

OCTOBER 1757

Friday the Twenty First; The weather has been remarkably fine not only all this Summer, but this back end of the year, nobody that I hear speak of the Roads knowing them better than at present, this latter end of the Year the Wind has been several times round the compass seldom continuing many days in the ark, in General, has remaind most in the S.W and N.E. Points. I helped Tho.^s to refine some Earth bro.^t out of the Lanes for the Gardens and on

Saturday the Twenty Second I helped to spread the Earth upon the little Garden beds, after dinner Tho.^s and self went to see the workmen at Winn's House and drank Tea at Mrs Lincoln's

Sunday the Twenty ~~Second~~ Third; I went to Church twice, but my Uncle once, I read a Sermon to Tho.^s in y. even,

Monday the Twenty Forth; In the forenoon I helped to finish laying Earth in the little Garden, M^r Preston of Stoxley dined today, I wrote a few lines to M^r Jn.^o Pease of Darnton and to my Mother at Richmond with some fruit as apples and Pears, In the afternoon I went to M^r Mide's to borrow a News Paper for my Uncle, and stayd an hour or two

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth; I took a walk to see where Jack gets the Earth we have had lately out of the Lanes, and I find it is a little further in Stoxley Lane then M^r Spencer's farm House the Tennant whereof Jos^p. Ager walked with me almost round the Estate, he tells me he computes 85 Acres to be containd in it, and he pays £47 p ann. And Tith's, some Rain fell last night ~~fell last night~~ but this is a fine day

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; My Uncle and Tho^m^s went for Boulby, about Seven o'clock W^m Stephenson went with them to see Grainge. at Nine Alexand.^r the Smith and I went to a wood and cut some sticks, we got home before two, I went into the Ground to see Jack and Jn.^o Boys leading Manure, my Uncle and Tho.^s got home after six.

Thursday the Twenty Seventh; I helped to spread Soaper's ashes upon the Earth that we spread last Saturday, after dinner I went to see them lead Manure as yesterday, I walked with Tho.^s to his field that Ja.^s Bird has, and also to M^r. Jackson's an hou^r I read over 2 of my Broth Letter's to me, and a copy of one to Oliver to satisfye him, how generously my Broth used Oliver in his Business, and only for Friendship, the reverse of what he had heard from Oliver, that is that my Broth made £50 p ann. of Oliver's business.

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Friday the Twenty Eighth, I got up before six and a little after set forward for Stockton, I settled my Mother's business with M^r Robinson, viz Reced of him a Bank Note for £21 and his own bill on M^r Simond in London for £52_5^s_9^d being in all £73_5^s_9^d the half amount of 164 Pieces of Lead to: 204^{cwt}_3st 7^{lbs}, or, 9^{tons}, 6^{cwt}_3st 7^{lbs}, at 15:15 p. Hodd which my Mother is entitled to one half of. I got my Uncles business done with M^r Maddison, and got home between 2 and 3

Saturday the Twenty Ninthe; M^r White and Tho.^s Jackson came from the Grainge with a load of Barley Straw and M^r Preston Attorney at Stockton, came with M^r Ra: Ashmell and paid my Uncle £836 - the former £80 being ~~Interest~~ Principal, and the latter 6£ being Interest thereon the money was lent to late M^r Mayer of Stockton, M^r Ashmall's Son and Daughter are the Legatees of M^r Mayer for an Estate of One Hundred Guineas a yea^r They (M^r Preston and M^r Ashmall) dined and went away about Three o'Clock

Sunday the Thirtieth, I went to Church twice, my Uncle once, the Wind Blew hard last night and continues at S:W I read a Sermon to Thomas Presswick.

Monday the Thirty first and last day

I got up before five as did my Uncle, who (with Tho.^s) went with M^r Hide before Six to vote for M^r Dodsworth of Thornton-Watless near Beadle, for the Registry Office at N.^oallerton, vacant by the Resignation of M^r. W^m Turner, on the Death of his Bro.^h Cholmley Turne^r Jack and I went to Skelton Ellers wood and cut some walking sticks. we got home at Eleven, I got a Letter from my Mother by Yarm, I made market, viz bought a Leg, a Neck, and a Breast and Neck of Mutton @ 2½^d. & 2¼^d. p Pound. In the evening M^r W^M Jackson Jun^r came down supt and went away a little after ~~by~~ Ten. D^r. Proddy and his friend Rich^d Smith (Lord Downs's Gamekeeper) Jn.^o Husband and Forster supt and stayd till between one and two

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Tuesday the First. In the forenoon I stayd about the House, in the afternoon about 3 o'Clock my Uncle came from N.^oallerton, M^r Robinson of Wellbar near York, ~~ther~~ succeeded, there being only One Candadate (M^r Dodsworth) to oppose him, as M^r Butterwick of Thirk declined, as I hear at the request and promise of another Place by the Marquiss of Rockingham, who joined Interest with Lord Downs in M^r Robinson's favour; M^r Robinson had 180 votes, and M^r Dodsworth 173, in all 253, but it's likely all

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that were Qualified did not appear, Those Qualified must have an £100 Pound Annuity for life, or are possessd of an Estate of Free Land or Houses of an £100 p ann^m

Wednesday the Second, I got up early and helped Jack to drive the four fat oxen that have been here this Summer to Skelton Ellers in their road to Grainge, we met W^m White at the Ellers. Jack returned and I proceeded to Staiths. Cousins Bell and Billy Pease came there before dinner, at 3 Billy and I came to Grainge ~~at this~~ attended by M^r Wardell from the Allom works, we parted at Grainge Gate, Billy for Whitby and I for Gisb^h.

Thursday the Third; In the forenoon I helped to pile the Oak we lead from Spring wood on the 17th Ultō: see Journal Letter F, on which day I hurt my leg, which is now pretty well again, only Tender, I went into the School in y^e afternoon

Friday the Forth, after breakfast my Uncle and I told over £520 for me to carry to M^r Jefferson tomorrow; about Ten my Uncle and Tho.^s set out for Kirkleatham, where M^r W^m Turner had the Annual Feast for this day, always observd by the late Cholmley Turner in memory of K: William's Landing as on this 4th day, of November, there was much Company, and a Grand dinner provided; at every health, a volley of Smal arms or the Great Guns were fired, which M^r Turner maintains, my Uncle returned after five as did Jack from Staiths with Read Herrings, Yarmth Biscuits and Pease, the Herring or five men Boats being returned from Yarmouth. I had the above mo:ⁿ in my Possession all day.

Saturday the Fifth; I got up at five, and at six Alex^r Pulman came, when i gave him A Letter for my Mother I wrote yester Day, and Twenty Guineas for her, and he set forward on my sorrel mair for Richmond, with his wife, in order to bring my Brother's foal to Winter here I mounted a little after 7, with the 500£ as Principal and 20£ In Interest, vid: yesterday for M^r Jn.^o Jefferson of Staiths. I dined there as did M^r Wardell, Cous:ⁿ Bell^a Pease being there, I came away at three after dinne^r

Sunday the Sixth, this morning is very Rainy, and the weather seems to be broke, the roads were so good yesterday that tho' I went off the Causay all the way, I had not one sprint on my Boots, such a series of fine weather my Uncle nor none I hear speak of it has ever remembred; I went to Church twice but my Un. not at all,

Monday the Seventh, I was a witness to a Bond between my Uncle and Rich^d Forster of Forster Howl for £30 I drank Tea at Oliv^r Presswick's, in the evening I got a Letter from

my Mother by Alexander Pulman who is come from Richmond vid: Saturday last and bro.^t my Broth George's Colt to Winte^r

Tuesday the Eighth, I took a walk wth Thomey to Jn.^o Thomas's, after dinner I carried M^r Jackson's the Bill I took of M^r Robinson at Stockton Friday gone a sen'night for £52_5^s_9^d, wrote to my Mother by Post, drank Tea and spent part of the evening at Oliver Presswick's

Wednesday the Ninth, I got up at five and rode with Jack to Grainge, we brought my Uncle's Filly got by Young Cada to Winter with my Brothers Colt vid: Monday last, the weather is very stormy this evening, and has been all the afternoon

Thursday the Tenth, I sat with my Uncle in the forenoon in his New Closet, and after dinner, helped to cut and pull up by the Roots the Horse Chesnut Tree that stood down the Garth which my GrandMother planted. Tho.^s and I drank Tea at Mrs Lincoln's. Oliv^r Presswicks youngest Daughter Mally being to go away in the morning for London, and this is way a farewell.

Friday the Eleventh, In the forenoon I helped to Bottle some Ale. M^r Wardell dined in his Road to Bis. brig^l I took a walk to M^r Fox's at the Factory after dinner

Saturday the Twelvth, I helped Jack to turn over to lay in a regular Heap, some Earth, that he and Jn.^o Boys led out of the Lanes, this Earth is to lay in the heap to digest for the Gardens this time 12 mo^h. I drank Tea at Oliv^r Presswicks, Tho.^s went to Stoxley in the morning, ab^t Jn.^o Reed's aFair with M^r Forster of Yarm viz: to call 20£ of the Interest, but I suppose no money can be paid on that account till John's decease.

Sunday the Thirteenth, in the morning I sent a Guinea to M^r Forster of Newcastle for some Liquors he sent to Richmond, and wrote to him, this being silent or month Sunday I read at home. Thomey Presswick bro^h my Un. a Letter yesterday from Stoxley from my Mother, which informs us of my Brother Wilson's again going to China, but in another ship (not the Suffolk of 24 Guns and 90 Men, but the Pitt, called so after the Secretary of State of that name, of 50 Guns and 250 Men). I suppose his advantages will be encreased as also his Reputation, for She tho' is a Mercant Ship, she is to be as Convoy to a Fleet, vid: ab^t Christmas next, (if all be well) that being the time appointed for his leav^s England

^l the Bishopric, i.e. Durham

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Monday the Forteenth, This being a Fair day W^m White cane but bought no Beasts; I sat an hour or two at M^r Etherinton's in the forenoon and as long at Oliv^r Presswicks in the afternoon, where I drank Tea. M^r Preston of Stoxley dined

Tuesday the Fifteenth, the wind rose early this morning, and continues to blow very hard at South. M^r Will^m Jackson Jun^r came down and received some money £600 and Interest thereon he drank some Punch with my Uncle, and self; In the evening, Thomey and I went to M^r Jackson's where was Jn.^o Husband, we supt, and sat till Eleven o'Clock

Wednesday the Sixteenth, About Seven I set forward for Staithes, but called at Grainge and Boulby, after I dined with Mrs Jefferson and Miss Pease I returnd home, and found M^r Jefferson, who laid at Marsk last night; in the morning of Thursday the Seventeenth I set M^r Jefferson beyond Skelton, when I returnd, my Uncle and Thomey were going off to see M^r Skotta of Aton who has been ill, at three o'Clock I went to Ja^s Birds where Mrs Lincoln and Nancy Presswick was, I drank Tea with them there.

