# New York

Saturday Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with light breeze from N.E. & N  
with a heavy N.E. swell running ship  
rolling & tumbling about in all shapes  
at 7 P.M. breezed up from N.E. & N at  
10 P.M. a hard gale shortened main to  
close reef fore & main topsail. split  
mizzen topsail & furlled it. at 2 a.m.  
blew away fore topsail. latter part  
more moderate in bent mizzen topsail  
for repair also shifted fore topsail  
a bark & a ship in company

Lat Ob.  $31^{\circ}41'S$  29.72

Long "  $33^{\circ}00'$  E 29.30

Sunday Oct 29<sup>th</sup>

Came in with moderate gale &  
pleasant at 4 P.M. wore ship to west  
at 8 a.m. all reefs and set S.G. sails  
a bark and a ship in company  
latter part light air from East  
2 barks & a ship in company

Lat Ob.  $32^{\circ}00'S$

Long "  $32^{\circ}16'$  E Barom 30.39



Monday Oct 30<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with good breeze from E. N. with clear weather at dark. Breezes increasing left the Bark & ship astern. Midnight passed 2 more ships.

at 2 am. in studsails. Breeze & T. G. sails breeze increasing to a gale at 4 a.m. I reefed the topsail & reefed the mainsail. at day light came up with a Bark and passed her making 5 in all.

gotter part fresh gale with a tremendous sea running at 10 a.m. shipped a heavy sea filled the deck cabin & at 11 a.m. made out all reefs and made all sail.

Lat  $33^{\circ}21' S$   
Long  $28^{\circ}55' E$  Barometer 29.78

30 days out

Tuesday Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 1871

Came in with very light air with a tremendous cross sea running ship rolling & slating her sails & everything else to pieces - had to close huff the topsails & haul the courses up to save them from being dead a head.

at 8 a.m. made all sail again and was ship to my & 2 Barks & a ship in company.

Lat  $34^{\circ}03' S$   
Long  $28^{\circ}34' E$  Bar 29.90

30 days out

Wednesday Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

This day throughout light breeze from S. S. E. to west - set sail in company (7) crew employed repairing fore topsail.

Lat  $35^{\circ}02' S$   
Long  $28^{\circ}57' E$  Barometer 29.89

37 days out

Steady



Thursday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Came in with strong breeze the weather looking bad. glass very low latter part fresh gales and cloudy shortened sail down to 3<sup>rd</sup> all the reefed topsails. ends with hard gales with a large troubled sea

Scott Lat  $33^{\circ}24'S$

Long "  $25^{\circ}09'E$  Barom 29.54

Friday Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>

Came in and ends with a hard gale from N.W. glass very low then sail in company were ship twice

Scott Lat  $35^{\circ}11'S$

Long "  $24^{\circ}03'E$  Barom 29.68

Strong westing current

39 days out - hard luck

Saturday Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day comes with hard gales. with passing rain squalls. at 7 P.M. sharp lengthening at N.W. S.W. & East - midnight moderate with an awful sea running ship rolling enough to take the masts out of her set the fore sail reefed

also tarred close reef out of main topsail day light out all reefs & set mainsail latter part calm at times set I.G. sails at 8 a.m. got at east of the lead on Agulhas Banks got Bottoms at 50 fathoms.

a ship to windward in company  
Lat  $35^{\circ}05'$

Long "  $23^{\circ}00'$  Barom 29.20

a S.W. by W current 5/7 miles this day 40 days out. my god what a passage

Sunday Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1871 continued

Came with good breeze & pleasant wind E.S.E. at 8 a.m. was passed by English Clippin Ship Cuttazayark (what a name) 60 days from Shanklin for London - at dark he was just in sight ahead he was a fast sailer as we were going 12 knots & he must be a sailer 14 knots. certain latter part moderate & pleasant wind west -

at 3 P.M. made the land - Cape Agulhas - danger pt & -

Lat  $34^{\circ}09'S$

Long "  $16^{\circ}34'E$  Barom 29.90

42 days out

38

S.W. Current 40 miles

Sunday & Monday



# Padang Towards -

Tuesday Nov 7<sup>th</sup>

This day comes in with strong breeze from west & squally in Rayals -

Boat part moderate made all sail again wind from S.W. to N.W.  
Lat Alt.  $31^{\circ} 36' S$

