MAY 1752

Friday the first; In the morning I got some Sassifrass Tea at Mary Davison then I came into the Office and copy'd five Bills and Notes and carried two of them to Mr Forster the Distiller and went down to Winkhamlee came home and went to the Post house, came home and went to Mr Fetherston's Office wth two Bills one of Eighty Pounds & another of £45 at night Mrs Hudspeth and the two Misses supt at our house for it was Bill's Birthday. I played upon the German Flute and when they went I retired to bed a little after Ten.

Saturday the Second; In the morning I got my Tea at Mary Davison's then went to John's and helped him to make up the Keelmen's Note we along and paid most of them & then John went down to Winkhamlee and I pay'd the rest and carried some bad Brass to Watson's the Barber w^{ch} my Master had got of him and then went up to the Wax knowls and helped Billy, Jn°. Crennon, and Geo. Wardell to get in Hey for Horses drunk Tea at Mrs Hudspeth's, and went to the Sh^d. fi^d. wth. my Master and Billy, Lewis Hick came to us and we play'd at Skittles till darkening then came home and retired to bed at Eleven, but I omited my going with my Master & Billy to speak for a German Flute for Billy at Mr Pryers we went all around the Market with my Mas^r. till he bought the Marketting.

Sunday the Third; In the morning I got my Tea at Mary's and went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, went to the Post house and retired into the Office. I went into Sandgate for Dryden to look after his Keel and retired to bed at 11.

Monday the Fourth; In the morning I went to the Maltlofts wth Jn^o. to take up four Bowls of Malt for Margarett Bone and went up the Key an Erran for 1 Ounce of Nutmegs, after we dined I went as far as the Sandhill and Bought 2 Ounces of Ivory Black and ½ Ounce of G.Dragon to make Liq^d. Black wth and then went to Mary Davison's door & saw Mr W^m. Mathews ^carried to be^ buried. I priked out several Tunes for German¹ in the Office and play'd awhile in Mr Wilkinson's Shop and retired to bed a little after Ten. May, Tuesday the Fifth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee. came home my Mas^r. sent me to pay Mrs Rutherford for her lofts, a half Years Rent, and to pay a whole Years Rent for a Stable to Ra: Sowerby Esq^r. and I went to tell Alexander to come and speak to my Mas^r. and then retired into the Office. In the afternoon I went

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¹ perhaps 'for my German flute'

down to Winkhamlee came home and sat in the house wth. John and Billy then took a walk with Billy upon the Sandhill came home he got me the Flute from his Mamma's I went upon the Key and play'd upon it in Mr Wilkinson's Shop came home and retired to bed a little after Eleven.

Wednesday the Sixth; In the morning I drew out my Acco^t. for my Mo-Father, and went down to the Carpenters, came home and went to see if there was anything from Richm^d. but there was not so I took a walk wth. Ra: Morton towards Elsick and we went to King James Well and got a drink of Water came home and packed up some old Cloath's to send home after dinner I retired into the Office and wrote to my Father and carried the old Cloath's & Letter to the Carrier, then went with Lionel Trotter to call of Billy and we all went up to Mr Pryers and got Billy a German Flute came down and in the evening I went to Mrs Atkinson's Offices and play'd upon the German Flute along with Billy Kent, came home and retired to bed at Eleven.

Thursday the Seventh; I got up early in the morning & got Tea with Jn°. Crenmer and went down to Winkhamlee came home and retired into the Office, my Mas^r. came to me and told me that Jn°. Crenmer & Ann Forster was married so I went downstairs and wish the Bride Joy then I went upon the Key and wished the Bridegroom Joy, Billy dined on Board the Generous John and after dinner I carried my Flute to Mr Wilkinson's & Billy Kent [? played] upon it I went into the Office and mended my Flute and after that I set Dicky Cotesworth up the Broad Chair came home and play'd upon my Flute at home and retired to bed a little before Eleven.

Friday the Eight; In the morning I went down to Winkhamlee and retired into the Office and got my better coat on and wrote in my Journal. Mrs Hudspeth and Misses dined at our house In the afternoon I went to School and went up to the Post house, drunk Tea at Mrs Hudspeth's and went to John Crenmers wth. Billy, came home and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Saturday the Ninth; In the morning I went to Mr Jame's Inn and wish'd him joy ^and went to the Castle^ stairs to receive some money for him from Jn°. Story but he did not give me the money so I carried the Bill back to Mr James, In the afternoon I went into the Office and maid out the Keelmen's Note got 2 Guines change at Mr Forster's and went wth. John to pay the men then I took a walk wth.Billy Kent to his garden we took our Flutes wth. us and played in the house in the garden came home and retired to bed at Eleven.

Sunday the Tenth; In the forenoon I went to all S^{ts}. Church and to the Post house. In the afternoon I went wth. Billy & Lewis Hick to S^t. Nicholas Church for the Charity Sermon was to be preached there the Text was taken out of the 13 Chap^r. of Hebrews, and the 16 Verse, and I drunk with Billy at there house and drunk Tea for none of there folks was at home. In the evening I went took a walk, came home and retired to bed at Ten.

Monday the Eleventh; In the forenoon I went into the Office, and look over a great many of the Tickett Books, ab^t. Mr Tho^s. Water's Acco^t. but cou'd find nothing that signified anything and my Mas^r. gave me a Key and possession of one side of the Desk in the Office In the afternoon I went to Mr Turnbulls. In the evening I went into the Office and took a walk wth. Lewis Hick and Billy into Pilgrim Street, came home and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Tuesday the Twelvth. I got up at four o'clock and let Nancy into the house but went to bed again, then In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee, came home and went down Sandgate to see if I cou'd see Andrew Richardson, but I cou'd not so I came home and retired to bed 'into the' Office and wrote in my Journal. In the evening I went to the Shield field and played at horsy House with Lewis Hick came home and went to Mrs Atkinson's Office and played upon the Flute with Billy Kent, came home and retired to bed a little after Eleven.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; In the morning I went to the Carriers and got a Letter from Sis^r. Dolly went into the Office and wrote another to her In the afternoon I carried my Father's Whip to Ned Game's to be new capt over, and I walk upon the Key, at night I retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Thursday the Fourteenth; I got up at Six o'clock and called of my Master & Billy to go a Fishing. I went up the Key with Billy and John to Hire a Sculler, after Breakfast my Mas^r. Billy, & Lionell went down the water a Fishing I went to Mrs Tindells. In the afternoon I took a walk with Rob^t. Pott s & Billy Tindell to Gateshead fell and drunk Tea at Mrs Grey's Nurses, and went a Shouting we got a Lark, came home and retired to bed at Eleven.

Friday the Fifteenth; In the forenoon I went for Bottle of Hartshorn Drops wth. a Little Salvelatne in it for my Mas^r. then went down to Winkhamlee, came home by S^t. Anthon's got my Dinner and took a walk up the Key came home and retired to bed at Eleven.

Saturday the Sixteenth; In the forenoon Billy called me off the Key to receive a Parcell ^& a Walking Stick^ from Richm^d. by Mr James Waggon, and I went into the Office and wrote in my Journal. When we were at Dinner Jos. Wheatley called and dined at our house, after dinner I went along with Jos. & some more Jn^o Crenmores, ^In the evening^ I went to get him away from Jn^o. Coulson's and Billy & self with some others set him away from Mr Clark's in the High Town came home got my head shaved and retired to bed a little before Eleven.

Sunday the Seventeenth; I went 'to Church both' forenoon and afternoon and went up to the Post house and took a walk wth. one Forster Dauson to the see the Infirmary, we took a walk to the Furth with Billy, came home and walked upon the Key and retir'd to bed a little after Ten.

Monday the Eighteenth; In the forenoon I took a walk with Bobby Potts to Silver Street, my Mas^r. went up street with Mr Railston to see the Cockings, In the afternoon I went down to Winkhamlee came home and retired to the Office and wrote in my Journal and play upon my German Flute, at night I retired to bed at 10.

Tuesday the Nineteenth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and took an Acco^t. of my Mas^{rs}. own fire coal, after dinner I took a walk wth. Ra: Morton round by Newgate cross the Barrass Bridge and so the nighest way to the Shield field and saw my Mas^r. Billy & some more play at horse & house, and the Cockfights, came home my stay at Jn^o. Crenmors wth. several more and stay till one or two o'clock in the morning but I retired to bed a little after Eleven.

Wednesday the Twentieth; In the morning I went down to Winkhamlee came home and went to the Carriers Inn but got nothing from Richmond I wrote a letter to my Father. Lionell dined at our house In the afternoon I cleaned some cages and went to see Andrew Richardson, I walked upon the Key In the evening I went to Mrs Tindells & played upon my German Flute, came home my Master was out, I sat up till Eleven o'clock and then retired to bed.

Thursday the Twenty First; In the morning I took a walk with Ralph Morton upon the Sandhill, there was several ships coming in so I walked upon the Key In the afternoon I carried my Flute to Billy Kents Garden, and I went home for Billy Hudspeth's and we played in the Garden House, came home drunk Tea wth. Billy at his Mamma's it Thundered Lightened and rained very sore all the afternoon, my Mas^r. sent me to Mr

Patices for 2 half pounds of 16d & 12d Tobacco. came home went into the Burnbank and at night I retired to bed after Ten.

Friday the Twenty Second; In the morning I cleaned my Shoes, after Breakfast I took a walk with Billy & Ra: Morton upon the Moor and saw the soldiers reviewed By General Camdbell, after dinner I drew out the April Vend and carried it to Mr Fetherston's Office. I called at the Post house and at Doctor Hallowell's Shop where I saw Dicky Cotesworth and he told me his Bro^r. & Sisters was gone down to Winkhamlee, came home I saw the Man that made Paper cake mix his Paste in the Burnbank came home and sat in the House till Eleven O'clock and my Master did not come in so I retired to bed at ye time.

Saturday the Twenty Third; In the forenoon I took a ride with Billy to Long Benton Pitts and as we came home it Thundered Lightened & rained in so much that we had a great deel to do for to Guide the Horses till we got to Heaton and there we stopt Nigh an hour till it gave over raining then we came home I retired in to my room and got myself shifted for I was wett to skin, this day I have served my Mas^r. as an apprentice two Years & a half. In the afternoon I paid Edw^d. Carne for my Fathers Whip new lapt over, In the evening I went to Mrs Tindells at night I retired to Bed between Eleven and Twelve but was fast ab^t. ½ an hour.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; In the morning I went upon the Key and heard of one Rob^t. Parker a Cooper being run in the Neck quite into his heart wth. a knife done by a Soldier it was done at Mr Pickney's sign of the Black Bull in the Bigg Margett, I went into my Room and got on My Cloaths for Church, I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon and went up to the Post house, In the evening I took a walk wth. Jn^o. Crenmor, Jn^o. Hebden, Jn^o. Simmerell W^m. Henderson & Tho^s. Wilkinson Cheesmonger, ab^t. by the Burn, came home and retired to bed before Eleven.

