

JULY 1750

Sunday the 1st. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon. In the Evening Went to tell M^r. Vicars that Captain Clifton was lying safe in Scarbrough Harbour came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Monday the 2^d Went to School in the forenoon. In the afternoon My Master and Billy went to Tinmouth Races, and Jenny went to the Play, but I stayed at home and wrote a letter to My Father against Wednesday, Jenny came home at Eleven o'Clock I got My Supper & retir'd to bed betwixt Eleven and Twelve.

Tuesday the 3^d Took a walk down to the Carpenters in the forenoon ^and Captain Clifton dined at our house in the afternoon^ took a walk down to the Carpenters and set down the things that Spared, came home and there was a ^lad^ of a Ship comed to see if My Master could load him, when the lad was gone we retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the 4th. Went down to the Staith In the forenoon came home in the Evening we got our Supper and retired to bed at Eleven.

Thursday the 5th. Went down to Winkhamlee in the forenoon, in the Evening I took a walk and Supped with Cousin Deighton, came home and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Friday the 6th. In the forenoon and afternoon I was at Winkhamlee, In the Evening Cousin Deighton came down the Key and drunk a Bottle of Porter, I went & Supped with him came home & retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Saturday the 7th. In the forenoon Cousin Deighton came and set his Hand to the Bond, and I went and saw M^r. James, In the afternoon ^I^ took my leave of M^r. Deighton and took a walk with Ra. Morton to Catch Larks came ^home^ and retired to bed betwixt ^Ten^ and Eleven.

Sunday the 8th. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon. In the Evening took a walk into Westgate to see the Officers Burial, came home, we got our Supper and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Monday the 9th. Got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, came home got my Breakfast, and went down again came home ^and got a parcel from My Mo^r. ^we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

Tuesday the 10th. Got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, came home got my Breakfast, and went down again, came home, we got our Suppers, and retired to bed betwixt Ten and

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Eleven.

Wednesday the 11th. In the forenoon ^went to Fetterson's Office. In the afternoon^ wrote a letter to My Father, came ^home^, and minded the House, My Master & Billy went to the Play, and I went onto the Key, ^I^ came home and retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the 12th. Got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee came home, In the afternoon took a walk and Baithed, came home, & minded the House. Jenny came in. I got my Supper and retired to bed at Ten.

Friday the 13th. Got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee came home My Master went to Shields. In the afternoon I retired into My room & slept. In the Evening I took a walk a netting for Larks came home. I got my Supper, and retired to bed at Ten.

Saturday the 14th. Got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, came home, In the afternoon I took a walk with Ra. Murton into the Garden came home and went a netting, we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

Sunday the 15th. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening took a walk and Baithed, came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

Monday the 16th. Went down to Winkhamlee came home, In the Evening I took a walk out a netting with Tho^s. Newton came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Tuesday the 17th. Went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon took a walk & Baithed, In the Evening went out a netting, came home, we got our Suppers and retired to bed Betwixt Ten & Eleven.

Wednesday the 18th. Went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I minded the House; In the Evening took a walk with Geo. Errington & Ra. Murton, came home, we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Thursday the 19th. Went down to Winkhamlee and took a ride out with Miss Dent & John Headly ^in the Chair^ we got our Dinners & Drunk Tea & came home in the Chair. In the Evening took a walk & Baithed, came home My Master was not come from Durham races so I got my Supper & old Geo. & me retired to bed at Ten.

Friday the 20th. Went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I went to fetch a Jugg full of water & helped to get some Hay in, came hone we got our Suppers & ^old Geo. & I^ retired to bed betwixt Eleven and Twelve.

Saturday the 21st. Walked about the Key ^in the^ forenoon, ^they all came from Durham races & M^r. Hillum dined at our House, In the afternoon I walked about the Key, in the Evening went a netting

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came home, I got My Supper & retired to bed betwixt Ten & 11.

Sunday the 22^d Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, I spent the Evening with John Cryster in walking, came home we got our Suppers & retired to bed at Ten.

Monday the 23^d Walked about the Key in the forenoon, In the afternoon went down to Winkhamlee & netted as we came home, I got my Supper and retired to bed at Ten.

Tuesday 24th. Walked up & down the Key both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening came home we got our Suppers & retired to bed at Ten.

Wednesday the 25th. I was called up soon in the Morning & went with My Master to see the fire which had broke out beside the Exchange, we came home & retired to bed, I Walked up down the Key, & was upon the Top of the house ^which was on fire,^ In the Evening I went upon the top of the Magazine ^with Tho^s.^ came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Thursday the 26th. Walked up and down the Key both forenoon and afternoon, My Master and Billy went down to Shields, & came home in the Evening, we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

Friday the 27th. Walked about the Key both forenoon and afternoon, came home in the Evening we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Saturday the 28th. Walked about the Key in the Evening took a walk into Gateside, got some money of M^r. Dinkney, & got a wach string in Billy's name, came home we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Ten & Eleven.

Sunday the 29th. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, I asked My Master for his mare but he was going to ride himself, In the Evening took a walk, came home, and got my Supper, My Master & Billy came home and we retired to bed betwixt Ten & Eleven.

Monday the 30th. Went down to Winkhamlee, came home & walked about the Key, the wind, came Southerly and there was a good many Ships came inn, In the Evening I heard Billy his Multiplication Table we got our Suppers & retired to bed at Ten.

Tuesday the 31st. In the forenoon My Master took ^the Ship^ Jonathan & Katherine on, In the Evening took a walk into the high Town and Bought a Couple of Smelling Bottles for Cousin Jos. Coats, came home we got our Suppers & retired to bed at Ten.

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Wednesday the 1st. In the forenoon went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon walked about the

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Key and went into the Bigg Marget & saw several horses, came home, Supt & retired to bed at Eleven.

Thursday the 2^d Went up into the Bigg Market both forenoon & afternoon & saw several horses & Scoch pownes, the master of the fortune dined at our house In the Evening we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Friday the 3^d In the forenoon Capt. Jackson and Capt. Porret his wife and two Gentlewomen dined at our house in the afternoon I walked about the Key, came home I got My Supper, My Master came home & we retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Saturday the 4th. In the forenoon My Master went down to Winkhamlee to get another Keel of Coals but ^I stood^ upon the Key & ordered the Keels up the water, In the afternoon walked about the Key came home we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Sunday the 5th. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening I went with Billy to get some Oysters, came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Monday the 6th. In the morning went into Pipewellgate & went on Board Ditchburn's Keel, then went down with them to Winkhamlee ^the Waggon was Stop by reason of their going four Gates & Stop the Tide,^ came home & went into the Office with My Master came down, & Billy was gone to the Play we Supt and retired to bed at Eleven.