Long "  $13^{\circ} 34' E$  Barom 29.95 -

43 days out

Wednesday Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout moderate breeze from S.W. with a light fog

Lat Alt.  $29^{\circ} 38' S$

Long "  $10^{\circ} 44' E$  Barom 30.10 -

44 days out

Thursday Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day have had light breeze from S.W. to S.E. & S. with fine weather crew at work shifting sails & set all studdsails both sides

a sail in sight on the quarter in company

Lat Alt.  $28^{\circ} 48' S$

Long "  $8^{\circ} 55' E$  Barometer 30.10 steady

45 days out and not there yet

# New York U.S. of America

Friday Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout light baffling breeze from S.S.W. to S.S.E. with fog and a light drizzling rain at times

Lat Alt.  $27^{\circ} 45' S$

Long "  $7^{\circ} 15' E$  Barom 30.10 -

46 days out

Saturday Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout good breeze from S.S.E. with fog & crew variously employed studdsails set both sides

Lat Alt.  $28^{\circ} 38' S$

Long "  $5^{\circ} 20' E$  Barometer 30.05 -

47 days out

Sunday Nov 12<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in & ends with fine trades & foggy

Lat Alt.  $25^{\circ} 03' S$

Long "  $2^{\circ} 33' E$  Barometer 30.05 -

48 days out



# Padang Towards

Monday Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with moderate trades  
weather cloudy with thin rain at times  
all hands kept to fit ship for  
Port - carpenter at work repairing  
gunwale Board

Lat Ob.  $23^{\circ}37'S$

Long Ob  $0^{\circ}07'$  East Barometer 29.95  
49 days out

Tuesday Nov 14<sup>th</sup>

These 24 hours have had very light trades  
with an overcast sky crew at work setting  
down the bizzzen rigging & rattling

Lat Ob.  $22^{\circ}30'S$

Long.  $1^{\circ}47'$  West Barometer 30. inches  
50 days out

Wednesday Nov 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in and ended with very light  
trades & cloudy  
crew at work Rattling down

Lat Ob.  $21^{\circ}33'S$  South

Long "  $3^{\circ}34'$  West Barom 30. inches  
51 days my god what luck

# New York U.S.G.A

Thursday Nov 16<sup>th</sup> / 71

Throughout these 24 hours have  
had light trades & cloudy weather  
crew at work as yesterday  
Lat Ob.  $20^{\circ}17'S$   
Long "  $5^{\circ}22'$  West Barom 30 in  
52 days out

Friday Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

These 24 hours throughout moderate trades  
and pleasant - a sail in sight to  
windward from aloft going same  
way crew at work as yesterday  
Lat Ob.  $18^{\circ}52'S$  South  
Long "  $7^{\circ}54'$  West Barometer 30. in  
53 days out all well and able &  
willing to eat their hash.

Saturday Nov 18<sup>th</sup>

Throughout this day moderate trades  
and pleasant crew at work as  
yesterday.

Lat Ob.  $17^{\circ}29'S$

Long "  $10^{\circ}17'$  West Barom 30. 10  
54 days out



Sunday Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout this day moderate trades with passing mist squalls —

Lat  $15^{\circ} 57' S$

Long  $12^{\circ} 31' W$  Barom 30.10  
55 days out

Monday Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in with moderate trades with passing rain squalls ends with mild moderate breeze & pleasant —

crew at work setting & taring down

Lat  $14^{\circ} 37' S$

Long  $15^{\circ} 00' W$  Baromet 30.11  
56 days out

Tuesday Nov 21<sup>st</sup> 1871

This day throughout moderate breeze and pleasant crew at work as yesterday

Lat  $13^{\circ} 38' S$

Long  $17^{\circ} 04' W$  Baromet 29.92

57 days out

Wednesday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Throughout this day light trades & pleasant crew at work as yesterday

Lat  $12^{\circ} 40' S$

Long  $19^{\circ} 01' W$  Barom 29.92

58 days out

Thursday Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>

This day throughout light baffling trades & pleasant crew at work the same as usual

Lat  $11^{\circ} 53' S$

Long  $20^{\circ} 30' W$  Barom 29.95  
59 days out

Friday Nov 24<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout these 24 hours light baffling trades & pleasant crew at work as usual

Lat  $11^{\circ} 08' S$

Long  $22^{\circ} 01' W$  Barom 29.89  
60 days out

Saturday Nov 25<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in with moderate breeze and pleasant ends with good trades & pleasant — Finished taring & —

