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JOHN LOVELL

Journal, 1853

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John Lovell was a member of the crew of the barque *Elizabeth* (master: A. Hancock) on a voyage from Bristol to Melbourne in 1853. The ship carried 187 emigrants, comprising seven cabin passengers and 180 passengers in intermediate and steerage.

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Journal of John Lovell kept on the emigrant ship *Elizabeth* on a voyage from Bristol to Melbourne, 23 January – 3 May 1853.

The journal refers to the departure of the vessel from Bristol, the ship's position, the weather, winds, seas and the changing of sails, complaints by passengers of depleted food allowances, the production of a newspaper, the *Tropical Times*, illnesses and deaths, complaints about the ship's doctor, sightings of ships and whales, the distribution of grog, lime juice and tobacco, the sighting of islands in the south Atlantic, the organisation of auctions and raffles, relations between Lovell and the ship's mate, a fight between the mate and the cook, a theatrical performance, the arrival at Port Phillip and the landing of the passengers.