
Register of the George Barrell journal, 1881

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DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Title: George Barrell journal,

Date (inclusive): 1881

Collection number: MSS 0394

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BIOGRAPHY

A sea captain who resided in Springfield, IL, at the time of his death in 1894.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

A bound holograph copy in George Barrell's hand of the journal he kept during four years of travel on the seas from February 1824 to May 1828. Fifteen years old at the beginning of the journey, Barrell recounts the departure of his ship from New York City, his first crossing of the equator and rounding of Cape Horn, his visit to the Hawaiian Islands, and his return to the United States. The journal contains descriptions of life aboard ship and of native peoples Barrell observed during his journey. Laid in the journal is a holograph map of the Hawaiian Islands on a piece of 5 x 7 in. cardstock.