Lat obs.  $9^{\circ} 48' S$

Long  $23^{\circ} 55' W$  Barom 29.85

61 days out

Sunday Nov 26<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout this day good breeze with passing rain squalls — ~~510 S~~

Lat  $8^{\circ} 10' S$

Long  $26^{\circ} 57' W$  Baromet 29.80

62 days out



Monday Nov 27<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout good trades with  
passing rain squalls. crew at work  
scrubbing ship inside

Lat Alt.  $5^{\circ} 24' S$

Long  $28^{\circ} 53' W$  Barom 29.80  
53 days out

Tuesday Nov 28<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with good trades with passing  
rain showers. Passed 2 Barks bound  
Southward also spoke Dutch

Bark. General de L'Isle 40

days from Rotterdam for Singapore

Lat Alt.  $5^{\circ} 01' S$

Long  $30^{\circ} 53' W$  Barom 29.80

64 days out

Wednesday Nov 29<sup>th</sup> 1871

Commenced with good breezes and  
pleasant. Saw 8 sail bound Southward  
throughout the night moderate & clear.

Passed 3 more sail bound south

Lat Alt. part the same. Passed 2 more

Barks bound south

spoke America Ship S. C. Blanchard

the first american I have seen since  
leaving port. - it seemed good to see an  
american flag once more - commenced  
to paint ship inside today -

Lat Alt.  $3^{\circ} 10' S$

Long  $32^{\circ} 21' W$  Barom 29.90

65 days out

Thursday Nov 30<sup>th</sup> 1871

Transferring day

Throughout this day have had  
good trades and pleasant -

saw a ship and 2 Barks &  
a Brig going south.

crew at work painting ship

Killed a pig, it abt every

day we do such a thing.

Lat Alt.  $13^{\circ} 3' S$  South

Long  $34^{\circ} 35' W$  Barom 29.85

66 days out



"Fearless" from Padang

Friday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> 1871

Came in with light trades and pleasant weather. I never saw better weather for painting ship. we are almost finished.

Lat. Obs.  $0^{\circ} 18'$  South

Long Obs.  $36^{\circ} 23'$  West Barometer 29.85

29 miles westerly current to day

8 days out from Padang

Saturday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1871

This day throughout light baffling breeze with heavy passing clouds with a little rain. finished painting inside

Lat Obs.  $1^{\circ} 14'$  North

Long "  $38^{\circ} 04'$  West Barom 29.85

169 days out

Sunday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> 1871

This day comes in with good breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather took in J.G. & lower studding sails

Lat Obs.  $3^{\circ} 25'$  North

Long. at 40.28. West Barometer 29.85

70 days out

Towards New York U.S.A.

Monday Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came with pleasant weather with good breeze from E.N.E. at night squally with rain. throughout the remainder of the day squally with a heavy fall of rain. in Royals

Lat Obs.  $5^{\circ} 40'$  North

Long "  $42^{\circ} 49'$  West Barom 29.85

71 days out

Tuesday Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1871

Begins with strong breeze and squally with a heavy fall of rain.

Better part the N.E. trades set in with strong with pleasant weather crew at work scraping bright work aloft also painting cabins.

shifted the fore Royal -

Lat Obs.  $7^{\circ} 58'$  North

Long "  $45^{\circ} 38'$  West Barom 29.90

72 days out



# Padang towards

Wednesday Dec 5<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with strong N.E. trades & pleasant crew at work repairing fore Royal also painting tops of the houses & after Cabin

Lat  $10^{\circ} 25' N$

Long  $49^{\circ} 01' W$  Baromet 29.20

73 days out

Thursday Dec 7<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with strong trades and pleasant crew at work securing mast heads and painting chain work aloft at noon exchanged signals with English Bark Jamaica 42 days from Glasgow for Demerara.

Lat  $13^{\circ} 01' N$

Long  $52^{\circ} 08' W$  Baromet 29.91

74 days out

Friday Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with fresh trades and pleasant middle watch squally in Royals & Topmast studdail.