Tuesday the 7th. In the forenoon Went down to Winkhamlee, & went to School in the afternoon, came home & took a Vommit we got our Suppers and retired ^to bed betwixt^ Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the 8th. Went to School both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening old Geo. told me he had seen Miss Coatsworth we got our Suppers & retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the 9th. In the forenoon went to School In the afternoon went to Winkhamlee to see Miss Coatsworth but she was come to Newcastle, we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Friday the 10th. In the morning went to D^r. Stoddart Shop for some Hartsaune & Salvelatnay¹, & went to Fetterson's Office, Went to School both forenoon & afternoon & got a letter from My Mother. In the Evening took a walk to the Shield Field came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

Saturday the 11th. In the forenoon took a walk to the Sand Hill In the afternoon I went to Pinkney's and got some mony and went to see Tho^s. pay the Keelmen, came home we Supt & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Sunday the 12th. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, in the Evening took a walk & got a Scalding of Pease with Jack Peart My Master & Tho^s. fell out we got our Suppers & retired to bed,

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betwixt Nine and Ten.

Monday the 13th. Got up early in the morning & went down to Winkhamlee, came home in the [?*afternoon*], got upon the Chappell Leads & saw the High Sheriff go out, ^there was twenty nine Coaches and Chariots went out to meet My Lord Judge.^ My & Billy took a walk down on Board Cap^t. Clifton, came home we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Tuesday the 14th. Walked about the Key & went into the Malt loft; In the afternoon went to M^r Akenheads to receive some money for Bill ^I^ went to School, came home & got My Supper, My Master was gone anetting he came home then retired to bed betwixt Ten & Eleven.

Wednesday the 15th. Got up early in the Morning and went to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon^ got a Letter from My Mo. & wrote to her^ & Went to the Court and saw Richard Trotter Sentenced to be Hanged In the Evening went but came away before the Trial of the Keelmen was over we got our Suppers & Billy came home from ye Court & retired ^to bed^ at Eleven.

Thursday the 16th. Got up early in the morning & went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon wrote a Note ^to^ M^r. Cartus for Gall. of Tarr & 2 Stone of pitch for John Shade & went to School, came home & got My Supper My Master & Billy came from Netting they Supt & then retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Friday the 17th. Got up early in the morning and went to School & took a walk up into the High & Tho. Hood, alias M^r Closes Man, came home My Master & Billy came from Shouting we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Ten & Eleven.

Saturday the 18th. Got up early in the morning & went to the Towns Court where I saw the Keelmen tried ^& spoke to M^r Close,^ came home, In the afternoon walked about the Key, we Supt & retired to bed at Ten.

Sunday the 19th. Went to Church in the forenoon In the afternoon My Master gave me leave to go & take a walk ^with^ Tho^s. Hood, came home & walked about the Key, M^r Close ^desired to know where Alderman Sowerby^ lived so I showed him, came home we got our Supper & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Monday the 20th. My Master & Billy got up early in the morning and went anetting, but I went down to Winkhamlee, came home and there was a Master of a Ship wanted My Master but he did not come till the Evening. In the afternoon walked about the Key & ^saw^ the prisoners that was to be transported go down to Shields came home Supt & retired to bed at Nine.

¹ i.e. hartshorn and sal volatile, the latter a restorative in fainting fits

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Tuesday the 21st. Went to School in the forenoon, In the afternoon went with Billy & carried a Net to Petre to mend took a ride with him & drunk Tea we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the 22nd Got up early in the morning & went down to Winkhamlee, came home M^{rs} Lodge had sent for me, so I went & dinned with them, In the afternoon walked about the Key came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the 23rd In the forenoon went to School, In the afternoon asked My Master to go out with Billy & Young M^r Harle with the Greyhound but he would not let me so I walked about the Key, In the Evening we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

Friday the 24th. In the forenoon went down to Winkhamlee, ^& My^ Master went to Benton Hopping, In the afternoon walked, In the Evening got my Supper My Master came at Eleven & then retired to bed

Saturday the 25th. I walked about the Key both forenoon & afternoon, In the Evening My Master, Rob^t. Crisp & Billy came from fowling with two Brasse of Birds we got our Suppers, & Mr Crisp went home, but we retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Sunday the 26th. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening took a walk into the Shield Field came home & gave the Keelmen orders to go afield in the morning, we Supt & retired to bed at Nine.

Monday the 27th. Went to School both forenoon & afternoon & saw the Earl of Northumberland go over the Sand Hill, In the Evening we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Tuesday the 28th. Went to School both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening My Master came from anetting and pay'd Geo. Wardale. we got our Suppers & retired to bed Betwixt Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the 29th. In the forenoon went down to Winkhamlee, & saw Miss Coatsworth, In the afternoon walked about the Key & saw the lads come up from the Ships, we Supt & retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Thursday the 30th. In the forenoon My Master took on a Ship for Long Benton, but I walked about the Key, In the afternoon I went down to Winkhamlee My Master had taken on the Fortune, we got our Suppers & retired to bed at Ten.

Friday the 31st. In the forenoon went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon walked about the Key, & at Night was going down to Winkhamlee accompinied by John Peart but overtook old Geo. at the otherside of Baker, so we came home, Supt, & retired to bed at Ten.

SEPTEMBER 1750

Saturday the 1st. In the forenoon ^I^ dined with M^r James & M^r Hodgson of Westauckland at the Pack horse in the Side, In the afternoon walked about the Key came home I got my Supper, Master Billy & self sat up till My Master came in & retired^ to bed at One^ in the morning.

Sunday the 2^d In the morning went into Pilgromstreet for my Shirts & to M^r Slaiters for a Key, & went to Church both forenoon and afternoon In the Evening took a walk with billy up to the Stables, ^My^ Master & Billy Supt at M^{rs} Hudspeths came home & retired to bed betwixt Eight & Nine.

Monday the 3^d In the morning went down to Winkhamlee & Stackt all Day came home in the Evening ^My Master^ & Billy came from Hunting & killed a hair we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Tuesday the 4th. In the morning went down to Winkhamlee and went asetting with Tho^s. Newton & M^r Dent came home in the Evening we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the 5th. In the forenoon I went into the Office & Coppyed out Some Bills, My Master sent me up to Geo, Wardles to tell him if any Body came for the Bitch they might have her, & went up to M^r Feathersons Office, In the afternoon walked about the Key came home, Supt and retired to bed betwixt Eight and Nine.