Friday the Eighteenth, in the forenoon I drew the foul over [?] of M^r Greenhow's account of Dar'nton with Mrs Lincoln, but finding an Error, I went with Thomey to her House. M^r Galilee of Staiths sent a Boy by Thomey with a £120 Note for Cash which he gave Mess^{rs} Jackson's today upon promise of Cash in a fortnight's time, or thereabouts, M^r Maddison and his Son, of Stockton drank a Glass with my Uncle and I till seven Saturday the Nineteenth, In the morning I rode to Grainge and then to Boulby where I dined wth M^r Wardell, who returnd out of Bishoprick on Thursday the low way, (see Friday gone a sennight,) we returnd to Upton to make up a difference between one of my Uncle's Tenants there and one of M^r Moor's but made no great progress; while there, a man came to get a Pint of ale, in his Road to Marsk from Robin Hoods Bay, where he and Twelve other men landed out of a Ships Boat which was run down off there, with Bail Goods to the value of 3,000£ from London to Stockton, the vessell belonged to one Miller of the latter place; when I came home I found Doct^r Proddy who drank with us till past Seven, the wind has blown desperately hard this Evening from South and South West,

Sunday the Twentieth. In the morning I had a Letter of Rec^t from M^r Forster of Newcastle for 2 Gallons of Gin and same quantity of annaseed water ~~and a~~ sent to Richmond charged £0: 19^s, 0^d I sat with my Uncle in his Pew in the forenoon, and with Doct^r Proddy in his in the afternoon, I wrote to my Brother in the evening I drew out M^r

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Greenhow's Account with Mrs Lincoln (see friday last) Tho.^s and I went to her House after my Un: went to bed and sat till past Ten

Monday the Twenty First, W^m White came in the morning and about Eleven we set out for Darn'ton, we stopt at Yarm half an hour, M^r Pease and Ra: Reed and M^r Terry spent the evening with me at Mrs Stephensons

Tuesday the Twenty Second, I went with W^m White into the Beast Market, he bought 2 Fatt and 2 Lean Oxen. I breakfasted with M^r Pease and about Eleven set out for Richmond, I found all well there but for Hannah, I went to M^r Temples this evening he having been out of order a long time and continues so, he's pretty much hipped

Wednesday 23, I went to Cousⁿ Betty Coats her Cousin Wilsons are there, and I went with them to M^r Hutchinson's of the Green and drank Tea, and also to M^r Blackburn's Lecture with them

Thursday the Twenty Fourth and Friday the Twenty Fifth, I went down street once or twice each day.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth. I omitted to take notice of yesterday that the K^g of Prussia's Victory over the French and Imperialists was confirmed in the Gazette, the King fought in Person with only Eighteen Thousand men, the former (the French) had 40,000 the latter (Imperialists) 25,000, and about 16,000 Austrians, with inequality, 18,000, and 80,000, he beat them in about 3 hours, so that the French out of 40,000, misses 24,000 Men, and had not the night comed on it's thought they would have many more been a wanting, however the combind Army are totally dispersd in Germany; this day (Saturday) I went down street several times, and settled with (that is paid) M^r Kilburn my Mother's half of the expences of smelting and Car^{ra} of a quantity of Ore and Slags that were at the mill at Ellerton, which my Mother was entitled to one half of according to contract Aug^s 4: vid: Journal Lett^e:F; M^r W^m Allen spent this evening with me at my Mothers.

Sunday the Twenty Seventh, I went with Sister Dolly twice to Richm:^d Church, M^r Jn.^o Close, M^r W^m Allen, M^r Stoop Curate, and Cousⁿ Betty Coats drank Tea.

Monday the Twenty Eighth, about Eight in the morning I left my Mother, and dined at Yarm, my Uncle is well, at Gisbrough where I arrivd between 5 and 6

Tuesday the Twenty Ninth, W^m White brought the remainder of 60 Bushels of Barley for my Uncle's own malt

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Wednesday the Thirtieth and last day, About Eight I set forward for Staiths. I called at Grainge and Boulby as I went, and after I had dined wth M^r and Mrs Jefferson and M^r Wardell there, I returnd it has been very Stormy to day the Wind at S:E and E and rained all the day

DECEMBER 1757

Thursday December, the First, This day is as yesterday, Rainy all day and the wind Blows fresh, with this difference from the N:E. about Three I went to M^r Etherington's and drank Tea, when I went, old W^m Robinson's Corps was in the Church, he was Father to Ann Cornforth over the way who is Mother to W^m Cornforth at Deighton near N.^oallerton, , the above W^m Robinson was in his 83^d year, and was rather Childish of late; my Uncle and him were very kind formerly, he being a Shoemaker and kept Yarm Fair with my Uncle, but since they grew old they did not see each other often.

Friday the Second, I wrote to my Mother by M^r Pease Jun^r's Boy who came from Whitby to day, having gone there yesterday for Billy Pease's Close, who is going to stay at Darn'ton, I wrote to M^r W^m Allen by Post about some Money 100£ he desird me to ask my Uncle for, but my Uncle cannot lend him at present, today two Boxes came from Whitby being bro.^h there by the Darling from M^r Gancell with Grapes and Pears, the former were entirely spoiled, and many of the latter by Rain and Sea Wate^r In the evening Nath.^l Campion came here in his road from Shields to Staiths, having laid the Tho.^s and Rich.^d up at Shields ~~we~~ retired to bed past Nine.

Saturday the Third, Nath.^l Campion set out in the morning for Staiths, while it Snew, which is the first time I have seen Snow this Winter, my Uncle had a fire in his New Closet, above this the Gun Closet, I read a little and then we fell to sort the Books in it both forenoon and afternoon, Sunday the Forth. I went to Church twice, my Uncle once, some Snow fel today again, and is a hard frost

Monday the Fifth, we have had Rain this morning, but it fell none all day and is cold, I went up street

Tuesday the Sixth, Much Rain has fallen this night, the Wind Southerly, in the forenoon I went to Jn.^o Martin's about my Moth's affair wth Peter Dale, late Jn.^o Dale's Son. M^r Fox dined at our House, and sat till after three to see the News Papers, I had a Letter from M^r W^m Allen vid:Friday last, today; who gives me an Acco.^l of a Mob of 200

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People that came to Richmond last Saturday on a pretence of Fixing the Price of Provisions, they had been at Middleham, Askrigg, and Reeth Markets, but the Mayor with the Gentlemen of the Town and County ab.^t Richmond assembled at the Cross, read the Riot Act, and then took 12 of the Ringleaders;. In the evening my Uncle went to the Cock and sat till Nine wth the comm^{rs} of the Excise, during which time I was at M^r Etheringtons.

Wednesday the Seventh, about Eight I ~~went~~ set forward to Staiths, I called at Grainge, and at Boulby where I left M^r Wardell a 100£ which my Uncle got of y.^c comm^{rs} last night for a draught, I dined at M^r Jefferson's wth Nath.^l Campion and Jam^s Coats late a Ship builder of Whitby, I returnd home at five.

Thursday the Eighth

Both forenoon and afternoon we sorted the Books in my Uncle's New Closet (see last Saturday),

Friday the Ninth, there's much Rain intermixed with a sort of Sleet falls this morning, the South East Wind Blows fresh, I wrote to Peter Dale Quaker about a Debt contracted by his Father with mine, see his the Letter in the little Drawer, I also wrote to M^r W^m Allen see this day se'nnight, my Uncle had a Letter from my Mother ab^t the Mob at Rich^d (see Tuesday last) I sat an hour or two with M^r Fox at the Factory, who gave me a pruning Knife that he told me was his Father's, John Johnson the Carrier bargaind with my my Uncle about the Grounds that Jn.^o Homan and Jn.^o Porrit has now w^{ch} they have giving in to leave.

Saturday the Tenth, I was seizd with a Numness over my Eyes, viz: above my Eye Brows, I walked with Tho.^s Presswick up street and lookd at my Uncles Malt now making at Oliver Presswick's Maltkiln. I walked into the School also. I read in the 5th Vol: of the Spectators, having Read the first at Newcastle and the 3rd and 4th within 2 months

Sunday the Eleventh, this being a silent Sunday I read the Lessons and 2 Sermons, in the evening I was sent for to the sign of the Cock by Mich.^l Dawson of Newcastle apprentice to M^r Aubone Surtees on the Sandhill there, he is upon his return from Scarbr^h a boat, his Master's business, we, with Jn.^o Postgate and Baldock the Landlord sat till near two o'Clock in the morning of

Monday the Twelvth, M^r Jefferson and M^r Wardell came in the fornoon and returnd after dinner, I went up street 3 or 4 times, drank Tea at Oliver's

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Tuesday the Thirteenth, I wrote to my Mother, my Broth Geo: M^r Tho.^s Ord and to Cousⁿ Jn.^o Pease at Darnton, the News this Post contradict's itself much, from the Berlins it's said Prussians have killd and taken 16,000 Men, and from Vienna and Brussels, they write that the Austrians have killd and taken 12,000 they both agree the Battle was fought the 22^d: Ult. Fridays Post will determine it

Wednesday the Fourteenth, a little after Six Tho.^s and I set forward for Staithes, where we stayed about Two Hours, Jn.^o Galilee is got home having laid his Ship the Mary and Jane up, at Shields. I saw a man Temper Fishing hooks; Thomey and I dined at M^r Wardells, and returnd home at four, calling at Grainge as we went and came.

Thursday the Fifteenth, In the forenoon I walked with Thomey to see my Uncle's Malt (see last Saturday) w^{ch} is now upon the Kiln Baulks drying; we also called to see W^m Colthirst who has been ill, but is now pretty much recoverd,. Jack went to Grainge in the morning and bro^t 13 Bushells of Oats; the morning was was very fine, but after dinner the weather changed to a Stormey N: Wind with Hail and Snow, Oliver Presswick arrivd today from London he has been Ten Weeks away gone Tuesday, see the day before that (3rd Dec) in Journal F, Tho.^s Presswick and I drank Tea at M^r Lincoln's.

Friday the Sixteenth, after dinner I walked with Tho.^s to Jn.^o Postgates and then to the Cock (Baldocks) where we found the Battle on the 22^d Ult.^o between the Prussians commanded by the Prince of Bevern who was taken Prisoner, and the Austrians comm^d by Prince Cha^{rs} of Lorraine to be confirmd in favour of the latter, the Prussians were 35.000, the Austrians were 60,000 Strong, the former was intrenchd near Breslau, Saturday the Seventeenth, Thomey and I went to M^r Lincolns where we saw near 20 People Rolling Soap into Balls, in the evening Oliver Presswick sat two Hours, I wrote to M^r W^m Jefferson of Newcastle.

Sunday the Eighteenth, I went to Church twice my Uncle once, the day was very Serene, Wind at N:E.

Monday the Nineteenth, I wrote to M^r Jn.^o Pease of Darnton and to my Mother, by M^r W^m Norton Jun.^r Clerk to M^r Robson Attorney at Darnton, who bro^t me a Letter yesterday from M^r Jn.^o Pease, desiring me to be his Trustee in the marriage Articles which I assented to with my Uncles leave by signed the marriage Articles, between him and Miss Han^a Haigh of Darn'ton, late of Halifax he is to have 1300 Pounds in money or the Securities she has for it, and 25b Pounds p ann^m near Halifax, which 25£ he settles

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upon her, wth the House, Warehouses, and every appurtenance whatsoever belonging that House valued at forty Pounds p ann^m, this 40 wth the above 25£ make up her Jointure being 65£ p ann^m, the old People at Whitby Jn.^o and Elz.^a Pease has had that House in Darn'ton in possession all along, till now, they have made it over to their Son John

Tuesday the Twentieth, I went up street twice, and after dinner helped Tho^s and Jack to Bottle a two anchor Cask of ale, this day has been very fine

Wednesday the Twenty First, Between Seven and Eight Oliver Presswick and self set off to Stockton, I dined at the Black Lyon- our Inn, I staid till after Two, and then returnd

Thursday the Twenty Second, about Ten my Uncle and Jack went to Boulby, I walked into the Ground with the Gun, and after dinner I went to Mr^s Chalonsers, to carry a Letter to Miss Maddison there, w^{ch} I got from her Father yesterday, I then went to M^r

Etherington's and drank Tea, in the evening, Tho^s Presswick and self went to the Cock where we spent the evening till after Twelve wth the Revnd M^r Hise, Doct^r Proddy M^r Jos Danby, M^r Husband and Oliver Presswick, retir'd to bed before one,

Friday the Twenty Third, I got up at Six and set forward to Boulby, wth Ja^s Bird for Staiths for Skins, I got to Boulby at Nine; this being a Pay day my Uncle laid last night at Jn^o Jeffersons at Staiths, and after dining at Boulby my Uncle and I returnd safe home, where we found W^m Stevens, a Boy that my Un: puts to Learn Navigation, Astronomy, &ca. the Roads were very slippery, having been Snow and hard frost for some days

Saturday the Twenty Forth, This being Christmas Eve the market was held instead of next Monday, I went up street twice or thrice, I drank Tea at Ol.^r Presswicks

Christmas Day Sunday the Twenty 5, I went to Church twice my Uncle did not go, as the weather is soft, w^{ch} makes the Causay Slippery having been a frost for two or three days last past.

