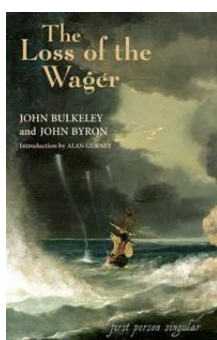


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Jack Byron and Bulkeley's account of the Wager wreck. This has actually sparked a new obsession (hence the longer pauses in the book reading from hereon). I got into all the other accounts as well, and have started to do annotations to Patrick O'Brian's "The Unknown Shore". Ahh, obsessions, eh?

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