Thursday the 6th. I walked about the Key Both forenoon and afternoon, & saw several Lads come up from Sheilds, we Supt & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Friday the 7th. Walked about the Key in the forenoon, & In ^the^ afternoon, My Master sent me to seek for Tho^s. to give Ditchburn orders to go down to Winkhamlee at High Water, & took a walk into Pilgrom street to ask M^r James how he did, & to tell the Spouthing Lass, the Close² was come home, I got a pair of M^r James's Sissers Grounded, came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten

Saturday the 8th. In the forenoon Went into Pilgrom street & dined with M^r James, In the afternoon went with Tho^s. to pay the Keelmen, and took in the Keelmen's Names & how many tides they had been this Year, In the Evening My Master & Billy came from a Fowling & I carried Billy's Galloway & the dog down we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Sunday the 9th. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening gave Carncross orders

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to go down to Winkhamlee, we Supt, & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Monday the 10th. In the forenoon went down to Winkhamlee came home & My Master had taken a Ship on for Long Benton Coals, In the afternoon walked about the Key came home, we Supt & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Tuesday the 11th. In the forenoon I rode down to Winkhamlee on Billy's Galloway, In the afternoon took a ride out Billy came home, & Jenny & Me quarreled, but we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the 12th. In the forenoon Went down to Winkhamlee & M^{rs} Smith & Jack Dowson dinned at our house, In the afternoon I walked about the Key saw Cousin Ra. Reed, & got a Letter from My Father with a pair of Muffite's³ from Sister Hannah, came ^home^ Supt & retired to bed betwixt Eight & Nine.

Thursday the 13th. I walked about the Key both forenoon & afternoon, In the Evening I took a walk into the Shield field with Billy Henderson, came home & M^{rs}. Hudspeth was at our house we got our Suppers, M^{rs} Hudspeth went away and we retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Friday the 14th In the forenoon I walked about the Key, In the afternoon I went with Billy to carry a ^Stone^ Bottle to the Carrier to carry to Oxen Field, then went & fetched the Dogs down, In the Evening I sat with Billy Henderson till our folks had done Cleaning, came home we Supt & retired to bed at Nine.

Saturday the 15th. In the forenoon I walked about the Key, In the afternoon ^Billy Hudspeth rode down to Tinmouth with M^r. French,^ I went with Tho^s. to pay the Men, & took a walk with Billy Henderson, came home we got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Sunday the 16th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon & I went up to the post house, & heard St. John's Organ Play it being the first time, came home & drunk Tea at M^{rs} Hudspeths & sat the Evening with Alex^r. Burton came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Eight.

Monday the 17th. In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I walked about the Key & drunk Tea with Alex^r. Bourton came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

Tuesday the 18th. In the morning went down to Winkhamlee came home, In the Evening I went on Board Cap^t. Clifton were I got some Apples & saw a Monkey along-side of them, took onto the Sandhill & to the post house, came home, we got our Suppers and retired to bed at Ten.

² presumably the names of 2 ships

³ possibly mufflers worn round the neck

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Wednesday the 19th. In the morning I wrote a Letter to My Mother & Cap^t. Clifton gave me some Apples, then went down to the Staith & stayed there all Day, came home & retired to bed at Nine.

Thursday the 20th. In the forenoon I went up to M^r Fetterstones Office & when I came down I found Cousin Tho^s. Spencer & M^r John Jefferson along with him & they desired that My Master would go & also Me along with him in the Evening, but My Master said it would be better for me to go after Dinner so I went & walked all round the Town along with them, then to Margarite Beavers it being their Lodgings & drunk Tea with them there then I came down with M^r Spencer's Man to invite My Master to go up & he told us he would so he followed us, we got our Suppers, & M^r Spencer came from ^Young M^r Fetterstones^ they drank two or three Bottles of Wine then came home & retired to bed betwixt One and Two in the Morning.

Friday the 21st. In the morning I went up to M^{rs} Beavers & Drunk Tea with My Cousin Spencer Miss Ward, & M^r & M^{rs} Jefferson & saw them take Coach at the foot of the side, but Cousin Tho^s. Spencer & self walked down to the Sand Hill & then parted, In the Evening I went up to Pilgrom street^ & saw M^r^ James, I got a Bite of Supper along with him came home & found My Master, Cap^t. Clifton, & Master Billy was come from Hunting we Supt, & retired to bed at Nine.

Saturday the 22^d In the morning I went to bid M^r James farewell, In the afternoon I went along and payed the Keelmen Myself, In the Evening I went on Board the Cap^t. & took a Shovel in my Hand & helpt to Clear the Degs, came home we Supt & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Sunday the 23rd In the morning after I had got My Cloths on & was reading My Master called Me down & when I had got into the Kitching, I saw My Master Struckling with Jenny to get a String from about her neck ^with^ which My Master thought She was agoing to Strangle herself, but I cut it with My Knife then I went to Church both forenoon & afternoon, & Drunk Tea with Alexander Bourton, My Master was at Archebald Rutherfords Burial, came home We got our Suppers & retired to bed betwixt Eight and Nine.

Monday the 24th. In the morning I went down to Winkhamlee, In afternoon My Master ^sent me to pay some money for some Sheets Oars & Swapes to old M^r Henry Atkinson,^ & bid me ask ^old^ Geo. if he would come again but he would not ^so we Supt & retired^ to bed at Nine.

Tuesday the 25th. I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee & old Geo. came to our house again, & My Master had taken a ride ^with Billy^ down to Jarah Key, In the afternoon I spoke to M^r Taylor how he would take Me at Nights, & he told Me half a Guinea a Quarter & a Crown Entrence, I went home My Master, Billy & Lionel Trotter came home we got our Suppers & retired to

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bed at Nine.

Wednesday the 26th. In the morning I wrote to My Father & carried it to the Carriage Man, In the afternoon My Mas. sent Me to recieve some Money, came home & gave W^m. Alexander orders to go to Winkham^e. we Supt and retired to bed at Nine.

Thursday the 27th. I went to School both forenoon & afternoon, In the Evening I bought a Book Called Dilworth's Arithmetick & saught My Master, to get some Apples of Henry Marchal, & I found him, came home & he Bought some Apples & pears, we eat some & then retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Friday the 28th. In the morning I went down to Winkhamlee, but My Master & Billy went to Morpeth races, In the Evening I gave Ditchburn orders to go down to Winkhamlee & I saw M^r James I came home and got My Supper, My Master, Billy, and M^r Hillum came home, old Geo. & Me carried the Horses to Stables, we came home and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Saturday the 29th. M^r Hillum Lade at our house, I went to the New printing Office & call on M^r James, then went to Winkhamlee came home & bid M^r James farewell, In the afternoon I walked about the Key, In the Evening My Master made me read a piece in the newspaper, we Supt & retired to bed at Nine.

Sunday the 30th. Last Day of the Month. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening I Drunk Tea with Alex^r. Bourton & took a walk along with him came home we got our Suppers & retired to bed at Nine.

OCTOBER 1750

Monday the 1st. In the forenoon My Master, Billy, & Daniel Harle went out a Gunning, & I went to Alderman Soersbies Brassyard to Bill Henderson, In the afternoon, I did the same & went upon the Sandhill and saw Alderman Soersbie Coming down, Mayor, & W^m. Clayton Shirriff, came home & saw abote burnt in the Middle of the River & Guns fired for Joy, ^My Master & Billy^ came home and retired to bed at Ten.

Tuesday the 2^d I went to School both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening I went to Alderman Soersbie's Brassyard to Bill Henderson and we read their, came home & retired to bed at Nine.