Monday the Twenty Sixth, After dinner I went to Rich.^d Knaggs's lately married to Oliv.^e Presswicks Daugh^t Tibby, and drank Tea with theM

Tuesday the Twenty ~~Eigh~~Seventh, I had a Letter from Sis^r Dolly, I went to M^r Etherington's and drank Tea; after my Un: went to Bed at Eight, I went M^r Fox's where Miss Etherington's were, we stayd there till past Nine, then I went to M^r Etherington's, but him and his wife going to Bed, I sat with the young women.

Wednesday the Twenty Eighth, I settled Tho.^s Presswick's Books for this last year by my Uncle's orders, that is the books he keeps, on my Uncle's account in the evening ab.^t

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Seven I walked wth Thomey to Rich^d Knaggs, where we found Ol^r Presswick, Ja^s Bird and M^r Lincoln, we supt and sat till past Eleven, M^r Lincoln being ill of a cold went sooner,

Thursday the Twenty Ninth, In the forenoon my Uncle examined my acco^t of my expences since I came to him being a year Gone the 27th instant, see that day 1756, in Journal Lett. F and my Uncle gave Ten Guineas towards the next years disbursements, I read in the 6th vol: of Spectators and in Thompsons Travels through Asia &^c, &^c, to my Uncle in the evening - retired to bed before Ten.

Friday the Thirtieth, I walked down the Grounds and helped to get in a dess of the New Hay I walked down to M^r Fox's in the afternoon

Saturday the Thirty First ~~Day~~ and last Day of December and also of the Year 1757, About Nine I set forward for Boulby, and called at Grainge as I came home, the Wind S:E: and begun to Snow towards evening.

JANUARY 1758

Sunday the First, I went to Church forenoon and afternoon, my Uncle neithe^r W^m White from Grainge came in the morning and stayd till after dinner, having viewd the large Steer rising five years old, which came yesterday, he was Bred in Wensdale, by a Curious Gentleman there and made a present on with another Steer and 2 Cows, to one M^r Weddell between Rippon and Borrowbridge; the two Cows died, and the other Steer at this time wants a Cleugh and is a year younger, but was sold with this to a Neighbouring farmer thereab^{ts} of whom Tho.^s Hill, Butcher of Staiths bought him for 15 Guineas; he is a very fine Beast of a dark Red with some White, and has fine Horns;. when I came from Church in the afternoon I found Doct.^r Prddy, and James White, who lives near Pearsbridge, in the Bishoprick of Durham, he having come to Mrs Chaloners, and as he has some Good Steers to sell came down to offer my Uncle them, the Doct^r and him sat till near Eight; we drank three Bottles of Madeira wine; I called to see Ja^s Whites Beasts as I went from Richmond to West Auckland on Saturday the Sixth Aug.st last, (see that day in Journal Lett:^e F)

Monday the Second, W^m White came again this morning, and about ~~Th~~ Ten, set out wth Ja^s White (vid: yesterday) for the latters House to see the Steers and to buy 'em if they

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can agree, some Snow fell, towards even', the Air grew milder, W^m Stephenson the Clerk at Boulby dined here, Jos:p^h Ager sat an hour in the afternoon

Tuesday the Third, the Snow dissolves fast this morning some falling, in the afternoon about four o'Clock W^m White came home not having agreed wth Ja^s White vid:

yesterday and Sunday, he stays all night,

Wednesday the Fourth, I forgot to mention yesterday that W^m White bro^t me a Letter from Jn.^o Pease Jun^r of Darnton confirming his marriage wth Han:^a Haigh, (see the 19th ult. he also sent a large piece of Cake wth Gloves for my Uncle and self each a pai^r about 9 this morning W^m White drove away the Steer that came last Saturday (see Sunday) to Grainge, I went up street in the forenoon.

Thursday the Fifth, Old X^{mas} day, In the forenoon I walked to M^r Etherington's and sat two Hours, after dinner apo^{ry} Proddy came down, he having been sent for to Staiths at Eleven last night to go to Mrs Jefferson, she being ill, so my Uncle by M^r Jn.^o

Jefferson's request, sent for D^r Waine Physician of Stokesley; - my Uncle had the School Dame to dine, and then the Children that were to go out, came with their Parents, the Children read him, and he gave each 6.^d, they were Six in Number and he took in other Six in their Steads

Friday the Sixth, I got up at five and not till Eight Doct^r Waine (see yesterday) came, I rode to Staiths with him and Apothe:^{ry} Proddy, where we found Adam Boulby; Mrs Jefferson's better, her Disorder is an Inflammation on her Lungs attended with a Fever, both w^{ch} are abated since yesterday by Bleeding and perspiration, I came away before dinn^r wth Proddy but Waine stayd.,.

Saturday the Seventh, I read, and in the afternoon went up street, M^r W^m Jackson Sen. Gave me a Horse Foot Picker to ~~ride with~~ carry in the Pocket, in the evening M^r Jefferson's Boy came for Medicines his Mistress is better (see Thursday &^c.) Doct.^r Waugh Physician of Malton was sent for, and is comed to Staiths, him, Doc.^{tr} Waine, and Proddy stay all night; ab.^t Nine at Night, Proddy came home and down to our House.

Sunday the Eighth. I wrote to my Sis.^r Dolly and Broth Geo, Tho.^s Allen came for Medicines for Mrs Jefferson who's worse, this is a Silent Sunday

Monday the Ninth, In the morning M^r Wardell came to acquaint my Uncle that Cous. Elenor Mrs Jefferson died between Twelve and One o'Clock this morning, of a Fever and y.^e Gout at her Stomach see Thursday and Friday, She was 56 years old 8th of April last, my Uncle resolved that M^r Wardell should advise M^r Jefferson to Bury her at

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Hinderwell, as the Roads to Gisbr:o are so bad, he went away before dinner, my
Un:dined at the Cock at a meeting of the Justices on the high way Account, Tho.^s Allen
dined here having come for some Beef, I went up street twice or thrice,

Tuesday the Tenth, I rode to Staiths where I dined M^{rs} Pease got there today, I saw the
Corps of Cousⁿ Eleano^r Jefferson

Wednesday the Eleventh, this morning my Uncle got on his Boots, and was otherwise
dressd to go to the Funeral, but was so lame that he durst not venture to go, so at Eight
Fran^s Fox and self set forward, we called at Grainge, and saw the Sheep in the Fold, we
called at Boulby but M^r Wardell was gone down to Staiths, where we proceeded wth
Apothecary Proddy who overtook us, we, wth [word unreadable] Boulby &^c &^c dined at
the Cold Table, then M^{rs} Bateman and M^{rs} Fox put us our Silk Hatbands and Scarphs on,
and between two and Three the Corps was moved, carried on mens Shoulders out of the
Town, and then by hands to Hinderwell Church. after Service the Corps were bro^t out
and decently Interred on the S^o Side very near the Church, the Bearers were M^r Wardell,
M^r Fox, Sam^l Capion, Nath:^l Campion, Jn.^o Galilee, Paul Harrison Jun.^r Dan: Hart,
(substituted for M^r Sanderson who was abroad), and myself; M^r Fox and I returned to
Gisb^{ro} from Hinderwell, ~~Doctor~~ Apothe:^{ry} Proddy, (who with Doctor Waine walked
before the Corps) came down to our House after he came home, and supt.

Thursday the Twelfth, after dinner Doctor Waine who laid at y^e Rev^d M^r Tod's at
Hinderwell last night, called on my Uncle and drank a Bottle of Madeira; Tho^s
Presswick desird me to go with him to Jacob Longbottom's whose Son in Law was as
today give Thomey profitt for part of his Ship, but we sat to drink 3 Bowls of Punch and
no profitt was offerd.

Friday the Thirteenth, I walked with Thomey in the afternoon to his Ground that Ja.^s
Bird has, and called at M^r Fox's at the Factory as we returnd, after din^g I walked with
Thomey by Uncle's orders to the Freeliges Jn.^o Porrit now has, having observed the
doors of the House open as we walked that way in the morning, and this afternoon they
were the same and nobody about the Barn and Stable, I wrote to Mother and Broth Geo:
and drank Tea at M^r Etherington's

Saturday the Fourteenth, In the morning I set forward for Staiths where I breakfasted and
dined, I called at Grainge as I returnd but not at Boulby having seen M^r Holfield and M^r
Wardell at the Barns as I went in the morning.

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Sunday the Fifteenth, I went to Church twice, but my Uncle did not go at all much Rain fell last night and this forenoon. Wind N.E.

Monday the Sixteenth, in the morning I walked to Jn.^o Postgates, wth a Modell for a Leather Cup to drink out of, and carry in the Pocket, M^r Wardell dined in his road to Bishopbrig and young M^r Skotta, the Farmer dined, I wrote to my Mo^r by Ja.^s Bird who goes to Richm^d tomorroW

Tuesday the Seventeenth

I read much, in the evening I sat with M^r Fox at the Factory an hour, and my Uncle going to the Cock two Hours with the Commiss.^{rs} of the Excise, I sat an Hour at M^r Etherington's House

Wednesday the Eighteenth, I read much, Rob^t Thomas came in the morning and paid my Un: £30;10^s, his Bro^h John Thomas came before dinner and sat till two with us, my Uncle has bought a pig of him for £1.2^s.6^d, about 6 mo^s old.

Thursday the Nineteenth, I got up at five and rode to Staiths where I dined, M^r Jefferson returned with me, and I brought M^{rs} Fox behind me on my Uncle's Mair, she having been there ever since M^{rs} Jefferson ~~dined~~, after my Uncle and M^r Jefferson went to bed, at Nine, I walked to M^r W^m Jackson's the young man having a Son (John) Christened today, M^r Hale M^{rs} Chaloner &^c &^c, dined there and also supt, and sat till 12 ~~during~~ ~~which time~~ I sat (from Supper) till half past Three in the morning, wth M^r Danby, Chief Jn.^o Jackson; Capⁿ Longbottom, &^c &^c whom I left there past Three,

Friday the Twentieth, In the forenoon I walked up street, and in the afternoon I sat with M^r Fox at the Factory.

Saturday the Twenty first, ab^t Ten Nath:^l Campion came in order to accompany his Un: home but as he resolved to the contrary Nath: returned after dinner, and I drank Tea at M^r Etherington's, Tho^s went to Stoxley, Sunday the Twenty Second

I went to Church twice my Un: and M^r Jefferson staid at home, D.^r Proddy dined and after dinner M^r Preston Attorney came to make M^r Jeffersons will, and my Un. and him has planing it out for him these two days, M^r Preston laid here this night

Monday the Twenty Third, in the morning M^r Jefferson and I walked to the Factory to Fran: Fox, Nath: Campion and Jn.^o Galilee came from Staiths, they dined and returned with M^r Jefferson, M^r Preston also dined and executed M^r. Jefferson's will, I drank Tea at Richard Knaggs.

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Tuesday the Twenty Forth, I copied the Scheme w^{ch} was set on foot at Stocksley 17:th Dec.^r last and the subscribers names thereto, to raise a fund for prosecuting all Forstallers &^c &^c, and Rioters the Subscription amounts to £2064:10^s. my Uncle sent the Original to M^r W^m Turner of whom he got it yesterday when at the Cock after dinner; - I wrote to my Mo^r about her leaving Richmond, I had a Letter from Peter Dale in answer to mine wrote Friday the 9th Ult.^o: he does not agree to pay more than 3 £ see his Letter, I shewd it Jn.^o Martin when I walked down to M^r Fox.

Wednesday the Twenty Fifth. between Nine and Ten M^r. Jn.^o Pease his New Married Wife, and his Sis.^r Bell.^a came to our House from Yarm, this morning where stayd last night. they drank Tea and proceeded on their Journey to Whitby, I set them when the Top of Birk brow and a little within the Moor, I then returned to dinner with my Un:, M^r Hide came and sat till dark'ning and I copied an agreem^t between Jn.^o Johnson Carryageman and my Un: for the Grounds that Jn.^o Hawman and Jn.^o Porritt now have, and are going to leave.