Monday the Twenty Fifth. I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I retired into the Office went upon the Key, retired into the Office again and played upon my Flute, then I took a walk with Tho^s. Newton & Rob^t. Potts by the Towns Walls, and so to Elsick came home and retired to bed a little after Eleven. Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee with Billy Airey, came home by S^t. Anthon's and bathed in the River with Rob^t. Potts, came home Mr Railston & Capⁿ. Clifton Dined at our house I went up to the Post house and came home retired into the Office & wrote in my Journal, and coppied part of a

Letter to Sister Hannah then I took a walk to the Firth, and saw some Gentlemen Boul came home and found Mr John Gallilee at our house & after he had got his Supper he gave on his Ship for Hutton Coals, and then went down I retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; I went down to Winkhamlee and saw young Miss Cotesworth there, came home but my Master was gone to dine on board the Sukey & Sally of Lynn Capⁿ. John Clifton, so I went to the Pack horse but there was nothing from Richmond so I retired into the Office and wrote a Letter to Sister Hannah. In the afternoon I went into the Office and finished my Letter, and played upon my Flute, then I carried the Letter and my Fathers Whip to the Carriers. In the evening I took a walk with Rob^t. Potts & Tho^s. Newton upon the Moor came home got my Supper ab^t. Nine o'clock my Master & Billy came home I carried their Horses to the Stables came down my Mas^r. smoaked a pipe & I retired to bed a little after Eleven.

Thursday the Twenty Eight; In the morning I went upon the Key & saw a fight between 2 or 3 women against one man, went into my room & got my clean Shirt on and rode down to Winkhamlee upon my Mas^{rs}. Mair and from thence ^to Shields & went ^ on board Mr Gallon, the Mary & Jane to desire he would come up and Clear today for Friday and Saturday were two Holidays he came up with me as far as the Waggon Way and then I rode down to Winkhamlee, rode directly home again, In the evening I went to the Stables with Billy to tell Geo. Wardell's lad to go down to Shields and then I fetched Billy's Galloway down for Capⁿ. Clifton to ride on after I took a walk with Billy and some more to Elsick and got every one ½ of New Milk came home and retired to bed a little after Eleven.

Friday the Twenty Ninth; In the morning my Mas^r. sent me to the Exeice Office to take out a 'Brandy' Licence for Mr Railston of Jarrah Key but the Collector was not come to sign it so I came home and went down to Winkhamlee and my Mas^r. sent me to the Exeice Office for the Licence again I got it and came down with Billy Henderson and went 'to the Shield field wth. Jn^o. Crenmor & saw Mas^r. there then was some Cockfights' and took a walk and some more to the Quarry House, & got some Whey came home And retired to bed a little after Eleven, but thought I heard a saw or a file go so I got up and called of my Mas^r. but we cou'd see nothing, so I went to bed again. Saturday the Thirtieth; In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I came home and stay'd in the House and expected my Mas^r. to come from Mr Railston in

the High Town, ab^t. 7 o'clock he came and gave us the money to pay the Keelmen, we got some Brass and went along to the Can house and payed them, came home and Petro the Man that makes Nets and all sorts of sweatmeats was at our house, he stay'd and supp'd wth. my Mas^r. my Mas^r. was angry with me for not ordering all the Keels down to Mr Railston's Ship, I locked the door and retir'd to bed a little before Eleven.

Sunday the Thirty First; I went to the Church both forenoon and afternoon In the evening I took a walk to Elsick and got some Whey, came home walked upon the Key, at night I retired to bed before Eleven.

JUNE 1752

Monday the First; In the forenoon I copyed two Bills over, and drew out the Acco^t. ^of Coals^ for the Office, In the afternoon I went down to Winkhamlee, Billy brought me a Message from my Master, so I got my Keel of and wrote home behind Billy upon my Master's Mair. Mr Waddell was at our house. In the evening I took a walk with Billy Henderson into the Fields and took my Flute with me, then came home, & retired to bed at Eleven.

Tuesday the Second; In the forenoon I went into the Office and copyed over the monthly Vend for the Office and pricked out some Tunes at dinner there was a Mas^r. of a Ship came to my Mas^r. to agree ab^t. a loading of Coals, but I went down to Winkhamlee came home retired into the Office and look over my Monthly Acco^t. to send to my Father and played upon my Flute. That night my Master sent me to all the Keelmen's Houses to see if any of them was at home^ to go to Winkhamlee^ for John was not come from James Watson's Funeral but I saw John before I came in, and then retired to bed at Eleven. Wednesday the Third; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, came home took a walk with Ra: Morton to the Stables, and then he went with me to Mr Fetherston's Office and we walked ab^t. the Firth, I called at the Carriers as I came down but got nothing from Richmond then I went into the Office and coppyed over a Letter to my Sister Hannah, Mr Mathew Drincall dined at our house, after dinner I wrote the Letter and inclosed my Monthly Acco^t. to my Father, and carried to the Pack Horse but cou'd not find the Carrier, then I went upon the Bridge but cou'd not find him there then I found him at the Pack horse I drunk tea with Billy Hudspeth & Jacky Hebdon at Mrs

Hudspeth's and took a ride with them as far as the Mayor's 'New' Pitt at Byker we called at Mr Nailers at Byker. came home and played upon my Flute at night my Master sent me to tell John to let all the Keels take tides but one and to go and load a Chal^r. of Faf^d. Coals for Mr Drincall and retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve. Thursday the Fourth; In the forenoon I went up to the Stamp Office for two Indenters for Mr Drincall and filled them up with another in the Cabine, and told some Brass on board of his Sloop at the Key and took out the bad halfpenny's after dinner I carried them to Mr Vicars and he went along with me but we cou'd not find him so we came down the Key and Mr Drincall was very ill 'in the Ague' so my Master went up with him to the Doctors. and I went up the Key again but cou'd not find Mr Vicars, and then I could [take] a walk up to Elsick Moor Dicks with Jos. Sheed and some more came home and retired into the Office and wrote on my Journall, at night I retired to bed at Eleven. Friday the Fifth; In the forenoon I walked upon the Key In the afternoon I went up the Key to see Mr Vicars but cou'd not find him so I went to the Post House and got a Letter from Cousin Jos. S.Coats came home and told my Master there was no Letters for him, and then I found Mr Vicars, and went up to his house and got Brass for the Bad and then saw Mr James, and came into the Sandhill and saw him buy some Potting Potts for Salmon, came home and retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve. Saturday the Sixth; In the forenoon I wrote a Letter to My Mother and carried to Mr James but he was gone up to Mr Bells in Pilgrom Street, so I went to him and gave him the Letter & came home In the afternoon I retired into the Office and drew out the Keelmens Note, I drunk Tea at Mrs Hudspeth's and took a walk wth. Billy to the Firth. came home and played upon my Flute, and retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve. Sunday the Seventh; I went to ^All S^{ts}. Church both in the forenoon, and In the afternoon I went to S^t. Andrew's Church wth. Billy and heard a good Sermon and went up to the Post house, then I took a walk with Tho^s. Newton and Rob^t. Potts, came home I stayed upon the Key a piece and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven. Monday the Eight; In the forenoon I went into the Office wth. My Master and he gave me some Reckonings to coppy over, but the Ink was bad so I went to Peggy Bells and got a Jill of Ink and coppyed over till I was called down to dinner after dinner I went into the Office and finished the Reckonings, then I went to Mr Turnbull's, and stayed till five o'clock and then took a walk and set Billy up to the Play, and as I was returning I met Thomas Wilkinson & Rob^t. Potts and then I took a walk them down Pandon Deen, and

got home between Eight & Nine and played upon my Flute my Master was out & did not come in till nigh Twelve o'Clock wⁿ. I retired to bed.

Tuesday the Ninth; I got up early and went down to Winkhamlee. came home and went to the Maltlofts wth. John to take up 6 Bowles of Malt for John Crenmor, Mr Raiston dined at our house, and after dinner I went into the Office and wrote in my Journall, and played upon my German Flute, and ruled this Book quite to the end I went upon the Key then came in and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the Tenth; In the forenoon I went to the Carriers and got a Parcell wth. a Letter from my Father another from my Mother and another from my Sister Hannah I retired into the Office and was very sorrowfull but wrote a Letter to my Mother, after dinner I carried it to the Carrier, and went to School after that I red in History of the Trojan War, and cleaned my Shoes, then I retired into the Office and played my Flute and wrote in this Book or Journal, after that I went upon the Key and stayed there till ab^t. Nine o'clock came in and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Thursday the Eleventh; I went to School both forenoon and afternoon 'and went down to Winkhamlee', at night I retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Friday the Twelvth; I went to School "both forenoon and afternoon I took a walk with Lewis Hick to the Shield Field, came home and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven. Saturday the Thirteenth; In the morning I got a Letter from Sister Dolly with some verses made by James Gateley inclosed, In the forenoon I drew out the Keelmen's Account Mr Railston dined at our house, after dinner Billy and self went to the Can house and paid the Keelmen and took a ride upon the Town Moor, came home and stayed upon the Key came in and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Sunday the Fourteenth; In the morning Billy and self rode down to Jarrah Key to see Mr Railston, and went to Jarrah Church there was one William's his Wife and Child and one Hart. with his two Sons dined with us at Mr Railstons after dinner Mr Railston Billy and Self took a walk ^went^ in got Tea and Mr John Coal wth. one Henry Dixon a Barber in Shields, Mr Railston Billy & self took and saw a Bird Nest can—went in got supper and Billy & self set forward to Newcastle got home at Nine o'clock my Mas^r. smoaked a Pipe and I retired to bed at Ten.

Monday the Fifteenth; I went to School both forenoon and afternoon Mr Benjamen Ward. Mr Railston and Mr Waddel dined at our house, after school I went into the Office and wrote in my Journal, beside reading the Newspaper over, In the evening I

took a walk wth. Billy Henderson and played upon my Flute and then ^sat down and ^he read in the Fields, came home and retired to bed Nigh Eleven.

Tuesday the Sixteenth; In the forenoon I went into the Office and coppyed over a Bill, and my Master ordered me to stay upon the Key. In the afternoon I went down to Winkhamlee came home in the evening and pricked two tunes out of one of Thos. Wilkinson's Books I played upon my Flute and sat up till my Master came in and then retired to bed a little after Eleven.

Wednesday the Seventeenth; In the forenoon I went to Mr . Fetherston's Office wth. some money and called at the Carriers as I came home and got a Letter from Sister Hannah, I retired into the Office and wrote a Letter to Sis^r. Dolly, after dinner I wrote one to Sister Hannah, and carried them to the Carrier and went upon the Bridge and got some Wafers after that I lent Billy Kent my German Flute and Mr Wilkinson's played upon the Bass Viol. Lionell Trotter played upon the small Viol, and Billy Kent upon the Flute w^{ch}. was very Harmonious. In the evening I took ^a walk^ to the Infirmary and got a piece of slate for a wet stone my Mas^r. Billy, and Lionel Trotter was at the Play so I stay'd till they came in ^and then^ retired to bed Nigh Twelve.