Wednesday the 3^d In the morning I went to fetch Marge^t. Rosbrough's Malt, My Master & Billy went down to Shields, I went to School both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening Master and Billy

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came home and we retired to bed betwixt Eight and Nine.

Thursday the 4th. I went to School both forenoon & afternoon, In the Evening I went with Billy to get some Candles, came home and retired to bed betwixt Eight and Nine.

Friday the 5th. In the morning My Master was not very well and I went to School, In the afternoon I took a ride with Billy, and as I stood upon the Key saw a Ship Landed from M^r. Charlton's Landing with her rigging on then went up to the post house & called at the Bird & Bush & asked M^r. James how he did came home & retired to bed at Nine.

Saturday the 6th. In the forenoon I walked about the Key, In the afternoon I took out with Billy & drunk Tea with him, came home & retired to bed betwixt Eight and Nine.

Sunday the 7th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, In the Evening drunk Tea with alexan^r. Bourton & got a Letter from my Brother & several Ships sent up to our house, and we retired to bed betwixt Eight and Nine.

Monday the 8th. In the morning I went into the Maltloft with George, & several Masters came to our house, Mr. Presswick & another Master dined, In the Evening Several more Ships sent up, but we retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Tuesday the 9th. In the afternoon I took a walk with Billy to their School came home & took a ride with him came home & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the 10th. In the forenoon M^r. Newton came up & My Master sent me down into Sandgate to tell ^the Keelmen not to go to^ Tho^s. orders, In the afternoon I got a letter from my Father, & wrote to him againe, then went down to Winkhamlee, and came home after was dark in one of M^r. Holt's Keels, with some more of the Fitters Servants and retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the 11th. In the forenoon I walked about the Key, In the afternoon took a ride with Billy, came home & My Master told me to help Billy to make some Squibs, then I went up to M^r. Marchels in pilgrim street with a Letter, came home and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Friday the 12th. In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I walked about the Key, In the Evening I went to ask M^r. Coalpits if he was going out a Hunting, & then for Master Billy's Boots and other riding Cloaths, My Master told some mery Stories & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Saturday the 13th. We all got up early to ^let^ Billy out, and went to Bed again, got up again and I went down to Winkhamlee, In the Evening I went with Tho^s. Carnerossf with a five Shilling paper the wanted threepence, came home and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Sunday the 14th. I went to Church both forenoon & afternoon, In the Evening I sat with Alexander

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Bourton came home, we Supt, My Master Smoked a pipe and retired to bed at Nine.

Monday the 15th. In the forenoon M^r. Presswick came up, & I went to the Hill for some potatoes & Horseradish In the Evening M^r. Charlton & the Master that he had built the Ship[^] called the Fame[^] for, sat the Evening, I gave on the Ship for Tamfield Coals when the were gone we retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Tuesday the 16th. In the forenoon, I went along with Billy & Bargoned with M^r. Taylor, the writing master, In the afternoon I walked about the Key [^]& was My Masters Birth Day,[^] & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the 17th. In the forenoon I went up to M^r. Fetherstone's Office and saw some Dragoons go out, In the afternoon I went to the writing School & likewise in the Evening, came home & My Master & Billy went to M^r. BlenckeShips, but I Retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Thursday the 18th. In the morning M^r. Gibson came to our house, In the afternoon I went to carry 1 lb of Gunpowder [^]to Gateside[^] & got a Letter from My Father, & another from Cousin Joseph Coats, with an Inclosier for M^r. Thoresby in the Castle Yard w^{ch}. I delivered, In the Evening M^r. & Miss Hudspeth's came to our house, My Master & Billy played at Baggamond, & retired to bed Ten & Eleven.

Friday the 19th. In the forenoon [^]I saw M^r. Kuit & Crowder then went to School,[^] I went to the Custom House to speak to My Master & M^r. Tunstall, M^r. Hilburn & M^r. Railston Dined at [^]our[^] house, In the afternoon I went up to the Stables for M^r. Hillum's Mair, but Geo. Wardel was gone to [^]the[^] Fair upon Her, then I took a walk along with Lionel Trotter, up to the fair, at Night [^]I went to School came home & [^]We heard the firebell ring, We went up to the house beside the White Cross, but it was almost out, so We came home & retired to bed betwixt Ten & Eleven.

Saturday the 20th. In the forenoon I went to bid M^r. James Fairwell, In the afternoon I went with Tho^s. to pay the Keelmen, came home & retired to bed at Ten.

Sunday the 21st. In the forenoon I went to Church, In the afternoon went to the Bridge end Chappel, came home & My Master sent Me to seek for Shade but I could not find him, & I drunk Tea with Alex^r. Bourton & retired to bed at Ten.

Monday the 22^d In the forenoon I went to School, In the afternoon I rode down to Winkhamlee behind Billy & got the Vend, came home, My Master & M^r. Harle was Smoaking & after he was gone Jenny took the pett and sat at the foot of the Stairs, and I stood in the Middle of them till she came up and then retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

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Tuesday the 23rd I went to School both forenoon & afternoon, In the Evening took a walk up to the Stables along with Billy, came home & My Master & Billy played at Baggamond & then we retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the 24th. In the forenoon I went to School, brough a Bottle of Ink & some pens for My Master & I got a Letter from M^r. Allen, In the afternoon I wrote to my Father, & drunk Tea with Billy, then I went to School, came home & retired to bed at Nine.

Thursday the 25th. In the forenoon My Master and Billy went down to Shields, but I went to School, In the Evening they came home we got our Suppers and retired to bed betwixt Eight and Nine.

Friday y^e. 26th. In the forenoon I went to School ^and saw some Dragoons come in,^ In the afternoon I went into M^{rs} Wanley's & sat with Alex^r. Bourton, In the Evening I went to School, came home & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Saturday y^e. 27th. In the forenoon I went to School & saw the Soldiers exersise, & Dined with M^r James, In the Evening I took a Treakel posset for a Cowld, M^r Reavely & M^r Reed 1 came here, & My Master went out with them, and when he came in we retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Sunday ye 28th. In the Morning I was very ill in My Cowld, so I did not go to Church, at Night M^{rs} Hudspeth & Misses Supped at ^our^ house, when they were gone we retired to bed at Nine.

Monday y^e. 29th. In the forenoon I went to buy some potatoes, In the afternoon I went to School, & at night likewise, came home, and retir'd to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Tuesday y^e. 30th. In the Morning I Saught for some of our Keelmen, at noon I heard the Soldiers fire for the King's Birth Day, In the Evening My Master & Billy play'd at ^Baggamond^ & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Wednesday y^e. 31st. I went to School both forenoon & afternoon went to M^r Harrison's ^Shop^ for some Capers but he had none, then went to acquaint M^r Henry. Atkinson that he might have a Cowple of ^Keels of^ Long Benton Coals In the Evening, Billy & self went to M^{rs} Hudspeth's & play'd at y^e. apple & Candle, came home we Supt play'd at y^e. same in our house, & retired to bed at Ten.