Thursday the Twenty Sixth. I got up at five and rode to Boulby to attend the killing of two Oxen, one whereof was killed before my arrival, the other after, I walked to Staiths with Nath.^l Campion and laid at M^r. Jn.^o Jeffersons

Friday the Twenty Seventh, we walked up to Boulby ab^t Eight wth Jn.^o Galilee we got one of the Oxen M^r. Jefferson the other, see their weight, Tallow &ca, in a paper entitled Accot.^u of 2 Beasts weighed at Boulby the 27th Jan.^a 1758, the One of 'em (the Grey one) was crippled in his Back and legs when alive, w^{ch} W^m White attributes to a Blew lump about the Size of a Walnut upon one of his Kidneys, w^{ch} I bro.^t home to let my Uncle see, about One I rode down to Staiths to get M^r. Jackson Jun^r's company home we came away between 2 and 3, I got home after five Jack got home before with the Beef, Inwards &^c - that he came to Boulby for, my Uncle was going to the Cock as I came down street where he staid till nine, Tho^s was also at the Cock wth M^r Vipond of Stockton till Ten.

Saturday the Twenty Eighth, at Noon M^r Wardell came out of bishoprig and after dinner ~~returned~~ rode to Boulby, M^r Proddy dined here, Jn.^o Aysley sat most of the afternoon

Sunday the Twenty Ninth, my Un: is very lame this morning in his right foot I fear it's something of the Gout, so he did not go to Church but I did twice, and drank Tea at M^r Fox's who is not well in a severe Cold, Mr Pease of Darnton dined here in his rode there see Wednesday last.

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Monday the Thirtieth, I finished reading the 7th vol: Spectators being the last my Uncle has, and began Houghton's 3rd vol: of Husbandry and Trade, I went into the Market, and walked to Franc^s Fox See yesterday.

Tuesday the Thirty first and last Day, My Un: is pretty sound today see Sunday, I went into the School and gave the Children each a Book of appointed Prayers for the 17th next month a General Fast, I had a Lett^r from my Mother today by Post, in Answ^r to mine this day sen'night, but she does not think to leave Richm^d yet, as Friends at Lond^o are not consulted, and I wrote to her against tomorrow for M^r Pease Jun^r's Boy, and inclosed 2£ for Sis.^r Hannah that I borrowed of her, I borrowed this of Tho^s Presswick and gave him my receipt and Note on demand, I walked down the Ground and to Fran^s Fox's,

FEBRUARY 1758

Wednesday February y.^e First, about Eight I set forw^d to Whitby but called at Graing and Boulby, where I dined in my road, I arrived at four but did nothing among the Ships this evening.

Thursday the 2, after breakfast I walked out wth M^r Pease to some of the Ship owners, and visited the rest myself, in all Seven, Six of whom were on my Un: and M^r Spenser's Account, and one on my Uncle's own(viz..Sam Campion the Tryson 32), I walked upon the Peer, and to the Docks, and in the afternoon, I drank a Glass wth Sam^l Campion above, and Jn.^o Galilee of Whitby, the evening spent at M^r Pease's with his Son's Bride and his family, this day øf we heard of M^r Jn.^o Heath's assaulting M^r. Hen^{ty} Clark yesterday.

Friday the Third, before Ten I left Whitby, called at M^{rs} Beckwith's at Lythe Chief Own^{rs} of the Greyhound late Allely her former Husband, and dined at M^r Jn.^o Jefferson's of Staiths with Tho.^s Preswick who met me there, and with whom I returnd, calling at Boulby, and not at Grainge

Saturday the Fourth, I read and walked to M^r. Foxe's at the Factory, in the evening D^r Proddy and M^r Atkinson Schoolmaster at Kirkleatham came to examine my Un: 's Telescope, but 'twas too late to find the failing.

Sunday the Fifth. I went to Church twice my Un: once, W^m White from Graing, came in the morning and returneed in the evening.

Monday the Sixth, M^r Wardell came in the forenoon dined and rode to Stockton, I read in private, and to my Uncle in the evening finishing the two volumes of Thompson's Travels thro' Turkey, ~~the~~ Palestine or the Holy Land, and Egypt, I drank Tea at M^r Etherington's some Rain fell today Wind N: but changeable, I wrote to Jn.^o Galilee of Whitby, to tell him I could not venture with him in his new Ship the Four Brothers.

Tuesday the Seventh, In the forenoon I went to Geo: Sparnels and got some Nors and a Stick made,² and after dinner playd wth them, wth Ja.^s Bird and Jack; M^r Pease Jun.^r called in the forenoon in his road to Whitby he only drank Tea. I drank it at M^r Fox's in the afternoon, and in the even' went wth Tho.^s Preswick to Rich:^d Knagg's to whom and his Moth he lent £30 to pay in part for a Ship that Rich.^d has bo^t the other day.

Wednesday the Eighth, M^r Wardell returnd from viewing the Rev.^{md} M^r Hides Estate in Bishopbrig, see Monday last, he dined and returnd about four to Boulby, I walked down the Ground where Jack and Duke Blenkoe are Gripping in y^e Meadow Fields, Tho^s went to Staiths and returnd.

Thursday the Ninth, I walked up town and down to Mr Fox's, and into the Grounds, see yesterday, I read much, finishing Houghton's 3:rd vol: on Husbandry and Trade, and began to read Adm^l Vernon's Letters borrowed of M^r. Wardell

Friday the Tenth, in the morning I went down to the Fold Garth with my Un: Thomey and Jack, when we first began to give two Fluck Rotten Sheep a medicine of my Uncles own composing, if it prove an effectual Cure I will insert it hereafter in this Book Note, the Sheep have been kept since Tuesday morning on Corn and Hay without water in the House, I had a Letter from Sis: D.^o to day from Yarm where she now is, which I answered giving her notice of my being to fetch her on Monday, in the evening we applied the above Medicine to y.^e Sheep

Saturday the Eleventh, I read much in Adm^l Vernon's Letters. Doctor Proddy spent the evening till nine having supt, I went into W^m Reeds, to recieve the Heads of the Agreements between him and his Son Ralph, and Rich^d Knaggs, which are, that Ralph is to serve Knaggs Six years, for w^{ch} Knaggs is to give him 28£ viz, Four Pounds each year for the three first years, five Pounds for the two following and Six Pounds for the last, see tomorrow

Sunday the Twelfth. I filled up the Indentures to the purpose of yesterday and dated it as tomorrow the 13th of February 1758, Gave the Sheep that Medicine (see last Friday, but

² for the game of Spell and Nors. . .

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as I keep particular Notices of their Regimen, times of giving Medicines &^c &^c in a separate Paper, shall differ noticing any more ab^t them in this Book till a change by Cure or Death; the Wind has blown very hard to day from South West, and in the evening from W

Monday the Thirteenth, I got up at five and rode to Yarm for Sis. Dolly see last Friday, after we had dined at M^r Forster's (who himself was at N.^oallerton Fair) we set out for, and arrivd at Gisb^{ro} at five, we mentiond to my Uncle, my Mother's going to London with Jn.^o Pease Jun.^r his and Sis^r but objected to her going so soon as then (ab.^t a fortnight and till the middle of the next month, and said he supposd there was a necessity for her going on Sis.^r Wilson'd Account, who reckons till May, otherwise her family at home requires her presence, Broth Wilson took leave of his wife about a week since, and I saw by last Post's Papers had got to Portsmouth.

Tuesday the Fourteenth; about Eleven Sister Dolly and self walked to M^{rs} Chaloners to see Miss Maddison who is there now, we stayd half an hour and before dinner I went in to W^m Reeds and was witness to his Son Ra:'s Indenture executed today, but dated yesterday, see Sunday, we stayd in the House in the afternoon.

Wednesday the Fifteenth, In the forenoon Miss Maddison (see yesterday came and sat with Sis.^r Dolly an hour, about 3 o'Clock M^r Jn.^o Pease Jun.^r with his wife only came from Whitby, his Father and Sister comes next week.

Thursday the Sixteenth, ~~In the~~ at Eleven (after we had breakfasted and dined) M^r Jn.^o Pease Jun.^r carried his wife and I my Sis. Dolly behind us, to Yarm we stopt at Stainton an hour to dry us as much Snow fell, M^r Pease and wife did not call at Yarm but Proceeded to Darn'ton, I stopd ab.^t an hour and then returnd ab.^t Seven,

Friday the Seventeenth, being appointed by the Government to be observd as a Solemn Fast and to implore Gods Protection and Assistance in this war wth France, I went to Church twice my Uncle once, we drank each a Bason of Balm Tea in the morning, and dined after evening Service (at four) on Salt Fish and Potatoes, I supt on Milk and Bread Saturday the Eighteenth, at Seven I set out for Boulby, dined with M^r Wardell and one Jn.^o Jackson who overtook me as I went, in his rode from beside Sedgfield to take one of M^r Baker's farms there of M^r Wardell, I stopt a Grainge an hour on my return

Sunday the Nineteenth, In the morning I found myself not well in a pain in my head, so I did not go to Church, nor my Uncle, but read at home some Snow fell on Friday night, and it froze hard last night, but this evening it gives again (or thaws)

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Monday the Twentieth, last night has been Stormey the Wind S.W, wth Snow, I am better this morning than yesterday I finished reading Vernon's Letters began the Ninth inst.^t, after dinner I walked up street and went to the Cock to D^r Proddy and Jn.^o

Husband, M^r Smith of Mask came in and M^r Forste^r I only sat till Six, and came down, after my Uncle went to bed I walked up street with Tho^s Preswick, he to M^{rs} Lincoln's and I to M^r Jackson's where I supt with W^m Cornforth, Jn.^o Husband, and young M^r Jackson and drank till Twelve, then came down street wth W^m Cornforth and went directly to bed. some Rain fell to day and the thaw is pretty quick, but on Tuesday the Twenty First, in the morning is a hard frost, about a fortnight since Col.^l W^m Gansell gave my Uncle the weight of two Oxen that were killed at London, after they had been publickly made a Show oF for a year, the wieght of the Red Ox of the Bladdars make was 137^{sto} 10^{lbs}, Beef, 17^{sto}:4^{lbs} Talo.^w and 9^{sto}.6^{lbs} Hide Red and White Ox_ 126.6 D^o.18.2 D^o and 11.4 D^o In the afternoon W^m Stevens the Boy near Stoxley came and dined, M^r Pease Jun^r's Boy also came in his road to Whitby, I wrote a few lines to M^r Pease Sen^r by him, I walked down to Fran^s Fox's a little.

Wednesday the Twenty Second, at Seven I set forward to Grainge where I found M^r Wardell and stayd an hour, I rode on to Staiths, we having overtaken M^r Lashels and Mich. Smith, going to run a Hair and dine with M^r Wardell, after I dined with M^r. Jn.^o Jefferson, as I returnd I met a Boy who informd me of Cousⁿ Jn.^o Pease and his Daugh^t Bell^a's being at Grainge, on which I posted forward and catchd 'em at Tea at W^m

White's, after we had done, I mounted young M^r Jn.^o Peases Horse, and Cousⁿ Bell^a behind me, the Boy on my Mair, we arrived at Gisbr^o before five, they stayd all night Thursday the Twenty Third, I wrote to my Mother by M^r Pease and Cousⁿ Bell^a who after breakfasting set out before Ten for Dar'nton, I set them to Forster Howl; after dinner I went in to the low Ground with Tho^s Jack and Alexⁿ when we got the young Cade and my Bro^{ths} Colt (rising two) with some difficulty, Cousⁿ Beth Ward I saw by last Post's Papers ~~was~~ had been married to Capt.ⁿ Fisher of the Drake Indiaman, a few days before, M^r Antho: Jefferson's 2 year old Child - Eleanor, was buried yesterday, I helped to pack up two Hams for Cousⁿ Tho.^s Spencer, One D^o for Rob^t Core, One D^o and a piece of Bee^efeef for Hen^{ry} Potts Esq.^u in the General Post Office, and a piece of Beef for Un: Jos:^a all dried

Friday the Twenty Fourth, I read before dinner, after it, I walked to Fran.^s Fox's; Jack went to Grainge and carried, see yesterday, to go by the Darling but she's gone,

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Saturday the Twenty Fifth, I got up before Four, took Horse at half an hour after, and rode to Grainge, from thence to Boulby, to ask M^r Wardell if the Darling was gone into Whitby, if so, that Wm White might carry the Beef &^c (see yesterday and the day before) there, but she sailed quite away, so I returned before dinner, and after I had read I went to M^{rs} Licoln's wth Thomey and drank Tea, I wrote to M^{rs} Pease from Boulby
Sunday the Twenty Sixth, I went to Church twice, my Un: Once, some Rain fell last night, but fair all day till Evening again; the Wind S:W, none towards Even.