Thursday the Eighteenth; In the forenoon I took a walk down to Mrs Russells in the Swirrell and carried a Bottle that I got ^of her Son^ and I called at John Pearts Shop and I [?] a strap to set knifes upon, after dinner I went to School and in the evening I went with with Tho^s. Newton and got a Larks Nest with four young ones, and it rain sore as we came home, then my Mas^r. sent me to Mr Wilkinson's to see if I cou'd get Lodgings for M. John Jefferson & his Wife of Staiths for a fortnight, I came down and my Master sent me up again to know w^t. was to be a Week, and I brought him word that it was a Guinea a Week for a Room to Lodge in, but they never took anybody that eated, I stay'd till my Master smoaked a Pipe and then retired to bed Nigh Eleven.

Friday the Nineteenth; I went to School both forenoon and afternoon and after dinner Billy went down to Shields to see Mr & Mrs Jefferson of Staiths, In the evening I took a walk into the High Town and heard the Tall Man play upon the French Horn, came home ^&^ I went to Mr Forsters for a drink of water and wou'd have me sit down and we talked abo^t. Richmond at night Billy came home and told me that Mr & Mrs Jefferson was well so I sat up till my Master got his Supper and smoaked his Pipe and then retired ^to bed^ Nigh Twelve.

Saturday the Twentieth; In the forenoon I went into the Office and made out the Keelmen's Note and my Mas^r. gave me three Guineas to get changed and then gave me the Keelmen's full money, I sought for John and paid the men, after dinner I went up to the Stables and helped to get in the hay for my Mas^r. Mair, after that I played upon my Flute and Billy went with me to see the Sussex Boy, he was 7 Foot and two Inches high, he marked the Length of his hand and finger upon my hand, the former was 10 Inches and the Latter 3 came home and retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Sunday the Twenty First; In the morning my Master sent me to tell Doctor Stoddart to come and him and I went to All S^{ts}. Church and after dinner I took a walk wth. Billy Henderson to Newgate came ^down as far as S^t. Nicholas Church and heard a Sermon there after service was over went up to the Post house I went down to tell my Mas^r. there was no Letters and he sent me to tell Billy that nobody was to have the Mair but George Wardell, then I took a walk wth. Billy & John Simmerell to the Infirmary but Billy & self still continued on till we came to Elsick and then we got some new Milk came home and I retired to bed very nigh Eleven.

Monday the Twenty Second; In the morning my Mas^r. sent me into the Office to coppy a Bill and to old Mr Akenhead to see if he wou'd want a Bill of about £18-0-0 and I went to Mr Greaves' wth. my Watch for she wou'd not go, I went into the house and saw Mr John Jefferson of Staiths Captain Clifton dined at our house, after Mrs Hudspeth had done dinner I went to see my Cousin, that is Mr Jeffersons Wife, and stayed there till Mr Jefferson & Billy wanted the Horses to go upon the Moor to the Horse Course, my Master was not quite well. I stay'd upon the Key till the evening, and then went into the High Town and saw the Gentlemen come from the .Races, I came down and Billy told me that he had seen Mr Allen of Richmond, and my Master and Billy went to Sup at Mrs Hudspeths but I retired to bed ^Nigh^ Ten.

Tuesday the Twenty Third; In the morning I took a walk into the High Town to see Mr Allen but cou'd not find him and I went into Gateshead but cou'd not find him there neither so I came home and got my Breakfast and went wth. Mr Jefferson and Billy into the high Town to help them to seek a horse for Mr Jefferson then I went to the Town's Chamber and saw several Horses Booked for this day and Thursday I went down the Key and when I was standing there I saw Mr Allen coming down the Key so I went and met him we went to our house and both dined there with Mrs Hudspeth and her two daughters & Mr & Mrs Jefferson after dinner I fetched my Flute and Mr Allen played

and I got a Letter from my Father, after dinner Mr Allen went away and I asked him for his horse w^{ch}. he lent me then Billy and self went away to the Races and my Mas^r. ^& Mr Jefferson[^] followed us after the first Heat my Master & Mr Jefferson went into Mr Charlton's Tent and there we got some Boyled Beef and Tounge then Billy and me went and saw the other two Heats between one Seby the Winner and one Scot two four year olds nigh Sixteen hands each we came home and I carried Mr Allen's Mare to Mr Parker's came home and got my Supper in the Kitchin, but all the People suped in the Parlour that did at Noon save Mr Allen, I went to Mrs Hudspeths while they were at our house and bore Ra: company came in and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven. Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; I got up early in the morning and wrote in my Journal beside other things I did in the Office. I went to the Carrier and got a Parcel for Mr Allen I carried it up directly I came down street and stayed a while then went up street \but cou'd not\ see him dine. I left a Note in his Room Window at Parkers the Turk's Head I dined at Mrs Hudspeths but Mr & Mrs Jefferson was gone out to dine at Mr Cooper after dinner I walked upon the Key went to Mrs Hudspeth's and drunk Tea there, Mr Jefferson sent Billy & me up to the Play house to speak four seats in the Side Box We went down again, I dresed myself and then Mr & Mrs Jefferson & two Miss Hudspeth to the Play with Billy & self but we went upon the Stage I spoke to Mr Allen there, we saw the Play called the Conscious Lovers, and Damon & Philida the Enterment Billy & me came home behind the Coatch that Mr Jefferson & rest was in. Mr Tunstall was at our house so we sat a while and retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve. Thursday the Twenty Fifth; In the morning I coppyed some Reckoning into the Book and up street with Billy to ask him to come and dine and stayed upon the Key till our dinner was ready and then went in Mr Tunstall and Sir Ra: Milbanks Stewart dined at our house Mr Allen was late of coming to dine at Mrs Hudspeth so I went up street with an intent to see him but I cou'd not find him I came down and Billy got me into there house and we got strawberries, after dinner Mr Allen played upon the Flute and I went to Miss Kents Shop for 'some' Pairs of Gloves to look at he bought and I carried the rest back we got Tea and went upon the Moor wth. Billy to see the Horses run. there was eight 'started' but three distined the first heat and Mr Carr drew his horse so there was four started the next heat. Mr Bowes got the first and second heat and Mr Branderling the stakes, we went into Rob^t. Hills. Sons. and got some meat. Mr Railston and a

relation of his was along with us we came home my Master smoaked his pipe and then retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Friday the Twenty Sixth; I got up early in the morning and wrote in my Journal and In the morning I went to ask Mr Allen for the Galloway but cou'd not see him I came home Mr & Mrs Jefferson and the Ladies dined at our house after dinner Billy and self went upon the Moor and my Mas^r. wth. Mr Jefferson took us in to W^m. Bulmans Tent, we came home and ^called at^ Mr Parkers and stayed a good at Mr Parkers with Mr Allen then came home and retired to bed Nigh Eleven.

Saturday the Twenty seventh; I got before Six o'clock and went to see Mr Allen go away and I rode upon his horse to the Bridge and I came home and took a walk to the Garden wth. Ra: Morton, after dinner I went to Elsick and spoke for a Knead Cake for Mr & Mrs Jefferson and the Ladies and Ra: Morton took a walk wth. me and we met them as they were going so I turn back and went with them we drunk Tea there I brought a Pint of Cream home I got supper and retired to bed a 'little after Ten.'

Sunday the Twenty Eight; I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon we dined at Mrs Hudspeths. after Prayers I took a walk wth. Billy to Henry Marchall's Garden and got a Pint of strawberries came home and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven. Monday the Twenty Ninth; In the morning Mr Jefferson & Billy went to Bishop Auckland and Mr & Mrs Galilee wth. thier son 'John' came to our House they wth. The Ladies dined at our house. In the afternoon I took a walk wth. The little lad upon the Key I drunk Tea at Mrs Hudspeths after that I took a walk to the Garden and got some Posys came home got Supper Jacky laid with me and we retired to bed between Nine and Ten. Tuesday the Thirtyeth; In the morning I went with Jacky Galilee and got some Posys Mr Galilee his Wife His Son and Mr Waddell after 'dinner' I went up to the Posthouse came down and found Mr Jefferson & Billy at our house Mr & Mrs Galilee and thier son went down to Shields. In the evening I took a walk to the Shield field and retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

JULY 1752

Wednesday the First; In the morning I drew out the monthly Vend for the Office and carrie it up and ask at the Carriers for something from Richmond but there was nothing so I came home & wrote a Letter to Mr Allen and put up his Cloths with some of my

own and carried them to the Carriers. Mr & Mrs Jefferson and the Ladies dined at our House after dinner I played a Game of Checkers with Billy and my Master sent me for a pair of Cards so Mr Jefferson made me play in his stead we drunk Tea and played till Nigh Eight o'Clock then we all went to Mrs Hudspeths and supt came home and retired to bed after Eleven.

Thursday the Second; I went to school both forenoon and afternoon and Billy went with me to speak for a pair of Breaches for me and I bought a Quire of Paper at old Mr Akenheads, came home Mr Railston dined at our house In the evening I retired into the Office and played upon my Flute and wrote in my Journall. I got up in the morning before Six o'Clock and wrote to my Uncle Ward and Mr & Mrs Jefferson went away in a Post Chaise for Yarm. at night I played upon my Flute we had a Scalding of Pease and Billy & me played at Checkers, and I retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve. Friday the Third; In the morning I took a walk with Ra: Morton to Sandefer [?] stone well and got a drink of water came home and went to school after dinner I took a walk with Ra: Morton towards Elsick and to King James well we called at the Post house, came home by Mr James Lodgings but come to Town so I went to school In the evening I went to Mr James and stayed with him ab^t. an hour came home and went into the Office were I pricked out some Tunes. 'I cleaned all my shoes' and I retired to bed a little after Eleven.

Saturday the Fourth; In morning I went bid Mr James farewell and got Five ^Guineas^ changed for my Mas^r. after dinner I went to Mr Fosters and got some more silver and brass then went to the Can house and paid the Keelmen and Billy went wth. us. then I retired into the Office wrote in my Journall copied over my Monthly Acco^t. to my Father and played upon my Flute came down stairs and Billy & me played at Checkers and I retired to bed a little after Ten.

Sunday the Fifth; I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon after dinner I went up to the Post house and got a Letter for Mr Jn°. Jefferson but as he was gone my Mas^r. inclosed it and sent it back In the evening Ra: Morton & self went to Jn°. Crenmors and got some Pickled herron, after that us two with Billy took a walk wth. Billy came home and retired to bed a little after Ten.

Monday the Sixth; I got up early and went down to Winkhamlee were I washed my feet came home and after dinner Billy and self went for some Corks [?] and sugar and Rasons and helped to Bottle 12 Douzen Bottles of strong and small Beer. we got Tea at

our house then we took a walk into the fields wth. the Lark net but cou'd not see any so we came home got our suppers, played a game at Checkers my Master took a walk out, so we went out and stayed a while as 'soon as' my Master came in I retired to bed a little after Eleven.

