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Volume 1. 1929: departing Coxhaven for Amsterdam, Havre, Cowes and Falmouth. There are no entries while in port. Also, contains eight loose items: seven log pages and one sketch of mast and winch.
Volume 2. 1934 to 1937: departing Gloucester for Gothenberg, Stockholm and Copenhagen and departing Copenhagen for Cowes and Finchal. The vessel also goes to Boston, Bermuda, Los Angeles and San Francisco. The folder also contains a card on radio settings, tables, charts, a letter to the captain and an article about the trip from Gloucester to Pentland Firth.

Volume 3. 1936: departing Gloucester to Hamilton, Pont del Gada, Finchal, Casablanca, Lisbon, Tangiers, Rio, Los Angeles and San Francisco. There are also two charts and a photo. One entry records a victrola on deck.

Volume 4. 1937: Berkeley to Honolulu to San Francisco to Monterey. Contains fewer entries that other logs and one magazine article on clouds.

Volume 5. 1938 to 1940: departing Berkeley for San Pdero and Hilo, from Honolulu to San Francisco.

Volume 6. 1940 to 1941: Berkeley to Hawaii, San Francisco to Tahiti to Hawaii. The inside back cover contains a Tahiti cruise work plan.

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