Batter part pleasant with fresh breeze set Royals & studdail again

Lat  $15^{\circ} 38' N$

Long  $55^{\circ} 35' W$  Barom 30.00

75 days out

# New York U.S. of America

Saturday Dec 9<sup>th</sup> 1871

Throughout this day strong breeze with hard squalls with rain at 9 P.M. took in Royals & Topmast studdail. at 7 am set the Royals again unbent Mizzen topmast staysail.

tared the poop deck

Lat  $18^{\circ} 06' N$

Long  $58^{\circ} 45' W$  Barom 30.10

76 days out

Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout moderate trades with passing mist squalls - set Topmast & lower studdails end of fore wind East saw Gulf weed today

Lat  $20^{\circ} 35' N$

Long  $61^{\circ} 29' W$  Barom 30.10

77 days out

Monday Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with light breeze and pleasant at 9.30 P.M. passed a schooner bound south. crew at work painting ship outside at noon saw a Bark standing N.E.

Lat  $21^{\circ} 45' N$

Long  $63.16 W$  Barom 30.05

78 days out



Tuesday Dec 12<sup>th</sup> 1871

This day throughout light breeze  
& calm - a H. Brig in sight  
stern N.W. also a Bark Staring  
N.W. crew at work painting masts  
rails also scraping bright work.

Lat Alt. 22° 44' North

Long by Sp. 64° 25' W Bar 30.05  
79 days out

Wednesday Dec 13<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in with light air from N.W. and pleasant a Bark in company  
at dusk the wind baffling from  
from N.W. to N.E. with rain

8 P.M. wind steady at N.E. & clear  
at 3 a.m. passed the Bark that was  
in company

Lat part pleasant wind S.E.  
shifted for topsail fore sail jibs  
Main sail spanker Main T. mast  
staysail & Mizzen & G. sail

Lat Alt. 23° 30' North

Long " 65° 20' W Bar 30.03  
80 days out

Thursday Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 1871

Comes in with light baffling breeze  
from N.W. to S.E. with passing rain  
Showers at 10.30 P.M. passed a  
schooner bound south

Lat part continues the same  
passed a 4 masted ship bound  
south also a Bark & a H. Brig all  
going south

Lat Alt. 25° 05' South

Long " 66° 20' W } 30.05 Bar  
81 days

Friday Dec 15<sup>th</sup>

Comes in with light baffling air  
with heavy passing clouds with rain  
at 8 P.M. tackled ship to N.W. N  
Lat part moderate breeze from  
S.W. & pleasant - set Topmast & lower  
studsails. crew at work taring the  
decks

Lat Alt. 26° 15' North

Long " 67° 06' W } 30.08 Bar  
82 days out



Saturday Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 1871

Come in with moderate breeze & pleasant - a Bark in company to leeward - at 2 a.m. come on squally in studsails latter part strong breeze & squally with rain ambient studsails & sent the Booms down - split Mizzen Royal -

Spencer when we shall be next Saturday - in port & hope as we are only 800 miles away now

Lat  $28^{\circ}13'$  North

Long  $69^{\circ}10'$  West Barometer 30.10  
83 days out.

Sunday Dec 17<sup>th</sup> 1871

Come in with fresh breeze & squally bent on new Mizzen Royal and at 5<sup>th</sup> at 5.30 P.M. wind jumped to N.W. in a squall - in Royals & fore & Mizzen. T. Gall sail and light staysails flying jib at 8 P.M. tacked ship to N.W. set fore T. Gall sail again latter part moderate made all sail again at 8 a.m. tacked to N.W.

passed a Bark on the opposite tack showing a Sardinian flag. he had no fore T. Gall mast -

Lat  $29^{\circ}08'$  North

Long  $69^{\circ}24'$  West Barometer 30.20.  
84 days out

Monday Dec 18<sup>th</sup> 1871

Come in with moderate breeze from N.W. weather clear & pleasant -

Midnight thick and heavy at N.W.

took in the Royals & T. Gall sail

latter part fresh breeze from N.W. with passing mist squalls -

crew at work scraping Barometer

Lat  $30^{\circ}57'$  North 30.25 - 8 a.m.

Long  $68^{\circ}35'$  West 30 15 - 12 noon

passed a Brig going south

85 days out

Tuesday Dec 19



Tuesday Dec 19<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with moderate breeze  
with passing mist squalls at 3 PM  
saw a large steamer 3 masted  
bound south at 9, 30, PM took  
T. G. sails and reefed the mizzen  
Topsail, midnight wore ship to  
the westward weather moderate  
set main T. G. sail, at daylight made  
all sail again.