NOVEMBER 1750

Thursday y^e. 1st. In the forenoon My Master ^and^ Billy went to Shields, and I went to School, & helped Geo. to get in the Hay, In the Evening My Master & Billy came home, and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

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Friday y^e. 2^d I went to School both forenoon and afternoon, and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Saturday y^e. 3^d In the forenoon I went to School and called on M^r James but he did not come this week, In the afternoon I sat besides Alex^r. Bourton & read came home and retired to bed at Ten.

Sunday y^e. 4th. I went to Church both forenoon & afternoon Drunk Tea with Alex^r. Bourⁿ My Master & Billy went up to Westgate came home & retired to bed betwixt Ten & Eleven.

Monday ye. 4th My Master & Billy went a Grayhound Coursing & I went to Alderman Soersby's Brassyard, came home & got up some malt & retir'd to bed betwixt Ten & Eleven.

Tuesday ye. 6th. In the forenoon I went to School but M^r Taylor was abroad, In the afternoon Billy & self went to Westgate & got some Horse Fless & served y^e. Dogs, My Master & Billy, & self Supt at M^{rs} Hudspeths came home and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Wednesday y^e. 7th. I went to School both forenoon & afternoon & wrote a Letter to My Father, In the Evening I went to M^r Peacocks & Frank went with Me to School, My Master & Billy went up to M^{rs} Hudspeth's when they came home we retired to bed at Eleven.

Thursday y^e. 8th. In the forenoon I went to School, In y^e. afternoon I went to Aldermen Sowerby's Brassyard, came home My Master & Billy played at dice & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Friday ye. 9th. I went to School both forenoon & afternoon, Billy and self went to Alderman Sowerby's Brassyard & I went to School, came home and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Saturday y^e. 10th. In the forenoon I went to School, In the afternoon My Master sent Me to tell Anderson to come to him, and I drunk Tea with Alex^r. Bourton, In the Evening M^r Reavley came to our house, and when he went away we retired to bed betwixt Eleven & Twelve.

Sunday y^e. 11th. Billy called me early in the Morning for was going to see John Hebden, but I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, ^retired^ into My Room and read; & we retired to bed at Nine.

Monday y^e. 12th. In the forenoon I went to School & ^My Master sent me to seek for Tho^s.,^ In the afternoon Billy & self went to Alderman Sowerby's Brassyard, In the Evening I went to School came home, Lionel Trotter was at our house & I retired to bed betwixt Eleven and Twelve.

Tuesday y^e. 13th. In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I went to School, In the Evening took a walk with Billy, up to the Castle Garth Stairs & down the Side, Jenny took some of her mad fits, & ^we^ retired to bed at Ten.

Wednesday y^e. 14th. In the forenoon I went down to y^e Staith & saw M^r Dent Kill a Hair, In the afternoon I went to School & Alderman Sowerby's Brassyard, In the Evening I went to School, came

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home & retired to bed betwixt Nine & Ten.

Thursday y^e. 15th. In the afternoon I went down to Winkhamlee, came home but was not very well, so Geo. & self went to the other house and looked how the fire was, & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Friday y^e. 16th. We all got up early in the morning, My Master and Billy went a Greyhound Coursing, In y^e Evening, I went up to the Stables with Billy to give the horses a mash because they had got the Distemper, I went to School; came home and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Saturday y^e. 17th. In the forenoon I went to School, In the afternoon I took a walk with Billy up to the Stables, and went to the Canhouse, In the Evening I went with Billy to buy some prunes and with Geo. to the other ^house^ to boyl some plucks for the Dogs, came home and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Sunday y^e. 18th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, My Master sent Me to see how the Horses did, and made Me read a Chapter in the Bible, In the Evening I drunk Tea wth. Alex^r. Bourton when M^r. & M^{rs}. Cockly was theire, came home & retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Monday y^e. 19th In the forenoon I went up to the Stables along with Billy to give the Horses a drink, In the afternoon I went for the Miller, and to M^r. Marley's ^at Dunston^ with a Letter In the Evening I went wth. Billy up to the Stables, I took a Stury [?] for my Could and retired to bed betwixt Seven and Eight.

Tuesday y^e. 20th In the forenoon I went to M^r. Marshal's in pilgrom street to see if they wou'd have the paper taken down in the other house and to M^r. Peacock's in Sangate, came home went into the Office copy'd over M^r. Websters Loading, In the afternoon I went over to the other house and saw them hang My Masters Room with paper, came home and retired to bed at Ten.

Wednesday y^e. 21st. In the forenoon old Geo. and self took an account of part of the Keels Gear, it being a bad afternoon I wrote a Letter to My Fa^r. and went to School, In the Evening I went to the other house and saw them hang the fore parler with paper ^came^ home and retired to bed at Nine.

Thursday ye. 22^d In the forenoon I went to School, and to the Maltlofts, In the afternoon I went to the Maltlofts and to the New house and saw them hang the paper^ & & drunk Tea at M^{rs}. Hudspeths,^ and to the Stables, came home and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Friday y^e. 23rd In the forenoon I went to the other house & did odd jobs, In the afternoon ^and night^ I went to School came home and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Saturday y^e. 24th. In the forenoon I went with Geo. to take an Account of the Keel Gear, In the

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forenoon I went with Billy to M^r. Hilcoats at the head of the Long Stares, and to the other house where
^I drunk Tea and^ Geo. and self Laid & retired to bed at 11.

Sunday y^e. 25th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, and to the Stables twice, came home
and Geo. & self retired to bed in the other house betwixt Eight and Nine.

Monday y^e. 26th. I went to the other house and carried some Goods over, Drunk Tea & retired to
bed ^wth. Geo.^ betwixt 10 & 11.

Tuesday y^e. 27th. & Wednesday y^e. 28th. I carried Goods ^over^ & retired to bed ^with Geo.^
betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Thursday y^e. 29th. In the forenoon I went to School and to M^r. Fetherstones Office, ^In the afternoon
I^ carried Goods and retired to bed in the same room wth. My Master at Ten.

Friday y^e. 30th. I carried over some Goods, and retired to bed betwixt Eleven and Twelve.

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Saturday y^e. 1st. In the Morning I went to M^r. Birds and saw Cousin Ra: Reed off Darlington, In the
forenoon I went to the Town's house to receive some mony of Alderⁿ. Peareth and to pilgrom street but
M^r. James did not come this week, I walked about the Key and retired to bed at Eleven.

Sunday y^e. 2^d In the forenoon I went to All S^{ts}. Church, In the afternoon to S^t. Nicholas's, and I
drunk Tea wth. Billy Hudspeth & Lewis Hick at M^{rs}. Hudspeth's came home and retired to bed at Ten.

Monday y^e. 3^d In the forenoon I helped My Master to sort the Cash Books, and went down to the
Carpenter's, In the afternoon I went to School, came ^home^ and found Jacky Campion at our house,
they went up to M^{rs} Hudspeth's and when they came home we retired to bed betwixt Twelve and One.