Tuesday the Seventh. I got up early in the morning wrote in my Journal and went down to Winkhamlee after dinner I carried a Coat to W^m. Shepherds to mend and went to School then I went to the above Taylors, and got my coat then Billy & self went to Mr Swinhoe's upon the Bridge to see if my Breaches was done but they were not so we came home played at Checkers and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the Eighth; I got pretty early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee it rained very fast I went & came home I went to the Carriers and got a Letter from Sister Hannah and went to Swinhoes and paid him for my Breaches after dinner I retired into the Office and wrote in answer to the above Letter and played upon my Flute. I carried it to the Carriers and ^gave^ W^m. Battison a Pint of Beer. then I went to Mrs Tindells and played upon my Flute then I went wth. ^Billy^ Tindell to speak for a wigg and I went into david Shields yard and saw Lionell Trotter and some more play at horse shoes then came Billy & self played at Checkers till my Master smoaked his pipe and then retired to bed a little before Eleven.

July Thursday the Ninth; In the morning I carried a Shirt to wash to Betty Dixon at the high end of Pilgrom Street, and went to School, then I went to Mrs Tindells, after dinner I retir'd into the Office and wrote a Letter to my Brother against tomorrow then I went over the water with Henry Holt and we went aNetting for Larks then Jacky Cryster & Jacky Johnson came to us and we took a walk to see some People Bath, came home and retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Friday the Tenth; I walked upon the Key 'went down to Winkhamlee' In the afternoon I went to School came home and retired into the Office I carried my 'Brother's' Letter to the Post Office and a good while at Doctor Hallowels Shop came home and Billy and self played in our yard at night we played at Checkers and retired to bed at Twelve. Saturday the Eleventh; In the forenoon Billy and self played at Cherry stones in the house and I went up the Key to buy a Viol Bottle, after dinner Billy & me went into the Office and stayed a good while we took a walk to the Sandhill and stopped a while & I bought Billy some Goose Berries. I drunk Tea at Mrs Hudspeth's and then we went out with my Master a Lark Netting toward the Town Moor edge but got none my Master

called at a Garden we walked about the Garden and my Master bought us some Goose Berries. we came home I took a walk with Dickey Cotesworth to sandgate and set him to the head of the Manor Chair came down and retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Sunday the Twelvth; When I upon the Key I heard of one Rob^t. Walker a Pitman and Fidler being murdered by one John Brown a Keelman and I went up to Betty Dixons for a Shirt and I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon and drunk Tea wth. Billy, Ra: Simpson and Jos. Peacock at Mrs Hudspeth's for they were gone a Visiting then I went up to the Post Office with a Letter for Mr Ralph Tunstall at Darlington I stayed upon the Key apiece then came in and retired to bed at Ten.

Monday the Thirteenth; In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee came home and the price of Tanfield Coals was lowered 2s. 6d. per Chalder my Master sent me up the Key to see if Waddels Wyrry was gone and I gave my Cloths out to Wash and went to Mr Surtees Shop to get sope and other things my Master sent John down to Shields and I supt with Mr Deighton in Gateshead came home my Mas^r. was not in the house 'so I retired' to bed a little after Eleven.

Tuesday the Fourteenth; In the morning I went to Mr Deighton's and breakfasted came home and went down to Winkhamlee after I came home Billy, Lewis Hick and self went a Larking with the Net and got five came home and retired to bed a little after Eleven. Wednesday the Fifteenth; In the morning I went over to Gateshead and breakfasted with Mr. Deighton, he wanted some Bills or Notes for Cash so I sought for some and got one Note from Mrs Hudspeth for £90 on Chr. Masterman and Company I bid him farewell went to the Carriers and got a Letter & parcell from Richmond carried the money to Mrs Hudspeth and then went down to the Staith came home and went out with a Net with Billy, Lewis Hick Henry Vonholt ^&^ Lionell Trotter we got five but Lewis Hick and Vonholt killed Three before we got home, I retired to bed at Eleven.

Thursday the Sixteenth; In the forenoon I went to School and retired into the Office after dinner I went to call of Ra: Simpson but it rained very sore so I went into the Office and stayed till it was fair, then we went down to Winkhamlee it rained very hard most of the afternoon In the evening it was fair so we came home my Master went out but I retired exactly at Eleven.

Friday the Seventeenth; In the morning my Master sent me to tell Geo. Wardell 'with a Bridell' and to tell him to clean it put it upon the Mair and carry the Horses to the other

end of the Bridge came down my Master & Billy set forward to Durham Races I got my brea^k^fast and retired into the Office and stayed there all the forenoon In the afternoon I went down to Winkhamlee came home and stayed upon the Key then I went to ^Mr Swinhoes^ with my Breaches I got of him and stayed in our house till my Master came home and then retired to bed at Eleven.

Saturday the Eighteenth; I wrote to my Sister Rachel at Mr Carr's S^t. Helen Auckland and carried it to the Bird and Bush Pilgrom Street from thence I went to Mr Swinhoes and stayed a Piece then came home and got my dinner, then I went up to the Stables with Billy for he was going down to the Staith, I heard the unwelcome News of Rich^d. Liddell having lost his Ship at Greenland with Three large whales in I retired into the house and read in the Magazine and then went into the Office In the evening I took a walk with Billy & Tho^s. Newton upon the Moor to catch Larks but cou'd get none there so we came 'home' by the fogg fields and got five after we got home I put them into a cage and gave them some meat I got myself some hot Milk & Water and retired to bed Nigh Eleven.

Sunday the Nineteenth; In the morning I took a walk to the Shield field and got 2 Sodds for the Larks, I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon and went up to the 'Post' Office came home and retired into the Office. In the evening I took a walk with Billy & John to the Garden at West Gate for some Pease to Scald but they had none so we got some Gooseberries after we came home my Master sent John & self to Harry Marshalls for some Pease but he had none but Rounsebells, after we came home my Master sent me-us to the same place to get what they had came home got my Supper and retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Monday the Twentieth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee after I came home I went to Mr Swinhoes for my Breaches but they were not done after dinner I went to School and to Mr Swinhoes again and still not done then I came home gave the Larks some meat and retired into the Office my Master and Billy went to the Play I read in the Magazine for the month of June and went into Mrs Hudspeth's till they came home and then retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Tuesday the Twenty First; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and retired into the Office I went to School both forenoon and afternoon In the evening my Master sent me to get some Large Worms to fish with came home and put them upon a Piece of String and put them in the Eel Caches and John and me carried

them down to Mr Charlton's Landing were got a boat my Master & Billy came so we set of from the Shore we stayed there & up the Bourn, above an hour but cached no more than one I came home and retired 'to bed between Ten and Eleven', but my Master Billy and John stayed to drink at Mr Charltons.

Wednesday the Twenty Second; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee came home and went to the Carriers to see if there was any thing from Richmond but there was not so I wrote a Letter to Sister Hannah and carried it to the Pack horse. In the afternoon I went to School ^and went to the high Carne with the Eel Cages but got none^ In the evening I took a walk with Billy with a Lark Nett but we cou'd get none so we came home and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Thursday the Twenty Third; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee came home and went to School both forenoon and afternoon in the evening I took a walk 'upon the Moor' with Billy & Jacky French with the Nett we one and it came on a rain so we came home and went to see a Slight a Hand Man at the sign of the Chesher Cheese on the Key Side came home and retired to bed at Ten.

Friday the Twenty Fourth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee came home by S^t. Anthons and got some Gooseberries In the afternoon I went to the Post house and stayed upon the Key for there was several ships sending up In the evening my Master gave me leave to take a ride with Billy to the other side of the Moor wth. the Nett but cou'd not get a place to sett the Galloway in, so we were obliged to come home Billy walked by the fields and I carried the Galloway home and went to him again but got none we stayed upon the Key a while then went home and retired to bed nigh Ten.

Saturday the Twenty Fifth; In the morning I rode down to Winkhamlee behind Billy it rained very fast and the Waggons went but two Gates so we came home again, my Master sent me to the Custom House to take out an entry of Sufference for Mr John Rickinson Master of the Success of Whitby for 88 Cha^{s3}. the first ever she made after dinner I went with Billy to old Mr Akenheads Shop for a Psalm Book with the Tunes pricked to all the Psalms but they had only an old fashoned one so I brought it for Tho^s. Wilkinson to look but it would not do so I carried it back and bought one Hundred of Quills of a lad for my Master I gave the lad 4^d. for the Hundred then I sorted the Quills and told my Master that Israel Blackburn was come up and my Master sent me to the

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² i.e. own

³ i.e. cauldrons (of coal)

Peacock to tell him to come to him and I retired into the Office my Master called me down and sent me to Mr Charlton's to see if he wanted any Spruss Deels but he wanted none so I came home told my Master and went for ½ Dozen of Candles then went to Jn°. & Geo. to help them to bring the Eell Cages home they cached 3 small Eells and a Flux I helped to sheel some pease and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth; I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon I took a walk with Billy & Lewis Hick to the Garden and went to the Post Office with Ra: Morton and retired into the Office I went down Stairs and my Master bid me Read a Sermon to him which was one of Clarks Sermons I stayed in the House all the evening and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Monday the Twenty Seventh; In the morning Billy came and called ^me up^ for Mr Galilee was come I went for John and went up to Newgate to speak to Mr Denton ab¹. some Calks that Mr Galilee had in, In the forenoon I took a walk with Billy to the Sand hills and John Allen called us up to the Merch¹s. Court and we he wou'd have us to drink a Glass of French Wine so we came home and dined after dinner I sought at great many houses and found him coming out of the Peacock w¹h. Mr Railston then I took w¹h .my Master Turnbull to see the High Sherriff for the County go out to meet the Judges in their Rode from Durham we got into a house at the high end of Gateshead and there stay'd till the all the company was gone then we came home and I walked upon the Key till the Judges ^was nigh coming^ in and then I went to old Mr Akenheads Shop with Billy I went to Mr Partices Shop for ½ Pound of Tobacco and I saw the Judges with the High Sheriff (W¹m. Fenwick Esq. being then Sherriff) go up the Side then came home and retired into the Office, In the evening my Master gave me leave to go to the Show Billy and me went when we came home we went to his Mamma's came home helped to strip Curn Berries & retired to bed at Eleven.

Tuesday the Twenty Eighth; In the morning my Master sent me up to Mr W^m. Allens with a Bill of £50 on him payable to Mr Cha^s. Allen I got the money and came down In the forenoon I walked upon the Key and went to the Court to speak to my Master got a piece of a mutton chop and some Potatoes and went down to Winkhamlee after I came home I copyed two Bills into the Bill Book and took a walk out with Billy & Bobby Potts wth. the Lark Nett, and got one, came home Billy & me played before Mrs Hudspeth door & retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth; In the morning I went to see if there was any thing from Richmond but there was not so I came upon the Key and went to the meeting with Harry Airey and then I went down to Winkhamlee In the evening I went to Mr Wilkinson's Shop with Mr John Hunting. Com^r. of the John of London for he wanted some money of him that night John went down to Hawden Panns to see if Mr Newton was come to Jarrow Key he came to our house between Ten and Eleven and 'as soon' as he went away I retir'd to bed before Eleven.