Lat  $31^{\circ} 03'$  North

Long  $68^{\circ} 48'$  W Barom 30.12  
86 days out - & falling

Wednesday Dec 20<sup>th</sup> 1871

Came in with light baffling breeze  
from N.E. & pleasant at 6 PM. hauled  
up stunsail at 8:30 took in Royals -  
at 9 in T. G. sails, at 12 doubled up  
the topsails at 4 closed up the  
topsails furled mainsails also reefed  
the foresail & furled it 9 a.m.  
heavy squalls with rain took in the  
mizzen topsail at 12 noon aboard  
shifted to N.N.W.

Lat by D.R.  $34^{\circ} 10'$  N Barom from  
Long  $70^{\circ} 54'$  W } 30.20 to  
29.55

Thursday Dec 21<sup>st</sup> 1871

Came up with hard gales and rain  
at dark more moderate set Mizzen  
topsail & foresail jib staysails & spanker  
at 3 a.m. saw a ship running also  
saw a Brig in company  
later part hard breeze and squally  
with rain took in foresail & topsail again  
now very moderate

Lat  $35^{\circ} 25'$  N

Long  $69^{\circ} 37'$  W Baromet 30.10  
88 days out -

Friday Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> 1871

Came in a little more moderate with  
passing hail squalls - at 2 PM  
turning close reef out of main topsail  
and set foresail & mizzen topsail  
at 3:30 PM spoke American ship  
Shatemuc - 18 days from New Orleans  
for Liverpool -

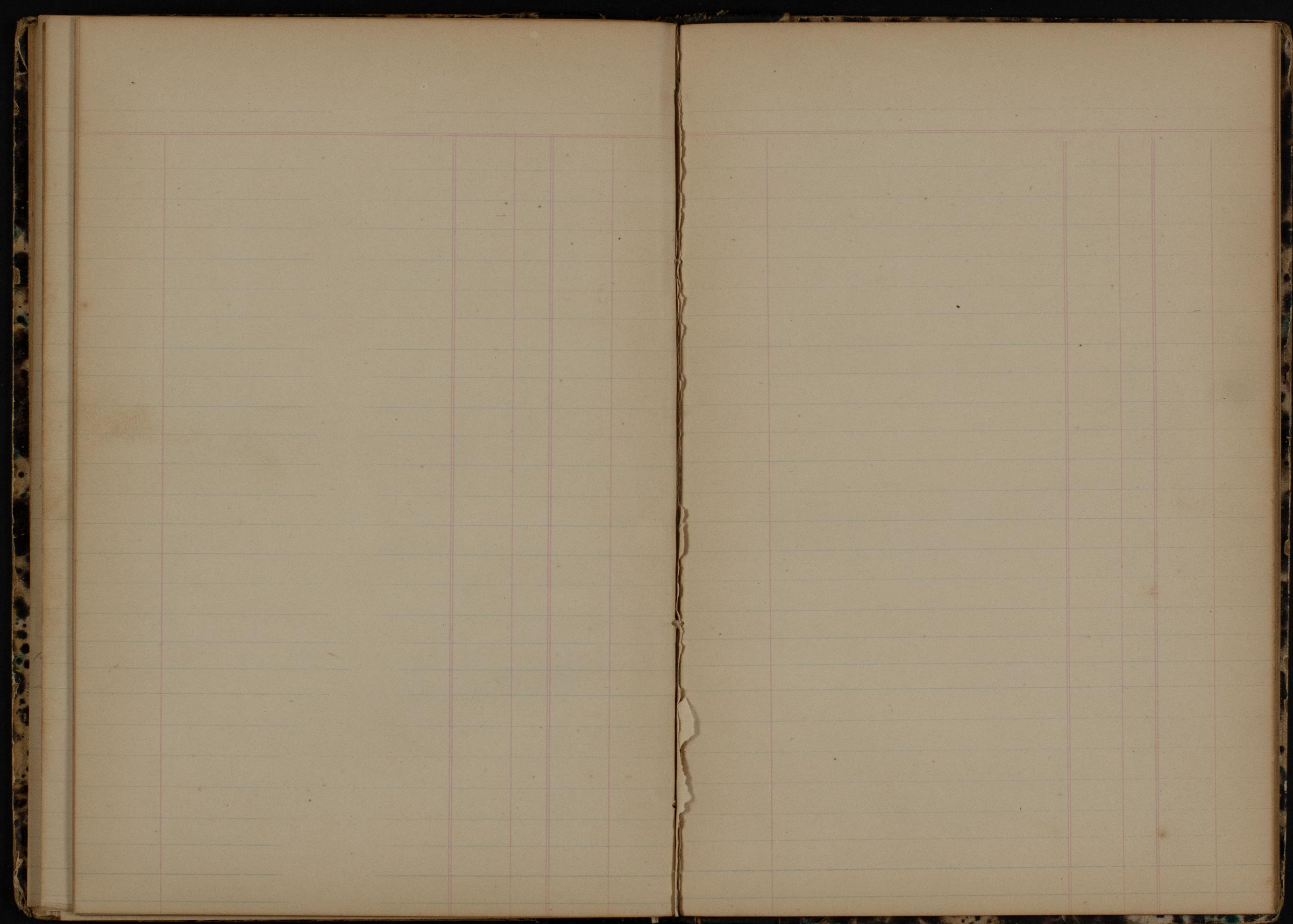
at 8 PM. tacked ship to N.N.W.  
out all reefs - calm throughout  
the night daylight made  
all sail, a ship in company