Tuesday y^e. 4th. My Master Billy and Jacky Campion went down to Shields but I went to School
both forenoon and afternoon, when My Master and Billy came home we retired to bed betwixt Nine and
Ten.

Wednesday y^e. 5th. I got a Letter from My Fa^r. and wrote to him again, I went to School both
forenoon, afternoon and at night, came home and retired to bed at Eleven.

Thursday y^e. 6th. In the forenoon I went to School, In the afternoon I went with Billy to Mr
Swinney's upon the bridge, and to Mr Haggerston's came home and retired to bed betwixt Ten &
Eleven.

Friday y^e. 7th. I went to School both forenoon and afternoon, to M^r Hilcoats at the Head of the long

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Stairs, at Night Jerry Anderson and his brother was at our house, when they went away we retired to bed betwixt 10 & 11.

Saturday the 8th. In the forenoon I went to School and to the Maltlofts to see 12 Bowls of Oats livered, In the afternoon I went to the Canhouse and saw the Keelmen payed, came home and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Sunday the 9th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, drunk Tea and retired to bed betwixt Nine and Ten.

Monday the 10th. In the forenoon I went to M^r Akenheads Shop upon the Bridge for some Paper and other things, and I went to the Maltlofts to take up some Malt for M^{rs} Hudspeth and Margaret Bone the Can Wife, In the afternoon I walked about the Key, at night My Master ^had a Note^ brought to him wherein he was indebted to M^r Tho^s. Waters Fitter £22- s14-d4 but he knew nothing of it, so we looked over all the Ticket Books, and retired to bed at Ten, My Master sent me down Stairs at Midnight to ask Jenny if the fore parler window Showts was fast, they were, so I went to bed again.

Tuesday the 11th. My Master and self looked over all the Cash Books, but could find nothing of the Debt, In the afternoon I carried old Geo. some Dinner for he could not come for it as he ^had^ Slipped his Anclett, I marked on the pokes of fire Coal that came inn, I also went to M^r Scafes Merch^t. in the Side for some Sope and Blew for the washer wife, Mr Punton sat the Evening wth. My Master when he went away I went to ask how Geo. did came home and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven

Wednesday the 12th. In the Morning I went to ask Geo. how he did, I carried some Cloaths to wash at Betty dixon's, called at the Carriers, got a Letter from My Father wth. a poke to put My Cloaths in, In the afternoon I sent My Cloaths away By the Carriers, and & drunk Tea wth. My Master at Night My Master Smoaked his pipe and retired to bed at Eleven.

Thursday the 13th. In the forenoon I went to School and to Betty Dixons to tell her to send My Masters two Long Neckcloaths and I went to M^r Reavely's y^e Cabinets Maker to tell him to send a Work Man to set up My Bed & to the Millers, In the afternoon I drunk Tea wth. My Mast^r. at Night we retired to ^bed betwixt^ Ten and Eleven.

Friday the 14th. In the forenoon I walked upon the Key, In the afternoon I went wth. Billy to M^r Reeds in Gateside, and to M^r Bells to see if My Galloway was come, but it was not, so I drunk Tea with M^{rs} Hudspeth, In the Evening we went again and got the Galloway, we went up to Betty Dixons for My Cloaths, and we went to the Stables wth. the Galloway, came home & retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

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Saturday y^e. 15th. In the forenoon I came from N.Castle accompinied by Billy Hudspeth to Chester le Street, and by M^r Jameses Man to Westaukland, we called at Durham and Bishopaukland, and when we got Cousin Wards Billy James and Miss came over, when they went away I retired to bed at Eleven.

Sunday y^e. 16th. In the forenoon I did not go to Church but Read, In the afternoon Miss Coatsworths Drunk Tea at Cousin Wards, Cousin Bett Ward and self went to M^r James ^and^ when Cousin Harrison and sally Ward came from Mr Carrs I retired to bed at Ten.

Monday y^e. 17th. In the forenoon I came from Westaukland to Richmond, In the Evening Sis^r. Dolly & self went down to M^r Deightons to ask how they did, came home and I retired to bed at Ten.

Tuesday y^e. 18th. In the forenoon I went down to the Market place to see all Friends there and I went to Church, In the afternoon I took a walk wth. Jacky Deighton to Mr Bows, came home M^{rs} Leroy Drunk Tea at our house, I got My Supper and retired to bed at Eleven.

Wednesday y^e. 19th. In the forenoon I went with Miss Kirby & Sisters to Easby to Ann Carlins, and walked about the outside of the Hall, In the afternoon I went to M^{rs} Viritys into the Room wth. My Fa^r. & M^r Moor I ^also^ went to M^r Brass Shop, from thence to Tho^s. Tompson the Taylors, came home and read in the History of Robison Crusoe till bed Time, & retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Thursday the 20th. In the forenoon I went wth. M^r Allen Sen^r. to pay for a Waistcoat, & went to Church, In the afternoon I went wth. Ra. Brekell, John Deighton & James Gately to cut some sticks, In the Evening I went to M^{rs} Deightons wth. Jacky came home & retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Friday the 21st. In the Morning I took a ride wth. My Fa^r. to Darlington, In the afternoon Cousin Ra. Reed & Cousin J. Pease came to Cousin drink a Bowl of Punce wth. him, In the Evening we came home & found that M^r Stoop, Miss Kirby, Cousin Allen & Sisters playing at Cards after Supper I play'd, and retired to bed at Eleven.

Saturday the 22^d In the Morning I went down Street to Coat but it was not ready, In the afternoon I copied over an Advertisement concerning the Free Grammar School and I carried it to M^r Johnson's to desire they would give it to ^the^ Man that takes in N.Castle Advertisements, In the Evening I went down to Tho^s. Tompson's the Taylor, came home read in the History of Robinson Crusoe, & retired to bed at Ten.

Sunday y^e. 22^d In the Morning I took a walk wth. My Fa^r. into the pasture and went to Church both forenoon and afternoon I sat in M^r Deighton's pue, In the Evening I took a walk with Jacky & Kitty Deighton Into the Gallow fields came home and read & retired to bed at Ten.

Monday ye. 24th. In the Morning I carried Tilby plues some Beastling Mill [?], In the forenoon I

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went down Street wth. My Fa^r. and helped him to make Bence [*? a fence*] in the long Garden. In the afternoon I chopped some Sticks and saw M^{rs} Richinson Buried, came home it being Christmas Eve we all had some Apples and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Tuesday the 25th. It being Christmas Day I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon In the Evening I took a ride into Witly, came home, and retired to bed betwixt Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the 26th. In the Morning I went ahunting wth. M^r Deighton & Jacky ^but killed none,^ In the Evening we came home, and I found Miss Smith and Mas^r. Laton, when they were gone we got our Suppers and played at Cards, then My Fa^r. & self went to M^r Kilburns to fetch Sist^r. Hannah home and retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the 27th. In the Morning I went into the Stables, & in the afternoon I went wth. My Fa^r. to ^see^ M^r Warton's Hall of Gilling wood w^{ch}. was all burnt to ashe & I went to M^r Watson's in Gilling who took Measure of Me for a Whigg, In the afternoon read y^e. History of Robinson Crusoe, we got our Suppers, and retired to bed at Nine.