Monday the Twenty Seventh, In the forenoon Nath^l Campion called (but only stayd $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour) in his road to shields to Rigg out the Tho^s and Rich^d for Coopenhagen wth Coals and so proceed to Riga, after dinner I walked to D^r Prddys and drank part of a Bottle of wine wth M^r Laschelles and M^r Mich.^l Smith, I drank Tea at Oliv^r Presswicks and filled up an Indenture between Rich^d Knaggs and Robert Pulman (Broth to Alexⁿ Pulman,) bearing date today, to continue for three years, the former engaging in consideration of such service to pay the latter £31.10^s. at 3 several payments, and 1^s.6^d for every week the Ship shall be laid by, or rather when he is at home.

Tuesday the Twenty Eighth and last Day, ab^t Eight I set out, when I got to Skelton Ellers I met with Mich^l Smith planting an Hedg there, from Upleatham bridg end to this hither bridg, w^{ch} is the first Hedg for sheering out that place, I rode with him to his House at Marsk where we breakfasted, I then proceeded on the Sands to Brotten, near w^{ch} place we met with M^r Laschelles and his Hounds, and M^r Wardell whom I wanted to speak to, after I stayd the Death of the Hare I left them and several others, and returned home, I had a Lett^{er} from Moth

MARCH 1758

Wednesday the First, I helped to get in a little Hay and finished reading M^r. Jn.^o Thorley's Female Monarchy, or ~~an~~ his Account of the Nature &^c &^c of Bees.

Thursday the Second, in the forenoon I walked upstreet, we dind before Twelve and soon after my Uncle rode to M^r Scottowe's of Aton, and returned before Six some heavy Rain Showers Wind at South.

Friday the Third, I wrote to my Mother and Bro.^h Geo:, after dinner I went with Jack to Ruthergate and cut some Pease Rods.

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Saturday the Fourth, Jack went to Grainge to carry the old Bay Mair to assit them in their plowing, so I waterd my Bro.^{hs} coming 2 year old Colt, and young Cade, and rode out my Young Mair, which has had 2 drinks given her for the Forms [?], M^r. Hide sat two Hours in the afternoon, in the evening the Wind blew desperately at S: S: W, Geo: Deighton near York 81 years old came and stayd all night.

Sunday the Fifth, W^m White came in the morning, I wrote to M^r. W^m Allen to advise him not to expect the 100£ he requested of my Un: see the 2.nd Dec.^r last, tho in a Letter to him the 9th Dec.^r: giving him in some measure assurance of it, by my Uncle's directions, but not till the latter end of April next, w^{ch} now he will not agree to lend it, even then, I went to Church twice but my Uncle and M^r. Dighton (see yesterday) not once.

Monday the Sixth, I went up street once, Corn i.e: Wheat 4^s : 8.^d p.Bushell, Barley 3^s, Clean beans 3^s 6^d, and Blending at 3^s: 2^d p.Bushel, M^r Dighton (see Saturday) Cleand some of the Guns, being originally a White, and Gunsmith, M^r Preston dined, I wrote to M^{rs} Pease against tomorrow

Tuesday the Seventh, I walked to M^r. Foxe's and stayd the remaining part of the day by old Geo: Dighton cleaning the Guns and their Locks, (see Saturday last)

Wednesday the Eighth, I got up early and rode to Grainge, my Un: had but an indifferent night or he designd to go there to meet Tho.^s Hill of Seaton Hall near Staiths and his Cous.ⁿ Tho.^s Hill of Barnby Butcher's who did not come to Grainge till towards

Twelve o'Clock, when M^r. Wardell came with 'em, but they did not stay, for on my telling them that my Uncle was determind to sell the 4 fat Oxen and 2 Queys altogether, they mounted their Horses, and I rode with them to Boulby, where, when hearing M^r Jefferson was taken ill last night, M^r. Wardell and I walked down to Staiths, we dined with M^r. Jefferson, who is better, and I got home after Seven, when my Un: went to bed old Dighton (see last Saturday) Tho.^s and self wth Jack and Alex.ⁿ sat up till past Eleven.

Thursday the Ninth, M^r.Cookson of Shields sent for me to the Cock last night, but let going be, till this morning, but Tho.^s and I went thrice I did not see him, for he was in bed, M^r. Boulby called an hour in his road from Newcastle to Whitby, old Geo Dighton (see last Saturday) went away, Tho.^s and I dined at Ja.^s Bird's he having a Boy (Oliv^r) Chriten'd today, we sat till past five, Alex.ⁿ Pulman the Smith put the Mouthing Bridle in young Cade (A Bay Filly) yesterday and today,

Friday the Tenth, my Un: is not very well, having a purging, but as D.^r Proddy says it only proceeds from my Un:^s having eaten some Oysters, am in hopes it will go off, I

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finishd the 8th and last vol: of the Spectators which I borrowd of M^r Proddy, I walked to Frank: Fox's in the afternoon, my Un: is bett.^r towards even'

Saturday the Eleventh, After my Un: came down stairs, he said he was not ~~very~~ so well as yesterday which occasiond me to hesitate on my going to Richmond to day, but as he gave consent, I set forward about Eight, called at Yarm, and Dar'nton and reachd ~~Gisb~~ Richmond in the evening.

Tuesday the Fourteenth. After dinner I rode to West Auckland, and on Wednesday the Fifteenth M^r. James rode with me to Bishop Auckland we went by M^r. Jackson's Farm, that he has of my Un; I receivd £11.10. of Miss A: Dunn for a half year's Rent for the House She lives in, and some Ground belonging thereto due, at Martinmas 1756, We returnd to West Auckland to dinner after seeing ~~the~~ Bishops Trevor's Palace at B-p Auckland, w^{ch} was a repairing and curiously plastering by the Noted Carteezi, on Thursday morning the Sixteenth, I left M^r. James's and returnd to Richm^d

Sunday the Nineteenth, after dinn.^r I rode to Kirby Hill, and M^{rs} Stubbs engaged to go to London in the Post Chaise with my Mo.^r and Niece Pally, I rode from there to M^r Simpson's at Ravensworth and drank Tea, Miss Hodgson of Field House was there.

Monday the Twentieth, I rode to Catterick bridge and took Land.^l Burn's Post Chaise to Borroughbridg ag:st tomorrow,

Tuesday the Twenty First, M^r. James from West Auckland came in the forenoon, and before two my Mother, Niece Pally and M^{rs} Stubbs (see Sunday) got into the Chaise, and M^r. James ~~rode~~ mounted his Horse, all for London where they all arrived on Saturday following at Noon, they were overturnd ~~at~~ near Newark but receivd no considerable Hurt, it was M^r. James's choice to ride on Horseback I set ~~Tha~~ my Mother to Catterick bridg only, my mair having fallen lame on my return on Thursday from West Auckland Thursday the twenty Third, my Sis. Dolly, Cous.ⁿ Patty Reed and self rode to M^r.

Simpson's (see Sunday last) we dined &^c and return'd in the evening

Sunday the Twenty Sixth, after dinner I rode to Dar'nton with M^r. Tho.^s Wilkinson of Oliver, we called at M^r. Hodgson's of Field House, I drank Tea and left M^r. Wilkinson to lay all night, I persued my Journey to M^{rs} Stephenson's, where I spent the evening with old M^r. Pease (his Son Jn.^o and his wife not being returnd from London) and M^r Calvert a Traveller and Son to a Vinegar Merch.^t in London, and laid all night there.

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Monday the Twenty Seventh I breakfasted and dined with M^r. Pease and after dinner returned to Richmond, this being Easter Monday was a great Fair, but Will: White was not at it, Lean Beasts sold extraordinary, Fat not badly.

Thursday the Thirtyeth, after dinner Sis.^r Dolly, Cous.ⁿ Patty and M^r. W^m Allen walked to and drank Tea at Oliver, M^{rs} Simpson of Ravensworth and Miss Hodgson being there, there was an assembly at Richmond at night. I gardend much, as Digging Sowing Pease and Beans, and Potatoes, &^c, my Mair's disorder growing worse, so as to be judgd the Tarey rather than the Grease for which she had been tapped in the Belly, ~~on~~ I resolve to leave her and

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[diary neglected during his week in Richmond]

on Friday April the Seventh, I left my Mair at Richmond, w^{ch} place I left about Ten upon a hird Horse, called at Yarm, and reachd Gisb^{ro} before first light, where Rich.^d Holder was arrivd before me in order to carry the Horse back to Richm^d, w^{ch} he did on

Saturday the Eighth, I walkd up street, and regulated what my Month's absence had put out of Course as ~~writing in~~ this Book, &^c, &^c M^r. Wardell called about five o'Clock in his rode from Bishopbrig to Boulby

Sunday the Ninth, being a silent Sunday, I read and walked out, I had a Letter from my Mo.^r from Greenw:^{ch} complaining of Mall: Poskit's behaviour, I answerd it by return.

Monday the Tenth, ab.^t Ten I rode to Grainge wth Tho.^s Dale of Thornton Butcher to look at some Sheep, while he was doing which I rode to Boulby, but did not stop as M^r. Wardell was gone to Easington to pay his Tythes, Tho.^s Dale and W^m White did not agree for price so we returned and my Un: agreed to let him have 6. Ewes and 6 Weathers for £1: 10^s but to return 5 shill.^s again of the whole. I went to M^r Preston and told him of my Mother's affair ~~with the park~~ Croft at Richmond, and sat till near Eight wth Jn.^o Jackson and the Rev.^d M^r Husband up street,

Tuesday the Eleventh, I begun to read the 7: Volumes of the Hist: of Clar: Harlowe, with the 7th: Vol: I wrote to sister Dolly.

Wednesday the Twelfth, I finishd the 1st: Vol: of Cl: Harlowe, after dinner my Un: rode to Coadgate Fleet and Tho.^s Natby with him to look at some Timber and Deals of Ol: Preswick's which he proposes to dispose on together, and give up that Business, they returned before Seven.

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Thursday the Thirteenth, I begun a Ledger, and wrote several Recepes for Horses in a Book I made for my own use. I drank Tea in the afternoon with Tho.^s Preswick at M^{rs} Lincoln's; at night I wrote to my Bro. against tomorrow's post, on Jack's Acco.^t to desire his Bro.^r Franc.^s will and Power may be conveyd here, by my Bro.^h's interposition Friday the Fourteenth, Geo: Meuburn Butcher of Ormsby called and I mounted wth him at Seven and rose to Grainge where he lookt at some Fat Sheep, he returnd to Gisb^{ro} but I rode to Boulby where I dined wth M^r. Wardell M^r. Jefferson being gone to Whitby, Miss Boulby being married yesterday to D.^r Askew's youngest Son (of Newcastle), M^r. Wardell and I came on to Brotton together, young Cade being under W^m Childs care there. we stayd at Rich:^d Stevenson's till Six. Geo: Meuburn bought 11 Sheep of my Un: at Gisb^{ro} for 42 shillings a piece

Saturday the Fifteenth, I begun the 2nd. Vol: of Clar: Harlowe, see Wednesday. I walked

to Fran: Fox at the Factory before dinner, and after, to M^r Etheringtons for half an hou^r

Sunday the Sixteenth, my Un. went to Church once, I twice, Jos.^p Agar dined with us, I had a Letter from Sis.^r Dolly, I wrote to W^m Allen Jun.^r from whom my un: had a Lett.^r today, by whose orders I appointed to meet him at Yarm tomorrow fortnight May the 1st: with 60£ and the remainder of 100£ he may have in 6 weeks or two Months after that time, see this affair briefly translated by Letters, (and my postive refusal by my Un:^s orders when last at Richmond) (I say) see the 2nd Nov.^r last: also the 9th Dec.^r: and the 5th Mar: I finished the 2nd Volume of Clarissa Harlowe, see yesterday, I also read a Sermon to my self.