Lat  $35^{\circ} 30'$

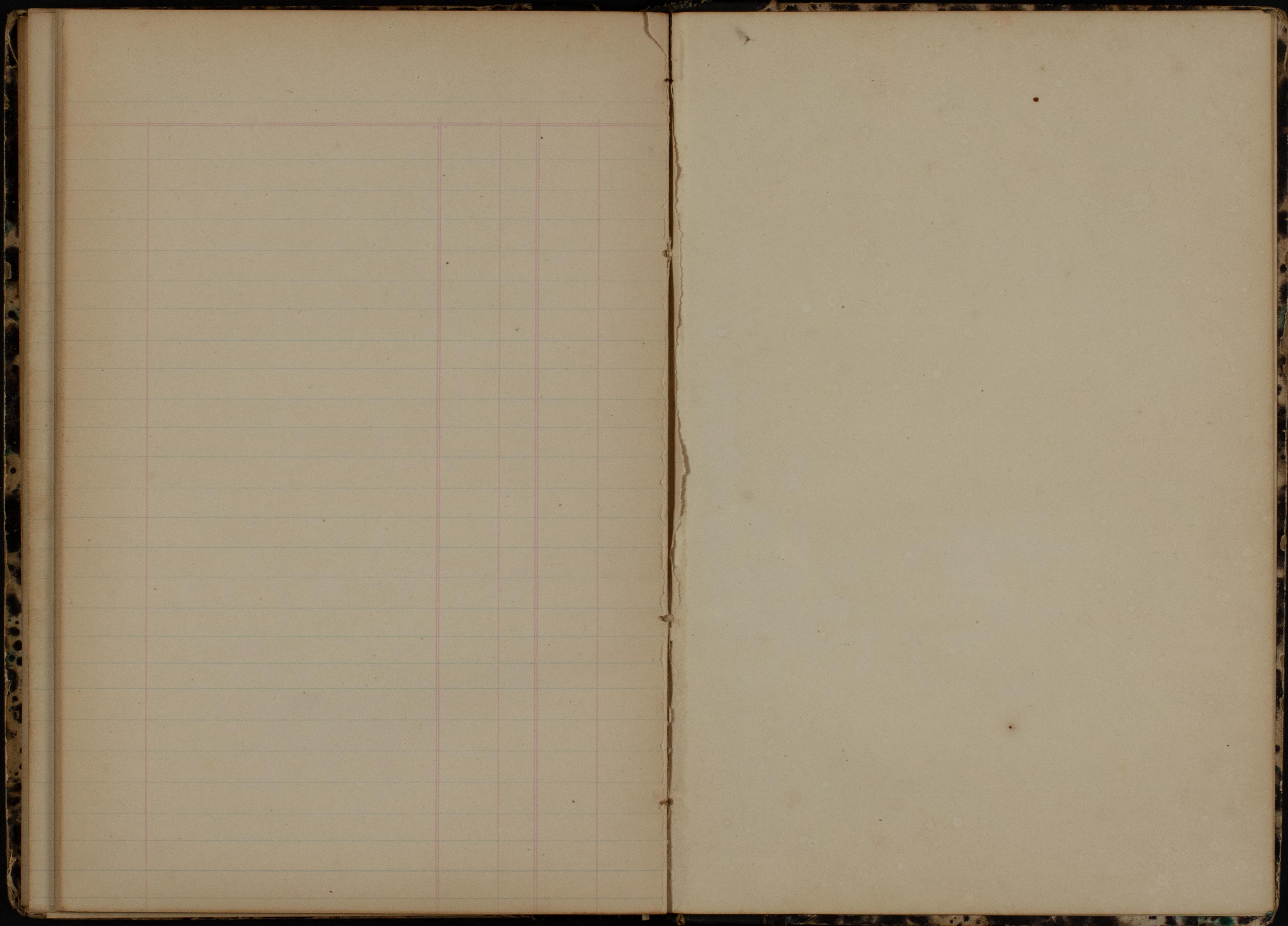
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89 days out