Friday the 28th. In the Morning look'd into the Stable & Cowhouse and got in some Breakins [?], In the forenoon I went to Church, In the afternoon I went to the Town end wth. Ra. Brockell, at Night Mr Allen was at our house we play'd at Cards and retired to bed between Ten & 11.

Saturday the 29th. In the forenoon I went down Street and took a walk with Jacky Deighton, In the afternoon I took a ride wth. same Boy and drunk Tea with Miss Kirby at Night we play'd at Cards and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Sunday the 30th. I went to Church both forenoon, In the Evening I took a ride with Jacky Deighton to S^t. Trennions, came home, and read four Chapters in the Bible, and retired to bed between Nine & 10.

Monday the 31st. In the Morning I helped to get some hay in, came in and helped to Scrape ye Pick, In the afternoon I helped to clean part of the Back Courting, took in the Horses & Cows, at Night Cousin Betty and Rosy Coats came to our and played at Cards, when they were gone we retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

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Tuesday the 1st. In the Morning I went into the Stables and cleaned the Back Courting, In the forenoon I went to Church wth. My Sisters and Dolly & self called at M^r Deighton, My Fa^r. received a

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Letter from My Mas^r. calling Me to N.Castle. In the afternoon went to the Coblers to get My Shoe mended I went down Street and took My leave of M^r Allen and all M^r Deighton's family & retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Wednesday the 2^d In the Morning My Father went into the Dales but I went to West Auckland, In the afternoon M^{rs}, Miss & Billy James, M^{rs} Boice ^& Miss Coatsworths^ Drunk Tea at Cousin Wards at Night M^{rs} Boice went away and M^r John James came over and we played at Cards, M^r John James took a fitt and Miss Coatsworth took one after him so Billy James & self went to tell M^r & M^{rs} Coatsworth that their Daughters would not go home but as we came back we met Cousin Harrison, Miss James and Miss Nancy Coatsworth going to tell her Fa^r. & Mo^r. and when we got home we got M^r James home and I retired to bed wth. Billy at Mr James between Eleven and Twelve.

Thursday the 3^d In the Morning I set forward in My Journey to NewCastle and called at M^r Hutchinson's in Durham, Billy was not at home so I proceeded in My Journy and Got to N.Castle between Two and Three in the afternoon, after I had set up My Galloway at M^{rs} Pinkney's in Gateside, I went to My Master's ^& drunk Tea at M^{rs} Hudspeths^ I retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Friday the 4th. in the Morning I went for some Sweet oyl, and went into the Office wth. Jos. to draw out the Fitters Acc^{ts}., In the afternoon I walked in the Exchange till My Master came out of Court, then I went into the Office and at Night we retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Saturday the 5th. In the Morning I went to Chester le Street accompinied by Billy Hudspeth, who left me there, I called at Durham, and dined at M^r Hutchinson's, In the afternoon I proceded in my Journy to Westaukland and I called at Bishopaukland, at Cousin Dolly Carr's & I saw Cousin Nancy Dunn, who gave me some aumonds & raisons, at Night two young M^r James came over, and Billy & self retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Sunday y^e. 6th. I went from Westaukland ^to Richmond^ and met Geo. at Pearsbridge, In the afternoon I went to Church & retir'd to bed at Nine.

Monday the 7th. In the afternoon I drunk Tea with my Sisters at M^r Thirkells, where we Supped and played at Cards, when we came home we retired to bed at Eleven.

Tuesday the 8th. In the afternoon I took a ride to Sceebly to James Allens for a piece of Plush⁴, In the afternoon I helped to Spread ^Mannor^ in the pastor, at Night Billy Hutchinson & Billy James came to our house and played at Cards, and retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the 9th. In the forenoon I set y^e Young Gentlemen to Gillin, and spoke to M^r Watson ab^t.

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my Wigg, In the afternoon I road to Oliver with Sis^r. Hannah, came home and met Miss Kirby, my Mother and Sisters, so I carried the Mair home and went wth. them when we came home my Sisters and self went to Miss wrathers where we Supt, and played at Cards, came home and retired to bed at Eleven.

Thursday the 10th. and Friday the 11th. I stayed at home, and at Night retired to bed at Nine.

Saturday the 12th in the Morning I went down to Scorton to ask M^{rs} Bentley how she did, at Night I came home and, went to M^r Deightons wth; my Father and M^r Temple, when we came home we retired to bed betwixt Eleven and Twelve.

Sunday the 13th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, and went with my Father to the Common Hall to see M^r Brass chose Mayor, at Night we retired to bed at Nine.

Monday the 14th. In the morning my Sister Hannah was taken very ill, in the afternoon I went with Miss Kirby, My Mother, and Sisters to Mr Blackburns, when we came home we retired to bed at Nine.

Tuesday the 15th. I went to the Court to see y^e. Mayor swore in came home and retired to bed at Nine.

Wednesday the 16th. I stayed at home and retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Thursday the 17th. I went to the Court, to see prisoners examined for the murder of one Patrick, but the Hall was so full the Justices could not get up to bench, & retired to bed at Ten.

Friday the 18th. In the afternoon Mr Allen came to our house and played at Cards, and when he went away we retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Saturday the 19th. I went down Street both forenoon and afternoon, at Night I retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Sunday the 20th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon at Night we all retired to bed at Nine.

Monday the 21st. In the morning the Workmen came to set the perpetual pots, at Night I went with my Father and M^r Temple to Kilburns where we Supt, and played at Cards, came home and retired to bed at Eleven.

Tuesday the 22^d In the morning I set out of Richmond in order for NewCastle accompanied by my Father to Oldbrough, we called at M^r Seamours, and I left my Father there and I got to Westaukland ab^t. two o'Clock, I retired to bed at Ten.

Wednesday the 23rd I proceded in my Journey and got to NewCastle ab^t. two o'Clock, wrote to my Father, and sent the Galloway home again, I drunk with M^{rs} Hudspeth but Billy was gone into Yorkshire

⁴ a soft fabric

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with Jacky Campion, at night my was out and when he came home we retired to bed at Twelve.

Thursday the 24th. In the forenoon I went to asked M^r Akenheads if he wanted the Bill he was speaking of to My Master, In the afternoon I walked upon the Key, at night we retired to bed at Ten.

