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Guide to the

**William B. Burtis diary kept on board the U.S.S. Delaware**

1867-1870

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## Summary

**Creator:** Burtis, William B

**Title:** William B. Burtis diary kept on board the U.S.S. Delaware

**Date:** 1867-1870

**Size:** .1 linear feet (1 volume)

**Abstract:** William B. Burris was a staff clerk in the United States Navy and kept this diary on board the U.S.S. Delaware during a cruise from Portsmouth, New Hampshire to an Asiatic station and back to New York. Entries date from 1867-1870, and laid in to the volume are the following: the Shanghai News-Letter from May 18, 1869 and February 11, 1870; Japan Herald from September 18, 1869; and Japan Gazette from May 21, 1870. A clipping from the New York Tribune listing those killed in battle at Bull Run was removed from the volume ca. 1938 and transferred to the library's newspaper room

**Access:** Advance notice required.

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## Key Terms

### Genre/Physical Characteristic

Clippings (information artifacts)  
Diaries

### Titles

Japan Gazette  
Japan Herald  
Shanghai News-Letter

### Subjects

Navies -- Officers -- Diaries

### Geographic Names

Portsmouth (N.H.)

**Names**

Burtis, William B

Delaware (Screw steamer)

New York, N.Y.

United States. Navy