

10<sup>th</sup> foggy & warm to Right 75 Right 76 left of a  
bar in the middle of the river before you come to cyp  
-refs Bend Right no 77 oppo: Cypress Bend at the foot of  
this long bend and oppo: nos 78 & 9 is a large bar making  
pretty well to the left shore

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Left the mouth of Ohio 25<sup>th</sup> day Dec: at 8 o'clock A.M.  
the running tolerably brisk in the Mississippi rather dangerous  
running landed opposite no. 8 laid all night the S.B. Magnet  
pass'd up just after we had landed  
26<sup>th</sup> wind from N.W. put out early run to N. Madrid the wind  
changed to S. West laid here all night

27<sup>th</sup> - wind from south the S.B. Phoenix pass'd up last night and the  
S.B. Magnet pass'd down about day break - put out and run  
5 ms. below N. Madrid wind so hard a head had to lay to till  
evening put out and run down to Browns Wood Yard

28 - no wind of consequence put off before day 2 keels that we  
pass'd on the 27<sup>th</sup> overtook us today run down & landed on the  
bar below Keedhamy Cut off

29 - Commenced snowing last night put out early be carefull to  
avoid a bar on y<sup>e</sup> left run down & landed ~~at~~ on  
the right above no 25 it proving so foggy we considered it  
dangerous to run laid about 3 hours the fog blew off put out  
run to the left of 25 & to the right of no 26 had shoal water  
run pretty well into the right side & landed at Johnsons Wood  
yard the <sup>wind</sup> this day from the north

30 - put off early run by a snaggy point on the right then fell into  
the left hand bend having pass'd 27 on our left last night run down  
till we came near the foot of no 28 then draw over to the island  
leaving no 29 on y<sup>e</sup> left go well to the foot of 28 then draw  
over towards no. 30 leave it on y<sup>e</sup> left also hug the large bar on  
y<sup>e</sup> left tolerably close when you approach Plund Point  
leave the middle bar on y<sup>e</sup> right at the entrance you will  
discover a large planter run on either side but better leave it  
on the right but hug it tolerably close then leave the major part  
of the snag on y<sup>e</sup> right hug the left hand sand bar as close as you  
can when you come to where the water shoots over to the right hand  
bend which is at the foot of the snags beware of a large breaker  
leave it on the left be carefull not to run on the lower point