Thursday the Thirtieth; In the morning-forenoon I went to the Town Court and saw Owen MacDonald Tryed and also sentenced to be hanged on Saturday first for the murder of Rob^t. Parker Cooper on the Twenty Third or Fourth of May 1752. Mr Galilee dined at our house and I went down to Winkhamlee came home and my Master ordered me to Coppy two Bills (which he gave me) into the Bill Book and I retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Friday the Thirty First; Ra: Morton called of me between four & five and we went down to Winkhamlee. In the forenoon I walked upon the Key Mr Rickinson & Mr Newton dined at our house In the afternoon Billy & self ^watched^ the Eell Cages till George got his din^n^er and then we walked upon the Key In the evening I went to Mr James Inn and saw a great deal of Silver Plate which was made a present of to the Lord Cranston at Craiton near Berwick ^by his Father in Law^ came home and took a walk with Billy and some more to Gateshead to see the Shoe Fair, came home and retired to bed at Ten.

AUGUST 1752

Saturday the First; Geo. called of me before three o'clock and I went down to Winkhamlee, the man that was condemned was not hanged today. In the forenoon I copyed over all the Ships Loadings into the Ticket Book and drew out the Keelmen's Acco^t. after din^n^er we went to the Canhouse and paid the Men, then I took a walk with Rob^t. Potts & our John upon the Cow Hill we stayed there awhile and saw my Master & Billy Jn°. & Rob^t. called as we came home but we came away & I retired to bed ^between^ Ten & Eleven.

Sunday the Second; I got on my Clothes, and wrote since Wednesday in my Journal. I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon. In the evening I drunk Tea with Billy & Rob^t. Potts at Mrs Hudspeths then we all went up to the Post Office and called at S^t.

Nicholas Church where we heard part of Mr Docorys Sermon which he was preaching before the Judges I saw Mr Jn°. Close of Richmond but did not speak to him came home and I took a walk with Ra: Morton & Mr Davison Taylor, to Henry Marshalls Garden then we came home I got my supper and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven. Monday the Third; I got up at five o'Clock and went down to Winkhamlee came home and retired into the Office. In the forenoon and afternoon I went to Horse Fair "but cou'd not meet with any Country Men I went to the Garden with Billy then came home and retired to bed at Eleven, but before that I went to Jn°. & Geo. in the Burn to get some Sparrs together that was scatered ab¹. the Burn, we stayed there till between Nine & Ten. Tuesday the Fourth; I got at-up before Six o'Clock and went down to Winkhamlee, came home my master sent me into to the Office to copy over some of Mrs Hudspeths Acco¹. between Themselfs after dinner I retired into the Office and did the same as before, made out the Acco¹. for the Office, carried it up w¹h . £215.0.0. in Bills at night ^and got a Let¹. from my Bro¹.^ at night I retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the Fifth; I got up before Six and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and got two Letters from Sis^r. Han^h. one by Mrs Wade of Richmond & the other by the Carrier I went to speak to Mrs Wade then I coppied a Letter to Sis^r. Han^r. after dinner I went into the Office with my Master and made out an Acco^t. wherein Mrs Hudspeth was debtor £4.14^s 8^d. then I wrote the letter the above Letter to my Sis^r. and carried it to the Carriers, then I cleaned my shoes and took a walk to the Garden came home and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Thursday the Sixth; I got 'up' between Five and Six and went down to Winkhamlee came home and walked upon the Key, after dinner I went to School and retired into the Office, in the evening I took a walk with Billy and some more up the Sands and Bathed came home and retired to bed a little after Ten.

Friday the Seventh; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee and I went over the Water with Ra: Norton and went on board of Capⁿ Cushon lying at Hebron Key and we breakfasted with Coffee on bo^a^rd his Ship came over to the Staith again and I Bathed, In the afternoon I went up to the Post Office and stayed upon the Key till the evening and then I took a walk to the Garden, came home by the Shield field and saw Mrs & Miss Nancy Hudspeth walking, as soon as my master came from Mr Surtees the merch^{ts}. funeral, I retired to bed a little after Ten.

MondaSaturday the Eighth; In the morning I went down to Winkhamlee and Bathed after dinner I went into the Office and made out the Keelmen's Note but Jn^o. Paid them. In the evening I took a walk with Ra: Norton, Steⁿ. Haxton & Jos. Peacock to Henry Marshall's Garden, and from there through the Shield field and the Leases, and came home through the flesh Markett, I went into Steⁿ. Grey's wth. Rob^t. Potts & two more and stay'd there a while, my Mas^r. came in at eleven o'clock, & I retired to bed directly. Sunday the Ninth; I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, In the evening I took a walk wth. Billy Henderson to Henry Marshall's Garden, came home and I walked upon the Key a while then came home and retired to bed between Ten and 11. Monday the Tenth; In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee and Bathed there, In the evening I retired into the Office and wrote a Letter to my Father, then I carried it with a Pair of old Breaches and my Monthly Acco^t. to Mr Wade of Richmond who keeps a

Tuesday the Eleventh; In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee, came home by S^t. Anthons. I cleaned my Shoes and stay d in the house diverting myself, with reading ^&^ playing upon the Flute, and then retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

shop at Fair times in the Town, came home took a walk up the Key, then I came into the

house and found John Cremmor in our house, after he went away I retired to bed exactly

at Ten.

Wednesday the Twelvth; In the morning I went to Mr Scotts to see when my Master cou'd Load a small Ship with Button Coals, but he gave me no positive answer so my Master went and spoke to him himself, and I went for John to his own house and to the Carpenters for him but cou'd not find him then I went to see if there was any thing from Richmond and I got a Letter from Sister 'Hannah', Mr Philop Shepherd dined at our house, and I went to the Rev. Henry Fetherstonhaugh's with a Letter, then I retired into the Office and wrote a Letter to my Sister Hannah, and carried it to 'the' Carriers. then my Master sent me wth. John & some Keelmen to get all the Stacks into the Hay Chamber, and we wrote 'on' till past Eight o'Clock and did not get it all in, then we came down, and I retired to bed a little after Nine.

Thursday the Thirteenth; In the morning I took a walk down to the Carpenters to see the Keel, came home and gave Redd of an order for 1 Gallon of Tarr, then I went to Mr Turnbull's School for Billy to go and help us in with a piece of Hay so we all went up to the Stables and got it in, then we went into the malt lofts and took up 10 Bowles of Malt for John Crenmor & Peggy Bones, after dinner I went down to Winkhamlee, and when I

came home I play'd upon my Flute till my master came in and then retired to bed a little after Ten,

Friday the Fourteenth; Old Geo, called of me at four o'clock to call of Billy for they were going to Lancy Bullman's to see the They [?] bro^t. in, but it was like to be a bad morning so they called of me again before Six to let them in, and then I retired into the Office where I wrote in my Journall and other things, In the forenoon I walked upon the Key and opened a door in the apartment w^{ch}. W^m. Stephenson lived in, In the afternoon I went down to Winkhamlee came home played upon my Flute and retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Saturday the Fifteenth; In the forenoon I went into the Office and drew out the Keelmen's Note. In the afternoon I went with John and paid them, then I came into the house and played upon my Flute and read in the News Paper, then I went up to Mr Akenheads Shop and got some paper for myself, then I took a walk up the Key with Steⁿ. Haxton and then retir'd to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Sunday the Sixteenth; I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon and Lionell Trotter dined at our house. In the evening I took a walk to Henry Marshall's Garden and came home by the Shield field and down Pandon deen. I sat ab^t. an Hour in Alderman ^Sowerby's^ Kitchen with Miss Coward and some and I retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Monday the Seventeenth; I got up before Six o'clock and went down to Winkhamlee came home and went up to the Wax Knowles, and forked Hay for my Master and Mr Davison both forenoon and afternoon, Mr Railston & Lionell Trotter dined at our house, at night I retired to bed a little before Nine.

Tuesday the Eighteenth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee when I came home my Master set me into the Office to copy three Bills, and when I gave them I returned again and wrote in my Journal. In the afternoon I went to the Post Office twice and to School. In the evening I went up to the Stables with Billy and helped Geo. Wardell in with some Hay came home and retired to bed at Ten.

Wednesday the Nineteenth; In the morning I took a walk up to the Stables to see how the Stack was for it blew very hard I got my Breakfast and then went to the Carriers where I got a Letter & a little parcell from my Father and Sister Hannah I retired into the Office and answered Hannah's after Dinner I went carried the Letter with the a Bundell, but the Horses was gone so he took the Letter then my Master sent me to Mr Akenhead's Senr

Shop, with two £20 Bills, he gave me one again and Cash for the other, and at night, I retired and then read the News Paper almost over & then retired to Bed ^between^ Nine & Ten.

Friday Thursday the Twentieth; I went to School both afternoon, In-at night I helped Billy work some Questions in Fractions. Mr Davison, Taylor, was at our house, as soon as he went away I retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Friday the Twenty First; In the I got up before Six o'Clock, and went up on the Key, but there was no Waggons ^at Winkhamlee^ on so I took a walk with Tho^s. Newton toward the Shield field, and came home by Pandon Deen, then I retired into the Office, I went to School, both forenoon and afternoon, and Drunk Tea with billy at his house, Mr Lancelett Brettman & his Brother W^m. were at our house and as soon as they went away I retir'd ^to bed^ between Ten & Eleven.

Saturday the Twenty Second; In the forenoon I drew out the Keelman's Acco^t. after dinner I went with John and paid the Men. I took a walk a walk as far as the Sand hill, then I went into the house and read the News all over, I sat in the house till my Master came in and then retired to bed very nigh Eleven.

Sunday the Twenty Third; In the morning I took a walk to Henry Marshall's Garden I got a Posy I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, took a walk wth. Billy Henderson ^to^ the S^d f^d. dinner & I drunk Tea with Billy In the evening I took a walk with Billy & Billy Trent, came home & sat at Betty a While and then retired to bed between Eleven.