Monday the Seventeenth, at Six o'Clock I mounted and rode to Grainge. Hen.^{ry}

Meuburn Butcher of Sunderland, his Bro.^r George, and his Bro.^r in Law, M^r Robson

Jun.^r of Ellerton near Richmond, whose Sis.^r was married last week to Henry, the above met me, and after they had looked at the 6 Fat Cattle, and conveniences of every sort, we came to Gisb^{ro}, and called at Brotton and saw the Filly, Cade, w^{ch} ~~has~~ is now under W^m Child's care, having got a Tread on the inside of her near fore foot, which, upon searching into has splinterd a piece of Bone off the Coffin Bone, but as he has got that piece out, I'm in hopes she will be Sound, tho' a blemish will always, appear, the above Meuburns and Robson dind with us, but Hen.^{ry} did not buy the Beasts, my Un: asking 126£ but fell to 122£ and Meuburn did only 104, so they parted, I drank with Meuburn's &^c at the Cock after dinn^r then they came down here and took Horse

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Tuesday the Eighteenth, at Eight I mounted and rode to Grainge, part of the way wth W^m Lincoln of this Town, and Robert Errington and son of Mask, who lookt at half a Score Fat Sheerings but could not agree about the price. Will: stood at 44 Shill.^s a piece and they at 2 Guineas a piece. they'll weigh about 30lbs a Quarter, I came to dinner and found Rob.^t Allen (Tho.^s Allen's Bro.^f) and W^m Stevens (the Boy) at it with my Un: they went away in the afternoon, and I wrote to Sister Dolly in answ:^r to her's on Sunday Wednesday the Nineteenth, W^m Lincoln and Rob.^t Errington came to my Un: and bought the Sheep (see yesterday) for 44^s a piece and they are to be in my Uncle's will, that is, if they've too hard a bargain after they are killed, my Uncle is to return them something, I went into the School, after dinner I rode to Grainge upon the black Mair that my Un: bought of M^{rs} Lincoln yesterday for 9 Guineas, half a crown again. I called at Brotton as I came home to see the Filly, Cade, which mends.

Thursday the Twentieth, Between five and six my Un: and Tho.^s Preswick mounted for Stockton to mett M^r. Baker and M^r. Lambton of Biddick, I coppeid the Grainge Accounts from June 1754 to last end of last year 1757, - and took a walk with Jack to the Quarry at the Top of Spring wood, where Nich.^l Patten Mason is baring the Stones for M^{rs} Chalonsers fore Hall Flaggs, about Eight I walked up street and bro^t Jn.^o Husband down with me who sat till between 11 and 12.

Friday the Twenty First. I begun to read the 3rd vol of Clar: Harlowe, see Sunday, about One my Un: and Tho.^s returnd from Stockton

Saturday the Twenty Second, ab.^t Seven my Un. and Tho.^s rode to M^r. Scottow's of Aton and returnd before dinner, W^m Lincoln Butcher killed the Ewe that Cous.ⁿ Ra: Ward sent my Un: from Riga two or three years ago, w^{ch} has had two lambs and this winter has been fed, she had but little Tallow, but on the Tail head, had lumps of Fats on each side of 2, or 3 Pounds weight, my Un: sent M^{rs} Chaloner a Hinder quarter, 14lbs, who invited my Un: and I to dine with her tomorrow w^{ch} my Uncle has agreed to, Tho.^s and I bottled off 10 Gallons and a ½ of Gin that's come from London, this day has been remarkably fine and warm, ab.^t three weeks ago we had fine dry weather, but since, have had cold and dry weather, till within three days we have had much Rain, the Spring is not forward.

Sunday the Twenty Third, is a fine day the Wind out of the Sea as it has been for some time. I wrote to my Sis.^r Dolly, my Uncle had a Letter from my Mo.^r from Greenwich, my Un: and I were only at Church in the forenoon, from whence we went wth M^{rs}

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Chaloner, and her two Eldest Daught.^{rs} into her Garden, (see yesterday) and from Thence into the House where we dined, M^r. Hide came to us as we sat down to it, and stayd till near Four, the young Ladys, viz: Nancy and Pally (the 2 Eldest) playd upon thir organ, and Sung to it some of the reading Psalms, set to Museek, I finished the 3rd: vol of Cla. Harlowe, see Friday

Monday the Twenty Fourth, at Six I mounted, rode to Grainge, Boulby, and to Staiths where I breakfasted with M^r Jn.^o Jefferson, blind Ra: Jackson being there, I returnd to dinner and came by Brottn, I walked up street drank a Glass of Wine wth Mich: Smith of Mask, in the evening drank some Punch wth M^r Forster, Jn.^o Husband, Tho.^s Preswick, and W^m Colthirst till past Eight.

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth, I begun the 4th vol: of Cla: Harlowe see Sunday, in the forenoon M^r. W^m Hill came, and M^r. Tho^s Wayne late of the Armeys and M^r Lawson came with him, to pay Purchase Money to my Un: of Estates they have bou.^t of Tho.^s Scottow Esq.^r w^{ch} my Uncle had in Mortgage wth other Estates, the former paid 1063£ in part of 1890£, the latter paid 700£ in part of his Purchase, my Mair was bro.^t today from Richm^d see Thursday and Friday the last Ultio: and the 7th inst.^a of this Book, I wrote to my Mothe^r

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth, at Six I set out for Stockton with 100£ w^{ch} I left M^r. Tho^s Elliott and took M^r W^m Allen's Bond which he left with M^r Elliot, see Sunday the 16th inst.^a. I came from Stockton at Eleven

Thursday the Twenty Seventh, I read and after dinner Jack and I cleand a Gun Cock the weather is Rainy and Thick wth a N. N. E, Wind

Friday the Twenty Eighth, the weather as yesterday as yesterday, Jack and I begun to clean the Pistols in this Gun Closet, and did half of them, we take off and clean the Locks.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth, Jack and I continued to clean and finishd the Pistols see yesterday, my Un. and Thom^s went to Stoxley in the morning but returnd to dinner, the Rev.nd M^r Husband sat till past nine with my Uncle.

Sunday the Thirtieth and last Day. I went to Church twice but my Uncle not once. I finishd the 4th vol of Cl: Harlowe see last Tuesday, I drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincoln's with Tho.^s. I had a Lett.^e from Mo:^h on Friday

MAY 1758

Monday the First, about Seven I set out for Boulby and calld at Brotton in my road to see the Filly (Cade) w^{ch} is almost well of the hurt she got in her foot, but last night was near being hangd in the halter, I called at Grainge and dined wth M^r Wardell, M^r and M^{rs} Holfiels being there. I returnd at Six.

Tuesday the Second, This being a Fair day, W^m White came but did not buy any Beasts tho' there was several æt in the Market. M^r Wardell dined in his road into Bishopbrig, Rich.^d Smith (L.rd Down's Gamekeeper) paid my Un: £500 in Cash and a 100£ Bill being in all 600£ on M^r Geo: Duck's Acco.^t of the Estate he bo.^t of M^r Skottowe, in the afternoon I drank a Glass wth M^r. Forster, T. Preswick and his Nepw Chris.^r Preswick of Whitby till Seven, when I came down, after Eight my Un. went to bed and I walked up street again, Thomey his Nep.^w Chris.^r and I went to M^{rs} Peggy Lincolns, where we drank punch till Thomey was much in Liquor, being 12 o'Clock when we got home.

Wednesday the Third, at Eleven my Un: and I having got our dinners rode to Jn.^o Thomas's, who joind us and rode with us to view an Estate of his that joins to one of my Uncle's now Tenanted by W^m Rogers, Jn.^o Thomas would sell his, it contains 23 Acres, some Roods, and has been let last year for 14£, we returnd at four, Jn.^o is to come to my Un: next Tuesday to talk ab.^t the purchase, he owes my Uncle 100£, in the evening D^r Proddy came down and drank a Glass with my Uncle.

Thursday the Fourth, at Six Tho^s Preswick set out to Yarm Fair by Himself, this being the first time my Un: has not gone to a Fair for many years at Yarm; at Ten I took a ride on my Mair (Sorrelld one) to my Uncle's three leasd Fields at Long Hall, where Jack and Ja.^s Day are leading Stones too, to build a Cow House with, for Jn.^o Johnson the present incoming Tennant; I drank Tea with Young M^r W^m Jackson and walked with him to see Ten Acres of Ground he has took of Rob^t Corney for 11 Pounds p.ann:

Friday the Fifth, after dinner I took a ride to the Quarry at the top of Spring Wood and to the fields, see yesterday: I had a Letter from my Mother dated Greenwich May 2 inst. giving me advice that about Nine o'Clock that morning, my Sis.^r Ra: Willson was safely deliverd of Two Daughters, and was in a hopefull way of recovery.

Saturday the Sixth. In the morning I set out for Staiths and called at Grainge as I went and came, I dined at M^r Jn.^o Jefferson's and called at Brotton on my return

Sunday the Seventh. my Un: went to Church Once, I twice, Antho: Jefferson came before dinner to ask my Un: to take a part with him in a New Ship he has just now built

of 22 Keels of Coals, but my Uncle refused; his Sloop Midsummer has also run down a Scarb^{ro} old Pinck³, which affair my Un: advises Anth.^o to comprmise. I finishd the 5th vol: of Cla: Harlowe, see Sunday last and begun the 6th vol:

Monday the Eighth, M^r. Preston Sen.^r attorney and W^m Rogers my Uncle's Tennant at Emlington dined, after dinner I drank part a Bowl of Punch wth M^r Preston Jun^r Attorney of Stoxley his Fa^r being at M^r Hides, in the evening M^r. Geo: Deighton of London sent for me to the Cock where I staid wth him till past One, M^r. W^m Jackson Jun.^r M^r. W^m Lawson attorney and M^r Geo. Pierson being wth us, he now is in hopes of going into Partnership with his Bro.^h Robert, for whom he travels this Journey, M^r. Lawson told me he has this day taken possession of M^r Moors Estate at Lofthouse for the Comp.^a of the Sun Fire office, M^r. Hall of Skelton had on Friday advice of his Eldest Son's death, who was a hopefull young man, and an officer in the Guards.

Tuesday the Ninth, I went to the Cock after Six and called Geo: Deighton up, he breakfasted with my Uncle and I and I rode with him beyond Upsil on his going away, before dinner, this Post bro.^t my Uncle advice of my Uncle Josua's being dangerously ill, and that Col^o or rather Capⁿ Gancell is advanced to a Company in the Guards upon the resignation of the present Earl of Darnton, Jn.^o Thomas came in the even^g about his Estate see Wednesday the 3rd: Inst, but they did not agree.

Wednesday the Tenth, at Ten I set forward to Grainge, called at Brotton and went down to Staiths only half an hour, dining nowhere, W^m White guelded the 17 Tup Lambs in an eligible manner, by cutting two nichs in the Cod near the two Stones, then thrust out the Stone a little, when with a Sharp knife he slit the outer Skin of it, and slipt the stone out till he coud get hold of the bare Stone and then pulled it ~~all~~ away, and Tarred the slits in the Cod, This does not, it's supposed put the Lamb to so much pain as the common way, that is, cutting the Cod end off and taking hold of the Stones with the Teeth and when the Lamb is grown to a Fat Sheep, ~~and~~ handles better in the Cod. I finished the 6th: vol: of Cla: Harlowe see Sunday

Thursday the Eleventh. In the forenoon we bottled off a 6 Gallⁿ Cask of Cyder that came from Lond^o in the Darling last voy:^a I drest some sticks after dinner, and helped to take in some deals that my Un: has bo.^h of Ol^r Preswick. I begun the 7th and last vol: of Cla: Harlowe in the evening, see yesterday, and retird to bed before 11.