Friday the 25th. In the forenoon, I went to order all the Keels that came in to go up the water, In the afternoon I went into the Office & wrote in my Journal, at night I went up to the Post house and we retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Saturday the 26th. In the forenoon I walked ab^t. the Key ^& went for some Surrup of Capitalary⁵, M^r Railston dinn'd at our house,^ In the afternoon Jos. and self went to M^r Peareths for some Brass, and went to pay the Keelmen, at Night, I went to Cortus & Atkinson's for some tobacco, but the lofts was shout in, so I went to M^r Partises, came home and retired to bed at Eleven.

Sunday the 27th. Went to Church both forenoon and afternoon at night I went to the Post house and retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Monday the 28th. Jos. and self went into the Office and looked over the Reckoning Book to see if it was rite, and we went to see if Alexander Paterson wanted any mony to pay for the house his Ant lived in as she was dead, In the afternoon my Mast^r. took on a Large Ship and I went to give ^some of^ the Keelmen orders to go to the Dike, but there was so much Ice in the River they could not go up, my Master went out & when he came in we Retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Tuesday the 29th. In the morning I went to M^r Hilcoats at the Head of the Long Stairs for a dog chain and Joe. and self went into the Office, both forenoon and afternoon, at night we retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Wednesday the 30th. In the morning I went to the Carriers Inn, and got a Letter from my Father and wrote to him again, Jos. & self was in the Office both forenoon ^& afternoon^ at Night M^r Pinkney's man came to tell me Cousin ^Deighton^ was come, we retired to bed in the Office between Ten and Eleven.

Thursday the 31st. In the forenoon My Master took me to M^{rs} Hudspeths to look at my hands and breast, and I saw Cousin Deighton upon the Sand hill. In the afternoon I went with Geo. into the Maltloft at night, I went to Mr Deighton's Inn, & Supt with him came home & retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

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Friday the 1st. In the forenoon I went into the Office, In the afternoon I went up to the Stables with ^the^ dogs, came home and found my Father in the Lane, we went and drunk Tea at M^{rs} Hudspeths In the Evening I went over to Gateside with my Father came home to invite my Master to go over, but he did not so. I stayed at home and retired to bed at Nine.

Saturday the 2^d. In the Breakfasted in the Parler, wth. my Fa^r. & Mas^r. In the forenoon I took a walk wth. my Father into the Town, In the afternoon I went wth. Jos. to pay the Keelmen and sat with my Fa^r. & Cousin Deighton at Mr Pinkneys came home and retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Sunday the 3^d. In the morning went into Gateshead to see my Father and Cousin Deighton, and came over, when they came to bid farewell, went over with them again and saw them take horse, In the afternoon I went to the Post house & the Bels had rung in, at night I took a Treakell Possett and retired to bed at Nine.

Monday the 4th. In the morning I went to pay M^r Akenhead the Stationer for the things my Master ought him for w^{ch}. came to £1 - s3 - 4 ½ d, and went to M^r Geo. Ord wth. a Ballast warrant, and to M^r Hilcoats for our room window rods, In the afternoon I went into the Office, at Night Jos, went to bed but I went into Pilgrom street for my Master, when he came home I retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Tuesday the 5th. In the morning I went upon the Bridge to see a Keel that was upon the Bridge, In the afternoon I took an Acc^t. of them all that went into the loft and I payed the Laborers, at night I was very ill and retired to bed between Seven and Eight.

Wednesday the 6th. In the morning I took an Acc^t. of the fire Coals and went into the Office, In the afternoon I went to the Carriers, and carried a Letter for my Mother, then went into the Office, ^&^ at night we retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the 7th. Jos. and self went into the Office both forenoon and afternoon, at night we retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Friday the 8th. In the morning I went upon the Key, and the River was froze over, and I went to the New printing Office a Bottle of British Oyl, In the afternoon I went to Sandhill to carry a Letter for M^r Allison near Darlington, at night M^r Tunstal came to our house, & when he went away we retir'd to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Saturday the 9th. In the forenoon I went wth. Jos. to M^r Carricks Shop for some Coper, In the

⁵ capillaire: a syrup flavoured with orange-flower water

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afternoon I went to M^r Smiths at the head of the Side for five Shillings, that wanted of the money he sent to my Mas^r. then went to the canhouse, came home, & when my Master came in we retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Sunday the 10th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, at night we retired to bed at Nine,

Monday the 11th. In the morning I went to order some of the Keels to Winkhamlee, In the forenoon I walked, upon the Key, M^r Hillum and M^r Simpson dined at our house, In the afternoon I went into the Office & made a Bagge to put my Coper in; In the evening I went to M^{rs} Fetherston's Office wth. One Hundred Pounds, and got a receipt, at night we retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Tuesday the 12th. In the morning I went to the New printing Office for a Bottle ^of^ M^r Pittan's Nervus Drops, In the forenoon I went wth. Master to the Custom house for an Over Sea Sufferrence & I went to seek for M^r Courling for the Kee of his loft to Stop some holes, w^{ch}. some malt got through, & took up some malt for Margaret Bone, In the afternoon I brought the dogs down, & carried them up to the Stables again, & went into the Office, Jenny went out & I minded the house and read in the first volume of an Historical Geography of the Old Testament, In the evening I went down to the Canhouse to tell them to set all the Keels that came up, away to the Dyke & sat at Jack Pearts ^awhile^, came home & Billy & Jacky Campion was at M^{rs} Hudspeths so I went up & got a Letter from My Uncle Ward, wth. a piece ^of silver,^ they supt at our house but I supt in the Kitching & retired to bed at Nine.

Wednesday the 13th. In the morning I wrote to my Fa^r. & carryed it to the Carriers, & got a halfpenny worth of parcily, came home & walked upon the Key, In the afternoon I took a walk with Rob^t. Potts to cut some rods, came home and retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Thursday the 14th. In the forenoon I went to M^r Swinneys Shop for some leather Waings and we took up some malt for my Masters self I went into the Office, In the afternoon I took a walk Mas^r. Billy, & Lionell Trotter, to the South side of the Water to cut Rods, at night the Woman came to Brew & we retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Friday the 15th. In the morning I carried some Lint oyl was for Jacky Campion to Lumsdale Wirry & I went down to Sheilds to carry a Letter for M^r Pressick, In the afternoon I went to see M^r James, & went to the Post house, In the evening I stood upon the Key to give the Keelmen orders, came home & retired to bed between 9 & 10, & got a great cold

Saturday the 16th. Old Geo. called Jos. to go to the Dyke & I lett him out, at noon I went to Winkhamlee, came home & retired to bed between Nine & Ten.

Sunday the 17th. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, I went to the Post house, Jenny laid

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down & I minded the House, at night old Geo. and self went to see how many of the Keelmen had filled their Cans & I retired to bed at Ten.

Monday the 18th In the morning my Mas^r. Sent me to tell Geo. He wanted to speak to him but he was gone to the Dyke, my Mas^r. Sent me to Carpenter's to look at the Keel then went to M^r Henry Atkinson's for Six palling Boards & to M^r Peackocks for some nails.