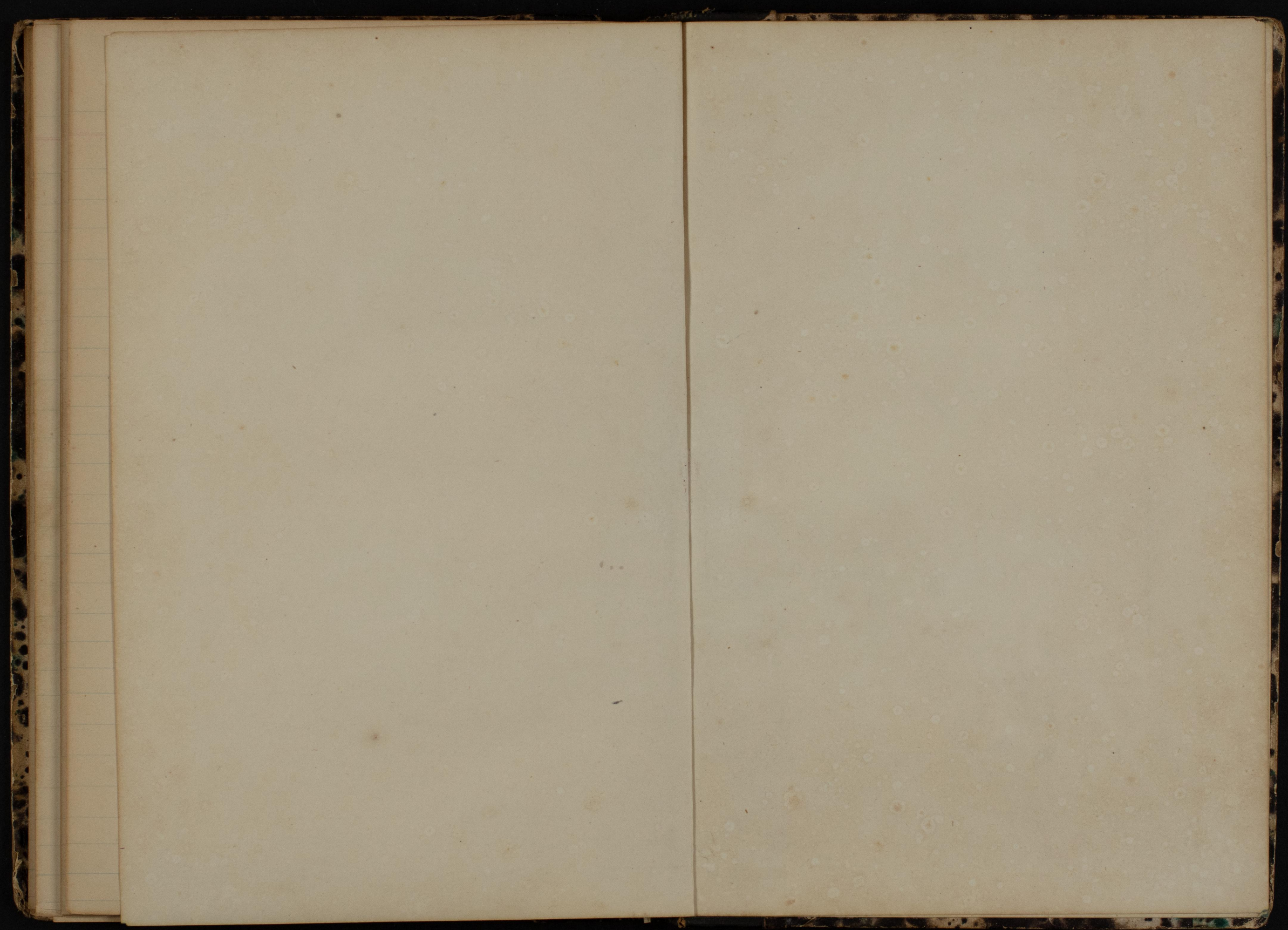






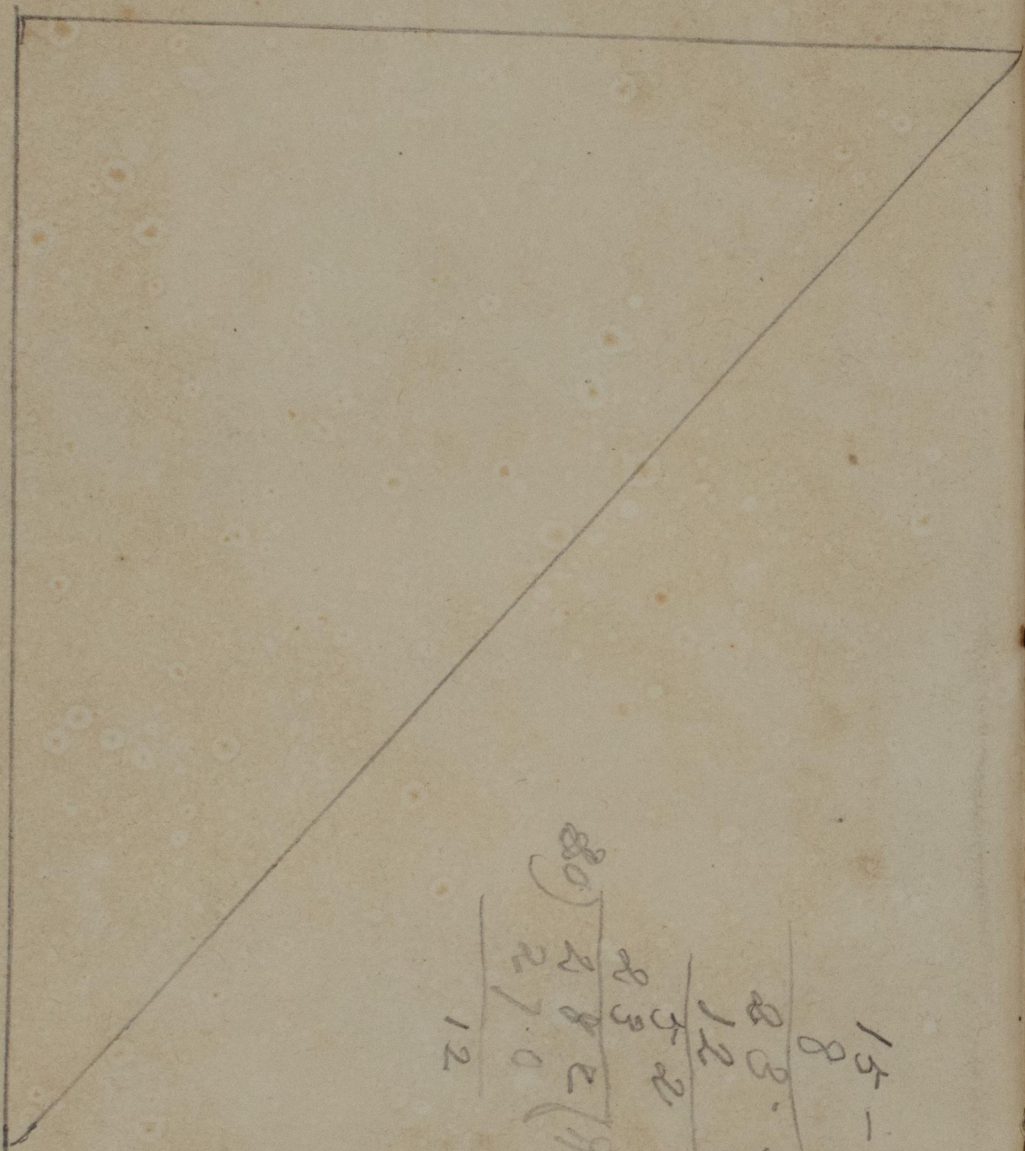








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