Monday the Twenty Fourth; Billy called up between five & Six for Mr Gallile was come, when he went away Billy and self took a walk towards the Infirmary and came down the Side home again then I retir'd into the Office and wrote in my Journal. In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee after I came home I went to old Mr Akenhead's Shop wth. a Letter for my master he gave me the Letter to read over it was from Mr Tabor to desire he wou'd lett Mr Till have 2 Keels, 4 Cha^s. of Tanf^d. Coals after John and me had ordered the Keels we went to Johns and got some Coffee, came home and sat in the house wth. my Mas^r. & Billy and then retired to bed a very little after Ten. Tuesday the Twenty Fifth. In the morning my ^I took a walk^ M with John to the high of the Key to see if the Weights was come out for the measuring of Keels. but they were not, after breakfast my Master sent me to Mr Rob^t. Grieve upon the Bridge and Mr Tho^s. Simpson in Pilgrom Street Wth. two Bills for acceptance w^{ch}. were both accepted then I

retired into the Office and copyed over an acco^t. of All the Ballast Dues, Dues of the River, and Owners Wages, for the use of the Office, Mr Hill dined at our house after dinner I retired into the Office again and finished the above Copy and rough copyed a Letter to my Brother, and wrote in my Journal, then I went up to the Post Office, came home and shewed Billy how to work some Questions in Fractions I went into Mr Sleigh's Chamber 2 or 3 Minutes to hear Tho^s. Wilkinson and Jackey Johnson play a Tune or Two upon the German Flute & Bass Violin came home and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; In the morning it rained and blew very hard and had done for upwards of forty Hours and it continued 'so till the evening' I went to School both forenoon and afternoon, I call'd of Billy at their house in the morning and went to W^m. Battison's Inn twice before I cou'd find him, but I got a Letter from Sister Dolly, after ^Dinner^ I retired into the Office and answered my Sis^r. Letter and carried the Letter with a Bundle to W^m. the Carrier. In the evening Billy & self went into the house and sat till my Master came in and then retired to bed exactly ½ hour Past Ten. Thursday the Twenty Seventh; In the morning I cleaned my Shoes and took a walk up the Key ^wth.^ Jn^o. & again with Ra: Morton then I walked upon the Key and my Master sent me to ask Mr Rickinson to come and dine with him, Mr Galilee dined at our house, my Master sent me into the Office to bring Mr Webster's Acco^{ts}. of the Ship Fortune to him and I helped him to look over some of them, then I carried them into the Office again, and I wrote in my Journal, In the evening I washed a pair of my Gloves ^and my Mast^r. sent me up to one Jamison's a Skinner to see if there was a Lett^r. for Mr Rickinson[^]. Billy took me into his Mamma's and we stayed in the Kitchen till we were quite warm, and then I took a walk with Billy ^&^ Bobby Cotts to Mr Barber's Shop at the head of the side & Cotts bo^t. a Pockett Book or Letter Case came home Billy & self diverted our selfs by working questions upon a Slate in the house and Dashing, then I retired to bed very nigh Eleven.

Friday the Twenty Eighth. In the morning I went up the Key and told my Master that Breakfast was ready I walked upon the Key Mr Till and Mr Newton dined at our house, I went to School, then I went to the Post Office, came down again and sought my Master to give him the Letters, then I went with Billy to their house and got Tea, Young Jack Thompson came in after we had done, so I came away, and stayed upon the Key till Darkening then came in and retired to bed very nigh Eleven.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth; In the forenoon I retired into the Office and made out the Keelmen's Note then I stayed upon the Key till dinner, after dinner Jn°. & self went to the Can house and paid the Men then I retir'd took a walk up the Key s on board Mr Till's Sloop who loaded 2 Keels & 4 Cha^s. today wth. my Mas^r. and I saw two or three Sloops, and Brigantines come up, some wanted Mast's. & some Boltspirts, wth. several other misfortunes by the violence of the Storm on Tuesday night and all Wednesday the Wind at East North East, all the storm. came down again, I retired into the Office till it was all most dark then went down stairs and dried a pair of Gloves that I had washed on Thursday I read the News Paper over and sat up till wth. Billy but my Master stayed long and then 'I retired to bed' between Eleven & Twelve.

Sunday the Thirtieth; In the morning I took a walk up the Key to see if Mr Till was sailed, from the Key, and he was, then I went to the Garden and got a Posy I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon and went up to the Post Office. In the evening I retir'd into the Office and wrote a Letter to my Bro^r. and also drew out my monthly Account to my Father, In the evening I took a walk with Geo, Waddell, & Ra: Morton came home when my Master & Billy and Billy came home from Tinmouth I retired to bed Nigh Ten.

Monday the Thirty First; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee the Coals from the Lark came in this day for the first time. I came home and went to Mairey's then I went upon the Bridge for some yellow Canvas for money Baggs and to Mr Akenheads for a Letter Case and to speak to Mr Hillcoat for a Sneck Key for our fore door then my Master sent me up to Mr W^m. Allen's wth. 3 Bills but only took two one for £30 & the other for £28 after dinner I made a Bagg and. went to Mr Akenheads shop for a Letter Case I left there then my Master sent me to Mr Fetherston's Office wth. £60 in cash and a £50 note. In the evening I went to speak to my Master twice about the Keels, came in and shewed Billy how to work several Questions in fractions, and retired to bed between Nine & Ten.

SEPTEMBER 1752

Tuesday the First; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee came home and retired into the Office, after dinner I stayed upon the Key till Jn°. came from the Staith and then went with him to their house and compared the Tickett Books, then I

went up to the Post Office and got a Letter for my Master then I took a walk up to the Stables to see my Mas^r. Stack toped out, came down and played upon my Flute and got a Pair of Hallyards at Mr Cramlington's of IQr. 11b wt. I stayed in the house till my Master came in then I took a walk came in and retired to bed a little after Nine.

Wednesday the Second; I got up before five and went down to Winkhamlee, came home, and went to the Carrier where I got a Parcell wth. two Books and 13s. in money from 'with' a Letter from my Mother I retir'd into the Office and wrote an answer my Master called me down and I took to go and tell Jn^o. to come home and I met him at Pipewellgate and so I turned back and carried the Mair up to the Stables. In the afternoon I walked upon the Key and in the evening I took a walk with Billy & Jackey Hebden to see Hebdons Horses, at Grass, in the Chapell fields, came home and I went to Mrs Hudspeths with Billy and stay'd there a good piece and played upon Billy's German Flute came in again but went out again to speak to my Master at Steⁿ. Greys, came in and retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Thursday the Fourteenth; on this day the New Still takes place ⁴ I got up between four and five and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and then went to seek my Master for breakfast, and then retired into the Office where I wrote in my Journall and ^put^ up my Cloth's for the washing, In the afternoon I went to School and my Master ordered me to take the Mair and go down to Winkhamlee so ^and^ I did so for it was to finish the Ship, came home, in the evening and retired to bed a very little before Ten.

Friday the Fifteenth. I got up early in the morning and went rode down to Winkhamlee upon Billy's Galloway, came home and walked upon the Key. I spoke to Mr Webster but he was not for loading, after dinner I retired into the Office and drew out the Monthly vend for the Office, and wrote to Mrs Ward at Westauckland, then I carried the vend to the Office and went to the Post house but there was no letters I called at Mr Hillcoats for my sneck Key but did not get it, I played upon my Flute in the house. In the evening I took a walk with Jn°. Wetherly towards the Sh^d. field came home & retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Saturday the Sixteenth; In the morning I wrote to Mrs Ward at W^tauckland and to my Mother at Richmond then I carried the Letters to Tho^s. Warbottles and came home by the side to get some Gold changed into Silver and then I went to Mrs Hudspeth s to help Billy to Bottle of some Porter my Mas^r. got 13 Gallons of it, after dinner Billy & self

⁴ i.e. the change-over to the Gregorian calendar, whereby Thursday, September 3rd became Thursday, September 14th

went up to Mr Clarks in the Groat Margett to see one Mr Dobson and tell him Mrs Hudspeth was not for sending selling the Galloway we came down again and Bottled some more of the Porter off for Mrs Hudspeth. I stayed and drank Tea at Mrs Hudsth. then Billy and self went to Mrs Bullman's to buy a Slate but she had no very good ones so she dressed my old one for to serve till next week, In the evening I went to Mr Turnbull's School for my Syphering Book and then let Billy see how to do several Questions in Fractions and then retired to bed very nigh Ten.

Sunday the Seventeenth; In the morning I took a walk to the Garden and got a Posy, then I got on my Cloths and took an°. walk with Ra: Morton to the Shield field well, got a drink and then went to Church both forenoon & afternoon. I went up to the Post Office twice and took a walk to the Forth, went to see the Infermary and cut my name out upon the Top of it, came down again I sat at Mr Sowerby's a good while came in Mrs Hudspeth and Misses was at our house, when they went away I retir'd to bed between Nine and Ten.

Monday the Eighteenth. In the forenoon I was going down to Winkhamlee with Ra: Morton but we heard that the Waggonmen had made a Stop ab^t. the Price for the Gentlemen wou'd give no more than 13^d and they demanded 14^d so we came back before we got as far as Byker and we came home by the Shield F^d. so I walked upon the Key and went up to the Stables to tell Billy to come down to dinner, after dinner Billy gave me a ride down to Winkhamlee behind him but there was very few Waggons on so we got no Coals, In the evening I went up to Mr Davison's to get my Coat mended for Billy tore it then I came into the house and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Tuesday the Nineteenth. In the forenoon took a walk-I went to Winkhamlee Mr Dent was in the Wood beside his house with two or Couple of Doggs, so I went into the Wood and saw the Hair, they hounded the doggs upon the scent and ran her to the high end of the Wood and then they lost her, then 'so I' came to the Staith and did my business there then I came 'home' and went up to the Post Office. In the evening I went up the Key with Billy to Mr Bullman's and bought a Hatt for myself then I went to Edw^d. Carny's for my Whip but he had brought it down to our house so I came in & retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Wednesday the Twentieth; I went to School at Seven o'Clock and stayed till Nine then I retired into the Office and wrote a Letter to Sister Ra¹. I carried it to W^m. Battison and then went down to Winkhamlee In the afternoon I went to School, In the evening I

cleaned my Shoes and went to Mr Wailes for 6^{lb} of Candells, then came in Jenny was very quarellsome and struck at me with the Collrake and several times with her hands but at Billy's desire I did not strike again so I sat up till my Master came in and then he asked us what was the matter, he was angry at us both but particularly at me till Billy wakened and then he begun to Calm a little and begun to talk abo^t. my familly for Jenny told me that my Uncle Ward was a Lieing Scandalous, Idle fellow, after my Master smoaked his pipe I retired to bed between Eleven & Twelve.

Thursday the Twenty First; I went to School at Seven o'clock when I came from School my Master sent me into the Office and I coppyed ab^t. a Dozen Reckonings into the Book, both forenoon & afternoon In the evening I played upon my Flute and walked upon the Key awhile then I went to Mrs Hudspeths with Billy and stayed there awhile then we came into our house and my Master br^t. a Master of a Ship in, to lend him his Wide Coat for it rained hard after he went away I retired to bed between Nine & Ten. Friday the Twenty Second; I got up early in the morning and let the Heyne [?] into the house, and called of my Master to go into Yorkshire but my Master was out of order they did not go then I took a walk with Ra: Morton to the Shi^d. f^d. and got a drink of water then my Master sent me to Mr Grieves upon the bridge to cash for a Bill upon him, but he was not in the way so I went to School and then went again, and then went to School both before & after dinner I went to the Post Office and I drank Tea with Mrs Hudspeth, I went into the Office and copyed out a Letter into the Letter Book in the Office then I went to old Mr Akenheads and got two Quire of Paper for my Master, I carried some of it into the Office according to my Masters orders then I went to Mrs Hudspeths with Billy and helped him to bring some things to put again the morning and I retired to bed a little after Ten.

