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Ship Mary cruising off River la Plata January
courses Winds Remarks on board Tuesday Jan the 4th
tack ship Fore part strong breeze and cloudy
Eby S S Weather under double reefed top sails
and courses saw one sail and gunners
at sundown stored fore & main top sails
tack ship and main sail at day light made all sail
S S E With a light breeze and fine weather
Picked up a fug leak 300 strokes so ends
Lat by obs 37-37 South
Long by chron 51-29 West

Wednesday Jan the 5th
S S E The fore part fresh breeze and hazy weather
under all sail saw 2 sails steering to the
Southward at 5 Pm stored fore & main
top sails & courses with squally weather
Middle part blowing a gale attended with
rain and lightning Latter part the same
ships leak as before Lat by obs
No obs Long by chron

Thursday Jan the 6th
S S E The fore part blowing a moderate gale and cloudy
tack ship weather at 2 Pm made sail saw 1 fin back
at sundown took in sail at day light made
S S E sail with a fresh breeze & cloudy weather
and a bad sea on Leak was 250 strokes so ends
Lat by obs No obs
Long by chron

Friday Jan the 7th
S E The fore part strong breeze attended with
rain under close reefed main top sail &
W S spencers Middle part blowing a heavy
gale with squalls of rain & thunder
and lightning
Latter part moderated some & heavy rain
ships leak this 24 hours was 300 strokes
Lat by obs
Long by chron

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courses Winds Remarks on board Saturday Jan the 8th
West South Blowing a moderate gale & cloudy weather
With a bad sea on
Middle & latter parts blowing a heavy gale with
Squalls of rain ships leak as before so ends
Lat by obs 38-54 South
Long by chron 51-19 West

Sunday January the 9th
S S E W The fore part fresh gale and cloudy weather
tack ship under close reefed main top sail and spencers
S W Middle & latter parts the same fine & well
Leak was 420 strokes Lat by obs 39-00 South
Long by chron 50-28 West

Monday January the 10th
S S E W The fore & middle parts blowing a moderate
tack ship gale & hazy weather at day light made sail
W S saw 2 granpees & fin backs fresh breeze
Leak was 400 strokes Lat by obs 39-03 South
Long by chron 50-28 West

Tuesday January the 11th
W S Fresh breeze and fine weather one sail in sight
tack ship and saw granpees at sun down shortened
W S W sail at day light made all sail light breeze
and clear weather saw a sail so ends
ships leak this day was 300 strokes
Lat by obs 38-50 South
Long by chron 50-31 West

Wednesday January the 12th
S W W The fore part fresh breeze & clear weather at 3 Pm took
in sail blowing a moderate gale
at 8 Am set close reefed top sails with strong
breeze and hazy weather saw nothing
ships leak this day was 500 strokes
Lat by obs 39-33 South
Long by chron 50-38 West
now i am a whaling and watch setting
of the sun we slip and slide about the docks
it makes me think of home