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His Majesty's Ship Comus. of Cork 1815

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Week days.	M'th Day	Winds	No Sig'l.	Remarks &.
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Sunday.	1st	West.		Am/. Moderate fine Weather.
				Mustered Ship's Company by Divisions.
				Cross'd T Gall't yards. Rec'd vegetables
				PM/. Same Weather. Sunset down Top Gall't yards
Monday.	2d	West..		AM/. Light airs & Cloudy.
				Crossed top gall't yards. Blacked the
				Bends.
				PM/. Mod'te variously employed.
				Sunset down top Gall't yards.
				Mid't Same Weather.
Tuesday.	3d	Southerly		AM/. Moderate fine W'r crossed Top
				Gall't yards. Employ'd as requisite.
				Returned Empty provision Casks
				PM/. Fine Weather.
				Sunset down top gall't yards.
				Vble. latter part Clear Weather
Wednesday	4th	Vble.		AM/. Mod'te & fine at 8 loosed the
				Topsails & fired a gun. Crossed top
				gall't yards. at 10 furl'd sails
				Sailmakers employed making
				Boats Coverings
				PM/. Light breezes with small
				Rain received 2 bags of vegetables
				Sunset in Boats
				S.E. Mid't light breezes.

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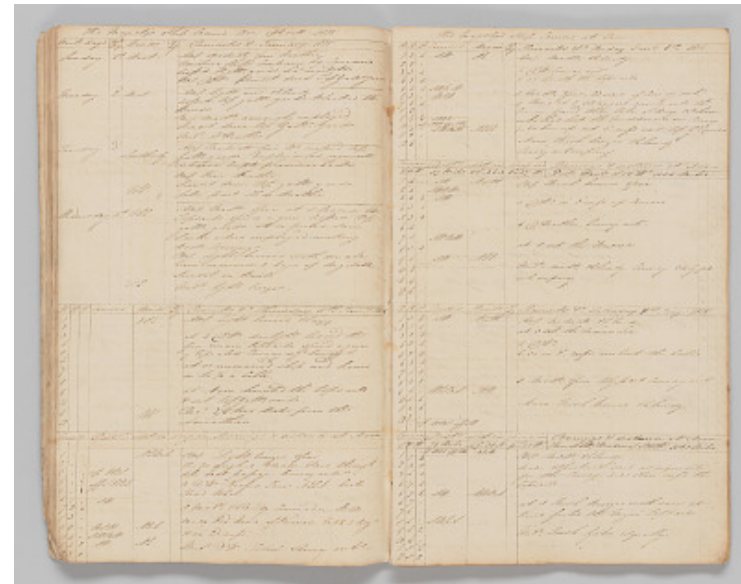
H	K	J	Courses	Winds	No Sig's	Remarks &c	Thursday 5th - Jan
7.	1815						
1				E S E		AM/. light breezes & hazy	
2							
3						at 4 A.M. Same W'r day light loose the	
4						fore & main topsails & fired a gun	
5						9 repeated convoy sig'l to weigh	
6						at 10 unmoored ship and hove	
7						in to 1/2 a Cable.	
8							
9						at Noon hoisted the topsails	
10						& set top gall't sails.	
11				Vble.		Rec'd 2 1/2 tons Water from the	
12						Leviathan	

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Course	Dist'ce	Lat in	Long in	Bearings & distance at Noon
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1		"		NE B. S.		PM/. Light breezes & fine
2		"				12:30 Weighed & made Sail through
3		"		Up E B S.		the East passage. Convoy in Co.
4		"				4 Light breezes & fine W'r. Roches Town NE b N. Cork



5	"	}}	Off E.B.E.			Head to Set.	
6	1	"	S.W.				
7	2	6					
8	3	"				8 Mod'te & Cloudy	Commodore Starb'd
9	3	"	WS.W		N 1/2 E.		
10	4	"	SW B W.			10:30	Old Head of Kensale N b E. 4 leag's
11	4	2	S.W.		N.E.		11 Old Head of Kensale reefs
12	3	6				Mid't Mod'te & Cloudy W'r.	Comm'd'r & Convoy in Co.

His Majesty's Ship Comus at Sea.

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H	K	J	Courses		Winds		No Sig's		Remarks &c	Friday Jan'y 6th 1815
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1	3	6	SW.		N.E.		AM/. Mod'te & Cloudy.
2	3	"					
3	3	4					
4	3	4				4 Mod'te & Cloudy W'r.	Convoy in Co.
5	3	4	SW. 1/2 W.			7:30 hoisted the topsails	
6	3	"	W.S.W.			8 Mod'te & fine.	23 sail of Convoy in Co.
7	3	4				9 Fired at 2 strangers coming into the	
8	3	"				Convoy. found them to be a Brig & Schooner	
9	1 / 1	4 / 4	SE b E.			who had lost Mediterranean Convoy.	
10	" / 3	up / "	NbW off NbE. / SW B W.		N b SE.		9:30 bore up out 3d reefs & set top G'tsails
11	6	"				Noon Fresh breezes & Cloudy.	
12	6	"				Convoy in Company	

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Course		Dist'ce		Lat in		Long in		Bearings & distance at Noon
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S 15°W't.		59 Miles		50° '36 N		8° '57 W't		Porto Santo S 18° W't 1005 Miles

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1	4	"	SW.		North	PM/. Fresh breezes & fine
2	4	"	SW B. W.			
3	3	4	SW.			
4	3	4				4 Fresh breezes & fine W'r. in 2d reefs up Courses
5	3	4				
6	4					6 Fres breezes 7 fine Weather. Convoy in Co.
7	4		SW B W.			
8	3	4				at 8 set the Foresail
9	4		SW.		N. b. E.	
10	4					
11	4					Mid't mod'te & Cloudy. Convoy & Ulysses
12	4					in Company

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H	K	J	Courses		Winds		No Sig's		Remarks &c	Saturday 7th Jany. 1815
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1	3	4	SW.		North		AM/. Moderate & Cloudy
2	3	4					
3	2	4					at 3 set the mainsail
4	2	4					4 Moderate & Cloudy

5 | 2 | 4 | | | |
6 | 3 | 4 | 6:30 in 2d reefs. unbent the Cable |
7 | 4 | 2 | | | |
8 | 4 | 2 | | | 8 Mod'te & fine Ulysses & Convoy in Co. |
9 | 4 | " | W b S 1/2 S. | N.W. | | |
10 | 5 | 6 | | | |
11 | 5 | 6 | | | |
12 | 3 / " | " / up | / W.B.S. off SW. | | | Noon Fresh breezes &
Cloudy. |

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Course	Dist'ce	Lat in	Long in	Bearings & distance at Noon
S 28°W't | 79 Miles | 49°38 N. | 9°40 W't | Funchall/Madena/ S 18°W't
1060 Miles |

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1 | " / 3 | up / 4 | W b S. off SW. | N 1/2 W. | | PM/. Mod'te & Cloudy.
2 | 4 | 4 | | | |
3 | 6 | 4 | | | | Made & Shortened sail as requisite |
4 | 7 | 4 | | | | for the Convoy. 4:30 Close reefed the |
5 | 7 | 6 | S.W. | N.W.B.N. | | topsails. |
6 | 7 | " | | | |
7 | 6 | " | | | |
8 | 6 | " | SW. 1/2 S. | | | at 8 Fresh Breezes with rain at |
9 | 6 | 2 | | | | times, furl'd the Mizzen topsail |
10 | 6 | " | | | |
11 | 5 | 6 | | | |
12 | 5 | 2 | | | | Mid't Fresh Gales & Squally. |

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