³ a pink is a small sailing ship, probably a fishing boat

Friday the Twelfth, at Nine Jack came from Etherly Pitts with Coals having been gone since Wednesday noon, I had a Letter from my Mother, and so had my Un: she tells him that my Un: Jas:^a is in great danger his disorder being a violent Pluricy, I wrote to my Mother, and ab.^t Nine in the evening I went wth Tho^s to M^{rs} Lincoln's where was M^r Forster and W^m Colthirt we sat till near Eleven.

Saturday the Thirteenth, at Seven my Un: and Tho^s set out to Stoxley and returned at Seven in the evening but my Un: was not very well, I dressed some stick Heads which Jack and I cut see Octo. 31st of this book.

WitSunday the Fourteenth, In the morning M^r Proddy bled my Un: having had a bad night the last and not being bled this Spring as he used to be, and being very costive. I went to Church twice, after dinner took a walk wth Jn.^o Husband and W^m Jackson Jun^r to the former's field near M^r Proddy's barn, w^{ch} last Gent^m (Proddy) came to see my Un: after evening Prayer, but being laid down for two Hours in w^{ch} time he got a comfortable Sleep, he drank some Cyder and Brandy wth me down stairs and M^r. Forster, who both sat till my Uncle got out of bed and then both went away, I had a Letter from Sis.^r Do'y today.

Monday the Fifteenth, after 12 o'Clock at midnight Jack went to M^r Burden's Cachow Pitts [?] for Coals wth Chris^r Day, my Un: is better this morning, I finishd reading the 7th and last vol: of Clar: Harlowe begun on Thursday having read the preceeding 6 vol.^s beginning with the first on Tuesday the 11th Ultō:, my Un: dined upstreet with the Justices of the Peace they having a meeting today, Jn.^o Price Sen^r and Son Sam^l came and laid all night in their road to Saltburn where the former has bo^t some oak wood, Tuesday the Sixteenth, this being a Fair day (as witsuntuesday) we had some hornd Cattle in the Markett, tho' but few, Jn.^o Price and Son proceed. Cous.ⁿ Will.^m Pease dined in his road from Dar'nton to Whitbay, M^r. Preston and M^r Matthews both Stoxley attorneys dined wth Jn.^o Rowntree's Son. I walkd to the Factory to Fran.^c Fox, and returned to his house the back way wth himself his wife and Misses Etherington. I begun the day to read T: Smollett : M:D:^s History of England to the year 1748, which is now coming out in Numbers.

Wednesday the Seventeenth, at Nine I mounted my Uncles Mair and rode as far as Scaling upon the Moor towards Whitby, where I met Doctor Askew Jun^r his Lady (late Miss Do: Boulby) his Sis^r Askew, M^r Ad^m Boulby, M^r Jn.^o Boulby Shields, his wife, and a young Girl with them in their rode to Newcastle, the two former having been married

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ab^t a month since, and are now going home, I returnd with them, having obtained my Errand, w^{ch} was their Comp^a to dine, which they did, and proceeded for Stockton to night at five

Thursday, I read as on Tuesday

Friday the Nineteenth, at Six I mounted and rode to Thirsk to dinner, calling at Bessy Bells for a Bait, M^{rs} Butterwick and Miss Wright with her was at Cousⁿ Pybusses, in the evening I rode to Peter Dale's two Miles beyond Thirsk, and received 5£ of him, for which I gave him my Receipt for my Mother, in full of all demands, he woud have paid but 3£ but his wife on my proposing 5. tho.^t the affair had better be ended so, for my Fa^r lent Peter's Father 20£, but he faild and paid my Fa.^r Eight £ and 3 in 1756, so that Nine Pound remaind, but having no Evidence of any sort and the Debt of about 40 years standing, I agreed to take the above 5£. I laid at my Cous.ⁿ Pybusses and on

Saturday the Twentieth I came away and dined at Stoxley at M^r Matthews's, being the Trinity Fairday there, I returnd to Gisb^{ro} about 5

Sunday the Twenty First, being a silent Sunday I read at home, and wrote to Cousⁿ Pybusses and Sis.^r Dolly to congratulate them on my Brother George's advancement, which he advised my Uncle of by last Post, having got the Secretary to the Comm^{ers} of his Majesties Navy's place. W^m White came in the morning and returnd in the even.

Monday the Second, we had not any company to dinner, I read

Tuesday the Twenty Third, I wrote to my Mother and Bro^r Geo: to congratulate him in the latters preferment, see Sunday, and I wrote to M^r Jefferson of Newc. For his recommendation of a Master for Astronomy and Navigation, for W^m Stevens to go to: M^{rs} Stock, and Mises Meuris and French of Newcastle sent down for me to go to the Cock, being on their Journey to Whitby, I took a ride with M^r Jackson Jun^r to Saltburn, betwixt w^{ch} place and Skelton we called to see Jn.^o Price who is cutting and peeling some oak Trees, see Monday 15th inst: we returnd at Eight

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth, After breakfast I rode to Grainge and Boulby but did not stop at either place, I called at Brotton as I returnd and saw my Uncle's young Mair there, w^{ch} after having broke a piece off the Coffin Bone, then almost being hang'd by having thrown itself One night to the halter, did on Monday last dislocate the Far Buttock Joint, which being replaced is now almost sound, I met with M^r Jackson Jun^r at Brotton, and returnd with him at Two, then I went wth Tho^s Preswick to Ja^s Birds (where M^{rs} Lincoln did live, being now removed to James' house) and took Acco^t of some

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Tallow of M^{rs} Lincolns w^{ch} James now enters in, wth the rest of her Stock, and this is the first making of Soap by James Bird, I drank Tea there.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth, Jack went early to Coals for the fifth time, I a second time took an ounce of Glauba Salts which wrought well, the last I got a great Cold by, being the day before I went to Thirsk, I finished reading the 8th Numbers of Smollet's History, being all we have got yet, M^r Baker and his Lady came to M^{rs} Chalons and stayd All night here in their Road to Boulby tomorrow, M^r Baker walked down and sat with my Un: an hour but I did not appear to him

Friday the Twenty Sixth, my Un: and I got up early and wnet before Seven to where Jn.^o Price is cutting Timber, see Tuesday the 23rd inst. but he not having got the Timber out of the wood for my Un. to view, we did not light, as we returnd we had some (little) Rain w^{ch} is the first for a Month past or thereabouts, being Hotter and dryer than any body here remembers at the time of year, tho' the wind has been several times round the Compass, but it's variations produced no Rain, W^m Pease called in his road from Whitby to Darn'ton, see Monday gone a sennight, I read the Bill wth the Amendments passd this Session for the encouragement of Seamen and all Watermen to enter and be enrolld for his Maj.^s Service

Saturday the Twenty Seventh, after Six my Un: and I set out for Boulby, we called at Grainge about an hour and then proceeded as above, where we met wth M^r and M^{rs} Baker who went from Gisbr^o last night to M^r Jn.^o Jeffersons, and we dined wth them today at Boulby M^r Wardell and M^r Jn.^o Jefferson came wth M^r and M^{rs} Baker and us to Grainge, where we saw the several Conveniences, then the two former set us to foot of Lofthouse Bank and then returnd, the two latter with my Un: and I came to Gisbr^o, they to M^{rs} Chalons, we had heavy Showers of Rain in our way home, but it came on very calm, we found W^m White come from Whitby over the Moor, with 3 Stone of One of my Uncle's Fat Oxen killed there last week by Tho^s Hall. Will^m stayd all night, and next morning

Sunday the Twenty Eighth, we had more Rain, M^r Baker came down and got a Bason of Tea by himself, I went to Church twice, W^m White went away after dinn^r and M^r Baker left M^{rs} Chalons then too, M^r Jn.^o Jefferson came in the evening to settle Acco.^s with my Un: and to bid him adieu, as he is going to London soon and to be accompanied by W^m Pease who on Acco.^t of my Bro.^{rs} preferm^t will by him be got into the Navy office, they propose leaving Whitby on Thursday.

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Monday the twenty Ninth, I began to read the 2nd vol. of Houghton's Husbandry and Trade having before read the 1st and 3rd volumes, W^m Pease who went to Darnton last Wednes: or Thurs: returnd to Whitby today, M^r. Consett and M^r Preston of Stoxley, dined, the former to pay Interest. I walked to Jn.^o Jefferson's Farm at Tockets, wth Anth^o Forster, who surveyed a Seven Acres Field, to decide amicably the paym^t of some Money as Onstand, 10 Shill^s p acre

Tuesday the Thirtieth, I went to Stockton at Seven wth £620 for M^r. W^m Maddison Attorney, who lent it for my Un: to several People. I dined at his House Miss Milly Richmond of Newc. (M^r Jn.^o Armourers Niece) being there. W^m Colthirst Dyer returnd with me, M^r Jn.^o Jefferson went away this morning.

Wednesday the Thirty First and last day
after breakfast I rode to Grainge, and to W^m Stephens at the Barns where I eat some Bread and Cheese and returnd home.

JUNE 1758

Thursday June the First, Jack went at five to Coals, for the 6th time and Tho.^s Day twice at our Coal House. I took Glauba Salts w^{ch} wrought well, after dinner I walked with Thomas to M^{rs} Chaloner's Park and saw my Brothers Staggs now there, I read, see last Monday

Friday the Second, I took a walk, and to Fran^s Fox's at the Factory, I had a Letter from Sis^r Dolly telling me the Child (Bessy) is recoverd of her inoculation,

Saturday the Third, before Seven my Un: attended by Tho^s rode to Ayton to meet the Rev^d M^r. Wilson, who is now at M^r Sckottow's having bo^t his Mansion House there, with some Ground and with whom my Uncle executed some material Business as a Mortgage, they returnd before dinner, Jack also went to Grainge with the Cart and brought some wheat and oats after dinner; I finished reading Houghton's 2nd Vol: see Monday last.

Sunday the Fourth, I had a Lett^r in the morning from M^r W^m Jefferson in answer to mine of the 23rd: Ult.^o, wherein he recommends M^r Rob^t Harrison, now Schoolmaster of the Trinity House Newcastle, and M^r. Harrison wrote to me his Terms, which are Two Guin;^s and a ½ for Navigation and the same for Astronomy, but as the Lad is of so promising a Genius he will abait a Guinea in the whole, or instruct him in Circle

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Sailing, and the use of the Globes for the 5 Guineas, I answerd Sis^r Dolly's Letter, see last Friday and requested her to borrow 5£ on my Name, I went to Church, my Uncle once, and walked out in the evening wth Tho^s and begun to read Thompsons Seasons. Monday the Fifth, M^r: Wardell came in the morning dined and returnd at Even'. I went into the School this afternoon and there was not a Child awaiting but one sick which is the first time the Dame (Wright) remembers them being there altogether on a Monday afternoon, I sat about two Hours with M^r Scarth of Stango and Ra: Jackson the blind, of Stokesly, at Walker Pulman.

Tuesday the Sixth, at Nine W^m White came with two wagons loaded with straw from Grainge, in the afternoon I walked down to Fran^s Fox's and to M^r Etheringtons an hour, and staid a while with M^r: Hide, my Un: Jos.^a having caused to be wrote in the Cover to the Newspapers, the early advice he had of the K. of Prussias having taken Olmutz, burn Brinn, and defeated Marsh: Daun in Moravia. ^Memo: proves premature.^

Wednesday the Seventh, at Six my Un: and Tho.^s Preswick set out for Stockton, and returnd at four in the afternoon. I was invited to dine with M^r W^m Cass, lately married, but I refusd tho' several of the Neighbours went.

Thursday the Eighth, the wind continues to blow fresh as yesterday (with a clear Sun) from the South. I read the 9th and 18th N.^{os} ~~of~~ (being all we have got yet) of Smollet's History of England, Jack went to Coals at Etherley for the 8th time I took a walk round the Town wth W^m Jackson Jun^r.