Saturday the Twenty Third; George called me up between Five & Six & I called my Master up in less than an hour after he intended going to Yorkshire ^&^ the Horses were brought down but it was like to be a bad day so they did not go my Master gave me £20: 8s:0d. to keep till he came home again, I walked upon the Key in the forenoon, In the afternoon I went to Mr Hilcoats for my sneck Key and got it, and drunk Tea wth. Billy at Jn°. Crenmors. then I went to Mr Haggerstons the Shoemaker wth. Billy to get a pair of Spur uper Leathers came home Rich^d. Cram took me into Stephen Grays to speak to Mr Macmillon's ab^t. a Loading of Hutton Coals. I sot for my Master all over but cou'd not

find him so afterwards my Master came into the house and then Billy Jn°. & myself went for Mr Macmillongs after he went away I retired to bed a little after Ten.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; We all got up a little after Six o'Clock and I cleaned my Masters Boots & spur Leathers with my Blacking and then went up to the Stables for the Horses and my Master & Billy went away about Nine o'Clock then I went up Stairs and got my Cloth's on for Church where I went both forenoon and afternoon, I took a walk to the Sandhill wth. Lio¹. Trotter and went up to the Post Office I got a Letter from Mr Galilee but durst not open it, I drunk Tea with Billy Henderson at Mr Sowerby's wth.

Mrs Nanny and I stayed there till nigh Nine then came in and retired to bed wth. old

George between Nine and Ten.

Monday the Twenty Fifth; In the morning John called me down stairs for Jacky Campion sent up a Letter for my Master & Jn°. had opened it. I went to [?] Robinson's with the Ladd for he had a Letter for him and I saught for him upon the Key and found him at last and I carried a Hatt that I got of Mrs Bullman to her for it was a bad one and she changed me it for another, after Breakfast there was one Rich^d. Morris a Master of a Ship Bro^t. Mr W^m. Richardson's Return so I went up the Key wth. him got a Guinea changed and gave him 3 Shillings for the Charge that was upon it I went to ask Mrs Hudspeth's advice ab^t. it and she told me I had better keep it till my Master came home, but when I saw Jn°. he told me that my Master ordered him to carry it to the Custom Ho^s. but I did not do it today, after I stayed upon the Key ^&^ I went to Mr Swinhoe's work shop and the man sett me a button upon my breaches and I went up the Key to ask Mr Jn°. Macmillon what his ship name was then I went to Mr Scott and told him we had got the two Brothers of Newcastle on for Hutton Coals and I waited upon the Key all the rest of the afternoon expecting Jacky Campion to come up but he did not so I went into the house and retired to bed with old Geo. a little after Nine.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; In the morning Jacky Campion came up but did not give the ship on to any Fitter, I waited upon the Key all the forenoon & after dinner when Campion went down I spoke to him ab^t. the Loading of L. Benton Coals & he told me that Mrs Atkinson wou'd Load half the Ship if my Mas^r. wou'd the other, and then I went up to the Post Office where I got a Letter for Mrs Hudspeth & another for my self from my Mother, In the evening I retired into the office and at night read in 'Salmon's' Universal Geography and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; I got up at Five o'clock and went down to Winkhamlee came home by Mr Trewitt's Landing wth. Ra^h. Morton to see Mr Saltanstall but he was asleep in the Cabin so we did not disturb him after I came home I went to Custom house to take out a sufference for Jn^o. M^cMillan's Ship but she had been loaded here before, so I went to the Carriers and got a parcell from Richmond. then I went down the shore and told Jn^o. M^cMillan ab^t. the sufference and retired into the Office were I wrote to my Sister Hannah and sent some other things to Richmond and carried them to W^{m's}. Inn after dinner I waited upon the Key and retired into the Office, In the evening I went into Mrs Hudspeth's and stayed apiece then came in and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Thursday the Twenty Eighth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, called on board Mr McMillans Ship but he was not on board, then I called at his Masr. in Sandgate and asked him what time he wou'd clear so I got my Breakfast and went up 'on' the Key but most people was gone to see the unfortunate Owen Macdonald executed for the murder of Robt. Parker Cooper and his body was given to the Surgeon's to be anatomized, then Mr McMillan came up to clear and I got Ra: Morton to go along with me for I had never Clear'd a Ship before, then I went with him myself to the Town's house and we cleared the Ship there then we came home and I settled with, he gave me £20.2°.Od. in Cash & his promis Ty. Note on demand for 11. 5. 0 which amounted to £31.7°.0d. after I walked upon the Key and retired into the Office my Master came home at Six o'Clock, Mrs Hudspeth & Misses came in and Supt, and a little after they went away I retired to bed between Nine and Eleven.

Friday the Twenty Ninth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and gave my Master an Acco^t. of my Stewardship during his absence, & Jn^o. Campion came up, I walked upon the Key, Campion and M^cMillan dined at our house, after 'dinner' I went up to the Post Office came home and went to Mrs Tindells, in the evening I went to Mrs Hudspeth's with Billy and stayed awhile we came in and heard Jackey Campion tell of his Voyages this Summer and about the Custom's at Riga, then we all retired to bed between Nine and Ten.

Saturday the Thirtieth; In the forenoon I went into the Office and made out the Keelmen's Note, Jn°. Campion dined at our house, after dinner I went up to the Stables with Billy and walked upon the Key, then I went to Mrs Tindell's and carried a book or

two with me, came into the house and after my Master supt & smoaked his pipe I retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

OCTOBER 1752

Sunday the First; I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon I went up to the Post Office, in the evening I 'drunk Tea with Billy' Kent at his own house, then came in and retir'd into the Office, after that I took a walk with Miss Coward & two more to the High Town came home my Mas^r. & Billy went into Mrs Hudspeths & I went into Mr Sowerby's came home and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Monday the Second; In the morning I went down to Winkhamlee, Miss Hudspeth set forward to Staiths, after I came home I retired into the Office and wrote in my Journal, and put some Letters upon the file, In the afternoon I went up to see if I cou'd get into the Election House with Billy to see the New Mayor [unreadable name] but I cou'd not get in so I came down street again and I took a walk to the Sand hill, in the evening I took a walk up the Broad Chair & I took a walk the Key with Miss Coward, came home and we waited of Geo. coming up from aboard Jn°. Campion with China ware, and then I retired to bed very nigh Eleven.

Tuesday the Third; In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I went to School and to the Post Office, & I took a walk wth. Billy to James Elliotts to seek a Horse against Thursday and he got one there, & I took a walk up the Key with Billy Henderson, at night Mr Forsters of Yarm sent for me to Mr Fishers at the Kings Head & he desir'd me to go & seek one Maddison that is in Mr Ridley's Office at Heaton but he was not in the Town, so I went bad him goodnight & he invited me to come & Breakfast with him, I came home play'd at Chequers with Billy & retir'd to bed a little after Ten. Wednesday the Fourth; I got up at Six o'Clock & wrote to Jos. Coats at Stockton, then I went & Breakfasted with Mr Forster & gave him the Letter for Stockton then I took a walk wth. Mr Forster to Mr Peareth's Shop upon the Bridge to see Geo. Wright & then to Lord Winsor's ho^s. in Westgate where he rec^d. some Money of Mr Owen for some Corn came down street, took my leave of him & went to see if Jn^o. was gone to Winkhamlee & then retir'd into the Office where I wrote to my Sister Hannah & drew out my Monthly Acco^t. for my Father then I took a walk upon the Sandhills, after dinner I went

to old Mr Akenhead's & got 3 Quires of Paper, I sent two of them home & the other I kept for to make a Journall. I carried them to W^m. Battison and I went to School, in the evening I walked upon the Key came in & the Briglayers was putting up the Kitchen fire place, after it was done I read in the Geography, & retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the Fifth; In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee & Mas^r. & Billy went to Morpeth Races, I cut some sticks when I went to Winkhamlee, after dinner I went to Mrs Tindells & Billy helped me to dress the sticks & we tied them close & put them into the Mattin to pine [?], & Mr Galilee came up & we took the ship on for L. Benton Coals then I went to Mrs Hudspeths & told her that Mr Galilee had a Hatt for Billy, then I went into Mr Sowerby's & sat there a good while my Master & Billy came home and after they had got their suppers & my Master smoaked a pipe I retir'd to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Friday the Sixth; In the morning I went to School, and as I was going down to the Staith I met Sam¹. Campion coining up so I went back a little piece with him then I went down to the Carpenters & told my Master, & from thence I went down to Winkhamlee, Jn^o. & Sam¹. Campion's din'd at our house, after dinner I went up to the Post Office, came down and my Mas^r. sent me to Lio¹. Slators & to Tho^s. Barker in the Side for acceptance of two of Lio¹. Kingley's Bills, then I came & told My Mas^r. & Mr Waddell at Stepⁿ. Greys, I drunk Tea at Mr Sowerby's in the evening I went in to Mr Sowerby's again & stayed a good while, came home & retir'd to bed between Nine and Ten.

Saturday the Seventh; I was walking upon the Key in the morning the Catterick Barber came to me & told me had a Wigg for me so I came home wth. him & fitted very well, then he went away & my Master sent me an Errand to Lio¹. Slators, came back again & went to Mrs Tindell's, after dinner I walked upon the Key & drunk Tea at Mrs Hudspeth's and took a walk with Billy to the Shield field with De^e^go to see if he wou'd hunt ^& he did very well^ then we came home I told Lio¹. to come & shave my Master, I read in the Newspaper & retir'd to bed at Ten.

Sunday the Eighth; In the forenoon I went to Church, In the afternoon I walked upon the Key & stayed at Mr Sowerby's with Miss Coward, I went up to the Post Office & drunk Tea with Billy Kent In the evening I went up to the Stables for Billy came down we got our Suppers and retired to bed between Nine & Ten.

Monday the Ninth; I got up between five & Six and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and went into the Office, my Mas^r. sent me to tell Mr Scott that he had taken Mr

M^cMillan on for Button Coals then I retir'd into the Office again, after dinner I went down to Winkhamlee, and came home in Andrew Taylor's Werry, then I went up to the Stables with Billy & saw the Dogs fed for Mr Colepitts & some other Gentlemen was going away in the Morning to Rothbury in Northumberland, were Mr Colepitts Estate lies, came down & played at Cards wth. Billy, and then retir'd to bed between Nine & Ten.

