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Collection Scope and Content
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There are seven logbooks in all. In volume 1, the FRANK N. THAYER (ship) voyaged from San Francisco to Liverpool and back with a stop in New York during 1881 and 1882 for Thayer & Lincoln of Boston. Entries include compass readings, weather, course, vessels sighted, days at sea, nautical calculations, a few sketches and mention of whales and porpoises at Cape Horn.
In volume 2, also on the FRANK N. THAYER, in 1884, the voyage was from New York to Calcutta and back with a cargo of oil. Comments include references to ice in the Hudson River, passing through pumice stone in the vicinity of Krakatoa, lunar
and solar eclipses and the red glow so common since the Java earthquake. Also includes a list of vessels spoken to on the trip.

In volume 3, two voyages from New York to San Francisco were documented for the ships GENERAL MCCLELLAN and FRIEDLANDER in 1874. Morrison repeatedly mentions loving and missing his wife and children. It also includes an entry about the leaking ship and going to Rio in distress. Loose pages include two letters concerning services rendered by Morrison.

In volume 4, the ship FRIEDLANDER voyaged from San Francisco to Liverpool for Thayer & Lincoln of Boston in 1875 to 1876.

In volume 5, the ship FRIEDLANDER voyaged from Liverpool to Calcutta to New York to San Francisco for Thayer & Lincoln of Boston from 1876 to 1877.

In volumes 6 and 7, on the freighter TEXAN from 1902 to 1903, numerous voyages were documented between the East and West Coasts as well as South America and Hawaii for the American Hawaiian Steamship Company of San Francisco. Entries consist mainly of nautical calculations. There are also clippings and a few loose pages.

Collection Arrangement
This collection is arranged into ten folders.

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