Tuesday the Tenth; In the morning I went down to the Winkhamlee Carpenters then my Master sent me to Mr Rob. Shortridge's the Fitter, and I ser'd a Bill upon him, by Jn°. Hill payable to my Master for £190.0.0d. then my Master sent me to Mr Tho^s. Simpson's Office for I cou'd not find him ^in^ the house his Office is very nigh the Mayor's house, but as it was only the Second days Grace he wou'd not pay it, In the afternoon my Master sent me to Mr Fetherston's Office wth. Two Hundred Pound in Cash, but there was a bad 36^s. piece so I came down again and got another of my Mas^r. I called at the Post Office and gave in the Monthly Vend to Mr Fetherston's Office, came down and got the Six and Thirty piece of Mr Shortridge, In the Evening I carried Mr Jn°. Rickinson to our house where he gave on to my Master for Long Benton Coals, to be Loadon in 3 Weeks time Billy and self played at Cards, I went into their House with him, came in and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Wednesday the Eleventh; I got up between five and Six and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and went to see if there was any thing from Richm^d. but there was not so I came home my Master sent me to Simpson's Office in the Closs but he told me he fanc'ed my master was fear'd of the Money, to and he wou'd pay it till the afternoon so my Mas^r. saw afterwards and he paid my Mas^r. wth. a Guinea w^{ch}. was bad and he had not ano^r. to change it with, then my Master sent me to see for him but I cou'd not find him, tho^h. I went to the foot of the Side and to his Office, Mr .Jn°. Rickinson dined at our house, after dinner I retired into the Office and wrote to my Sister Hannah, then I went with Mr Hillam to Mr W^m. Smith at the Barras Bridge with a Letter that he brought from Leghorn from Smith's Son there, then we came down and I went to the Custom and Town Houses to seek for my Master and to tell him Mr Hillam was at the Peacock, then my Master sent me with John Dawson (Master of Mr Railston's Brig) to see for 'the Mayor or any' of the Aldermen to sign a writing that my Mas^r. had got from the Duke of Richmond's Clerk to ab^t. paying the OverSea Duty at Yarmouth, "but they were all at dinner so we came and told my Master then he sent us to Alderman Clayton to sign

it but we cou'd not find him neither, so we went to the Mayor's house again but were no better for they had not done dinner, so we went to Clayton again and he signed it after he Swore Jn°. Dawson and did likewise Jn°. Dawson, the when we told my Master he sent us to the Custom house where we finished our tedious piece of business, then I went to Simpson's Office to seek for the Debt of £l.ls. upon Hurford and Willis's Bill but cou'd not get it, came home and after sitting in the Kitchen with my Master I retir'd to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Thursday the Twelvth; I got up before Six o'clock and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and went to Simpson's Office and rec'd the Debt of £l. ls. upon Hurford and Willis's Bill, Mr W^m. Hillam, Mr Jn^o. Galilee & Mr Sam^l. Campion dined at our house after dinner I went to School a little while, then came in and retir'd into the Office where I copyed Eight Bill & Notes together into the bill book to the Amo^t. of £180 & upwards then I walked upon the Key, at night I went into Mr Sowerby's awhile then came home and after my Master smoaked a pipe I retir'd to bed nigh Eleven.

Friday the Thirteenth; I got up between five and Six and went down to Winkhamlee, came home and my Master & Billy went down down to Shields, after they went away I walked upon the Key till the afternoon, then I went up to the Post Office. In the evening I took a walk to the Sand hill, then I went into Mr Sowerby's when I came in my Mas^r. & Billy was come home, & retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Saturday the Fourteenth; I got up early in the morning and went down to Winkhamlee, it rained all the way down, & most of the way home but I had my Wide Coat on, after dinner I went with John to pay the Keelmen & then my Master sent me to Mr Fetherston's Office with Notes 'only' the Amo't. of £131, came 'home' & at night Billy & self played at Cards & retired to bed between Ten & Eleven.

Sunday the Fifteenth; In the morning my Master sent me for ½ Pound of Currants for a Pudding. I went to Post Office to Church both forenoon and afternoon. I went to the Post Office and drunk Tea with Billy Henderson. In the evening I went to the Dodderas beside The Barragh Sandeferstone with to Catch the Horses but we cou'd only catch my Master's Mair for Billy's Galloway wanting we durst not go nigh hand it, then I took a walk with Mr Sowerby's house keeper to the High Town, came home and I stayed at Mr Sowerby's awhile, then came in and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Monday the Sixteenth; Jn. called of me at Six o'clock & I called of Billy we got some more and went to Catch the Galloway but we were a long time first, after we came in my

Mas^r. & Billy went with W^m. Cramlington to Yoursdon a Greyhound Coursing. Mr Sam^l. Campion & his wife came I took a walk with him & she stayed at Mrs Hudspeth's after dinner I walked upon the Key and went into the Office in the evening I walked upon the Key and after my Mas^r. & Billy came home I read in the Magazine and retired to bed between Ten and Eleven.

Tuesday the Seventeenth; In the morning I went down to Winkhamlee, after dinner I went to John Pearts were I saw Peggy Crospyof Richmond I stay'd a while then went up to the Post Office, then I drunk Tea at Jn°. Pearts, came home Billy and self played at Cards & I retir'd to bed nigh Eleven.

Wednesday the Eighteenth; In the morning I went down to Winkhamlee after I came home I went to see if there was anything from Richmond but there was not so I came home and retired into the Office, at night I retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the Nineteenth; In the morning I took a walk with Jacky Hebden to the Castle yard for a pair of under Spurr Leathers but old Mr Perrott was not there so we came down again, I got my Breakfast and went down to Winkhamlee, In the afternoon I went to School a little while and I drunk Tea at Mrs Hudspeths with Billy in the Kitchin, I took a walk up the Key, came home I went into Mr Sowerby's a little while, then I played at Cards with Billy & retired to bed a little after Ten.

Friday the Twentieth; In the morning I stayed upon Key and help to Trim some Fire Coals that my Mas^r. had got in, and I went to Mr Bink's with Billy for some Sausages to Carry to the Staith but he cou'd not stop so we went upon the Key again and then I went for some Sausages again Billy went down to Winkhamlee and I followed him with the Sausages, I fired a Gunn at Winkhamlee it being the first I fired but killed nothing, at night I went into Mr Sowerby's a while and played upon my Flute, & after my Master smoaked a Pipe I retir'd to bed a little after Eleven.

Saturday the Twenty First; In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee, after I came home I saught my Mas^r. to get £1 8s of him to pay the Keelmen, but I cou'd not find him so I got the money from Mrs Hudspeth and carried it to the Canhouse, at night I went to Mr Sowerby's a while then came in and retired to bed after Ten.

Sunday the Twenty Second. In the morning I went to the Quaker ^shop^ for ½ Ounce of Cinnamon, I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon I took a walk up Pandon Causway and came down by the Wax Knowles before dinner, after dinner I took a walk towards the Firth and look'd at the inside of the Infirmary as well as the out and called at

the Post Office but there was no Letters after dinner Church time I drunk Tea at Mr Sowerby's and took a walk with Miss Coward and Mr Sowerby's People upon the Ropery at the other side of the Water and went round by a Lane till we came to the high end of Gateshead then called at a House there were one of the Company had a Bro^r. & Sis^r. with some Childⁿ. there then we came home again I sat at Mr Sowerby's a good while then came in and retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Monday the Twenty Third; In the forenoon I went with Billy to Mrs Hudspeth's and got some sweet Whort and I went to Mr Haggerston's with Sam¹. Campion to get a Pair of Shoes and speak for a pair of Boots which he did, and he dined at our house, after dinner I gave the Keelmen leave to take Tide's but they cou'd get none, then I went into the Maltloft and helped to take up some Malt for Jn^o. Crenmor then I helped to carry some Shovels my Mas^r. had bought into the high loft of all in our ^own^ house I drunk with my Mas^r. & Billy at night we all played at Cards Rob^t. Gothard came ab^t. a Turn of Coals for Mr Tho^s. Francis, Mas^r. of the Dottingin of London and Jn^o. Crenmor came to pay my Master for some Malt, after they went away I retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve.

Tuesday the Twenty Fourth; In the morning I went with John & George to sort some Shovels in the Garrett, then we went to the Malt loft and took up some Malt after I went down to Winkhamlee came home clean'd my Shoes and went with Billy to get in the Horses, came home I went into Mr Sowerby's a while and then I retired to bed a little after Ten.

Wednesday the Twenty Fifth; I called Billy up pretty early and he went with Ralph Horton to Corbridge, and I w^e^nt ^twice^ to see for something from Richmond and at last got 2 Letters from Sis^r. Han^h. & another from Sis^r. Dolly with an order for a Spoon ^and an acco^t. of my Father's being at London^, but I cou'd find none of the sort, and Sister Hannah gave me intelligence of my Fathers being at London, I wrote to my Mo^r. Sis^{rs}. Hannah & Dolly and carried to W^m. Battison after dinner I went down to Winkhamlee came home and retired into the Office at Billy did not come home so I retired to bed at Ten.

Thursday the Twenty Sixth; I got up at five o'clock and went down to Winkhamlee came home and went up the Key to seek my Mas^r. at last I found him and then I went to Mr Forsters with a £40 Bill and retired into the Office after dinner my Cousin Patty Reed sent for me to Peter Hasten's in Gateshead where I stay'd about an hour and 'when' she

went away I came home and walked upon the Key In the evening I ^carried Mr Rickinson's Mide Coat to Mr Cowlson's and retir'd ^to bed at Ten.

Friday the Twenty Seventh; In the morning I went to Alderman Sowerby's Raff yard, In the afternoon I went to the Sand hill with Billy to see if the Post was come, we came my Master sent me to both the Printing Offices with an advertisement came down cleaned my Shoes and went up to the Post Office after that I went to Mr Haxton's a while and play'd upon my Flute with Billy Henderson, then I went in to Mr Sowerby's a while, then came and retired to bed at Eleven.

Saturday the Twenty Eighth; I got up early in the morning and 'was going' down to Winkhamlee but I met the Skipper coming home for orders so I turned back and went into the Office, after dinner I went to the Can house and paid the Keelmen then went to Mr Sowerby's Raff yard played upon my Flute, I went into Mr Sowerby's twice and at night I retired to bed at Ten.

Sunday the Twenty Ninth; I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon I went to the Post Office and from thence I went to see Mas^{rs}. & Billy's Horse at the Grass, I drunk Tea at Mr Sowerby's and sat there a while then I walked upon the along with Billy Henderson and went into there house with him, then I came in and retired to bed nigh Eleven.

Monday the Thirtieth; In the forenoon I took a walk with Billy to the Cowhill and we stayed there a good while, came home and my Mas^r. sent me up to the Spread Eagle to see for Mr Railston but he was not come and I went to the Sandhill for 2 Lemmon's, Mr Tunstall, Mr Railston & Mr Garth dined at our house, after dinner I went into the High Town where I saw Mr Tho^s. Cowling of Richmond who told me that Jos. Coats was. dead, then I went to Mr Sowerby's Raff yard and went into Mr Sowerby's house a while, then I went to our Jn^{o's}. took a walk up the Key with Rob^t. Potts and also set Mr Sowerby's Nanny to Mr Fishes [?], came home and retir'd to bed at Eleven. Tuesday the Thirty First; In the forenoon I went down to Winkhamlee came home and my Master set me into the Office to copy over about a Farm of his in Yorkshire, my Master dined at Mrs Hudspeths, in the afternoon I retired into the Office and play'd upon the Flute, then I went into the High Town to the Post Office and called at Mr Wades where I got some Letters from Richmond, in the evening I went upon the Sandhill with John my Master brought Lio¹. Trotter into our house and we spent in played at Cards,

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Catching at the apple upon a stick and also in the water & cracking Huts, after Lio¹. went away I retir'd to bed at Eleven.

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