Friday the Ninth, about Eight M^r Pease Jun^r and Boy came here from Darn'ton in his road to Whitby, I walked to Franc^s Fox's at the Factory twice.

Saturday the Tenth, Cousⁿ Ja^s Pease returnd from W^{by} to Scorton School, having been absent this vacation a Month, the Newcastle Papers printed today bring me the disagreeable News of M^r W^m Hudspeth's decease of a Fever on Friday (yesterday) afternoon, and yesterdays Post bro^t my Uncle An Account of Cous.ⁿ Etty Boulby's dying of a Fit at London, and also a Letter from my Mo^r

Sunday the Eleventh, This is the month or silent Sunday, I read at home and walked to M^r Etherington's and M^r Fox's house. I had a Letter from Dolly, and finished reading Thompson's Seasons begun, see this day sennights.

Monday the Twelfth, about Seven it began to Rain and was a continued fine calm Shower till about Twelve at Noon. I begun to read the 1st vol: of Pope's works I breakfasted with M^r Hide, and W^m Stevens came before dinner and returnd in the

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evening, my Uncle having fixed his meeting me tomorrow night at Newcastle, where he is to learn Navigation, Astronomy, the use of the globes, and Circle Sailing, with M^r: Robert Harrison Master of the Trinity School there

Tuesday the Thirteenth, at five I mounted. I only called on Horse back at Stockton and Baited at Sedgfield, I rode thro' Durham and soon after overtook W^m Stevens see yesterday and his Bro^r on one Horse, we rode to Chester le-street, and there baited, and reached Newcastle at six o'Clock, I found my Mas^r and M^r Hudspeths family in troubles for M^r W^m Hudspeth's death, (see last Saturday) I laid at my Master M^r Jefferson's all the time I staid in Newcastle.

Wednesday the Fourteenth, I saw several of my acquaintance in the Town, and dined with my Mas^r M^r. Jefferson, I also spent the evening with him and M^r Hen^{ry} Forster and M^r Harrison the Schoolmaste^r W^m Stevens sat with us great part of the evening, and the above Schoolmas^r examind his Book, which he approvd on so far as related to the Lads performance, but said that M^r. Richardson had kept him too long upon one Thing.

Thursday the Fifteenth, I enterd W^m Stevens to M^r Harrison see last Monday, but as he only wants to know the Principals of Navigation and Astronomy, being already able to work any question therein, he is to proceed to Geometry the Conic sections, and Fluctions, which M^r Harrison said he woud refer himself to my Uncle for pay fo^r I also went to see Cousⁿ Askew, and sat only about half an hour, I dined at M^{rs} Hudspeths, and directly after, rode down to Shields, but I did not receive any profits, I saw the Allom works on the S^o side of the water at Sheilds and returns to M^r Jefferson's in the evening.

Friday the Sixteenth. I dined at M^r. Forster's, and in the evening walkd wth my Mas^r to ~~the~~ Gallowgate to see a Case of Beef w^{ch} I heard afterwards, weighd upwards of 110 Stone, we met with M^r Askew Jun^r and his Lady with M^r: Ad^m Boulby walking, who engaged me to breakfast, which I did in the morning of

Saturday the Seventeenth, and at Eleven set out for West Auckland where I arrived at Six after stopping an hour at Bishop Auckland wth D^r Dunn, M^r W^m James arrivd at his Fathers today from Liverpool to stay 10 days.

Sunday the Eighteenth, at Nine I left M^r. James's of West Auckland and dined at Richm^d went to Church, in the evening Sis:^r Han^a rode out for 2 ½ hours

Monday the Nineteenth, and

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Tuesday the Twentieth. I spent with my Sisters Han. And Do'y, only in the afternoon I went with them and some other Comp^a to M^r. Johnson's who showd us several experiments in Electricity, and by his Air Pump &^c, &^c

Wednesday the Twenty First, at Eight I left Richmond, dined at Yarm and reached Gisbrough at Seven and found my Uncle very well.

Thursday the Twenty Second, I walked up street, and waited much on the Mair I rode my last Journey on, she having got a drink for a Cough.

Friday the Twenty Third. I walked down to Franc^s Fox's with the Newspapers but there was not any thing material in them, I wrote over the Acco^t of my Newc. Journey's Expences, and also my transactions into this Book, in the evening Tho.^s Preswick got M^r Forster, M^r Etherington, Capⁿ Longbotthom and Jac^b Longbotthom, to M^{rs} Lincolns, where the three last signd the Appraisment of her Goods and Chattles, with her Stock in Trade, Utensils &^c, &^c.

~~Sunday~~ Saturday the Twenty Fourth, Tho^s rode to Stoxley before dinner, but I staid about home, and read the 11th and 12th N.^{os} of Smollet's History of England, having read the 10 forme^r

Sunday the Twenty Fifth, I went to Church twice, my Uncle once, I drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincolns, and also some Punch there wth M^r Etherington &^c, I also walked wth Tho^s to Chapel Brigg when we met M^{rs} Chaloner and Miss Maddison, my Un: was gone to bed when I came in.

Monday the Twenty Sixth, M^r Preston Sen^r dined and then his Son came down, some deeds were executed, viz: M^r Sckottowe's, and a Mortgage from Rev^d M^r Dan^l Wilson for 2000£ wherein I was namd as Trustee for my uncle, I walked to M^{rs} Lincoln's Field in the evening wth her, Tho.^s Preswick, and his Niece Ann, we had a Sillibub,

Tuesday the Twenty Seventh, I finished reading the 13th, 14th and 15th N^{os} of Smollet's History of England, see last Saturday, being all my Uncle has got yet, after breakfast M^r Sutton's Clerk of Stockton (M^r Lorrain) came, and transacted some business with my Un: but I road beyond Skelton, where W^m White was come with a Carriage for some Oak Timber now felld there by Jn.^o Price. I returnd before dinner, and after, I walked to the Factory, and sat an hour with Fran^s Fox.

Wednesday the Twenty Eighth, after dinner I took a walk wth Thom^s to the Quarry at top of Spring Wood where the Masons, (W^m Brotten of Skelton &^c) are cutting stones to

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build a Cow House, in my Un:^s leasd ground at Long Hull, now tenanted by Jn.^o
Johnson Carry^a Man. M^r Hide drank a Bottle of wine wth my Un:
Thursday the Twenty Ninth, about Seven W^m White came wth an Ox, and a Horse
draught, and carried 1,000 Tiles away, out of 3,000 had from M^r Douthwaite of
Stockton; at Noon the Beehive that I bo^t half of on Sep^t the 26th last (see that day Journ.^l
Letter F, cast a Third Swarm, having cast it's first on Monday the 19th inst. and it's 2nd
on Sunday the 25th. Friday the Thirtieth and last Day, at Six my Uncle and I set out for
Boulby we called at Grainge (where Will: is Sowing Turnips) as we went and returnd.
there was a pay of the Men today at Boulby today the Rev^{md} M^r Hadfield dined, this
days Post brings an Acco^t of Prince Ferdinand of Brunswick Commander of the Allied
Armey having completed a Victory of the French Armey commanded by the Count de
Clermont.

JULY 1758

July, Saturday the First, I read the 16th and 17th Numbers of Smollet's History see last
Tuesday, I also read in Pope.

Sunday the Second. I went to Church twice, my Uncle once, I read the first of Bishop
Sharp's Sermons &^c.

Monday the Third, I finished the 1st vol: of Pope's Miscellanies, begun the 12th June and
begun the 2nd. Ja^s Jackson came to pay his Rent; and Tho^s Wharton to pay his Rent for
Oakbridg Home near Egton, being 20£ for the half year, he paying the Cesses. the latter,
and Jn.^o Price dined with us, after dinner I went to Mary Havelock's with my Un: who,
with M^r Joseph Danby signd a Mortgage of an Estate near Sunderland, the latter gives
my Uncle for 900£, we, viz: M^r Danby, M^r Preston Attorney, and myself, went to M^r
Danby's when M^{rs} Danby signd, and we drank some Punch there and on Tuesday the
Fourth, M^r Danby and M^r Fran^s Fox came and receivd the 900£ as yesterday, they dined
with us, this days Post confirms our Advantages gaind in Germany near Crevelt, having
kil'd, wounded and taken between 7 and 8,000 of the French, with the loss of between
12 and 1300 Hundred, see last Friday, I drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincolns; and wrote to my
Mother about Sister Wilson's allowing her an Annuity, in this Letter I only promote it.
Wednesday the Fifth, at Eight my Un: and Thom^s rode to Stoxley, there being a meeting
of the Justices about the additional Duty of 6^d a Window with the former duty of 1^d p.

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window, so that it is now fixd for every window or light in the house, that has above 15. they returnd about six, before dinner I rode to the Quarry, see this day gone a se'nnight W^m Colthirst came after dinner and I showd some Antiquitys of my Grandmothers.

Thursday the Sixth, In the night and this morning Rain falls plentifully till ten, today my Uncle audited my Disbursments since Jan.^a 1st 1758, and gave me Ten Guineas to bear my future charges, after dinner Thom^s went to Upleatham to see his Sis.^r Grace Chapman, in the evening I walked to see M^r Etherington who has been excessive ill of the Gravel, Rheumatism, &^c, but is better,

Friday the Seventh, at Six I set forward for Stockton, breakfasted with M^r Maddison there, with whom my Business was, and in my return before dinn^r called at Geo: Meuburn's Butcher near Ormsby, who married Han:^a, Daughter of Jn.^o and Mary Wilkinson late of Gisbr^o, the latter died two years since gone the 30th Ap^r (1756), but the former lives with Geo: Meuburn and his wife, being 91 years old gone Midsummer last: Ol: Preswick, who came from London yesterday where he has been above three Months, came this evening and till past Nine with my Uncle.

Saturday the Eighth, there has been a great deal of Rain last night, and continues doing so this morning, and continued till and in the evening, I walked to see M^r. Etherington who^s bette^r I wrote to my late Mas^r M^r W^m Jefferson, M^{rs} Hudspeth, and to W^m Stevens at Newcastle, Thom:^s went to Stoxley today

Sunday the Ninth, much Rain fell last night again, with the wind as lately, at N:E: I wrote to Henry Pecket, as Easingwood, once my Father's Servant. I read in the Bible &^c, it being the silent Sunday, and drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincolns

Monday the Tenth, our Jack, Alex^r Pulman, and old Duke Blenkoe begun this morning to Mow my Uncle's Meadow, Jn.^o Rowntree's eldest Son W^m near Seamer, and W^m Hill Jun.^r Butcher of Whitby dined. I sat near two Hours with M^r Preston at his Inn; Jn.^o Price and his wife stayed most of the day and all night in their road from near Skelton, to home at Aysleby

Tuesday the Eleventh, at Six I set out for Boulby in company with Jn.^o Aysley, we called at Grainge, and as we met with M^r Wardell at the Top of the Bank, we did not go down to the Allom Works, I returnd (by Brotton) to dinner after dinner, I walked to the Mowers, and sat an hour with Fran.^s Fox.

Wednesday the Twelfth after breakfast I rode to Tho^s Weatherils near Stoxley, to acquaint him with the two Queys not being sold, and I rode on to old Will^m Stevens's the

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Gardener, and stayd an hour, I returnd to dinner, just alighting before M^r Jn.^o Pease Jun^r came in his road from Darn'ton to Whitby, after dinner he proceeded, and I walked to see M^r. Etherington who is much bette^r no Hay-day.

Thursday the Thirteenth, some Showers fell in the forenoon, and a very heavy one after, w^{ch} put us off the Hay we having turnd most of the Sweaths of one of the Fields into Hipple, or Capcock, without Spreading; at three M^r. W^m Allen from Richmond came to our house, and before five he went to see Miss Maddison now at M^{rs} Chaloner's, after he wrote a Card to her, w^{ch} she answerd by Jack, that she woud be glad to see him, he staid till Seven and then we sat down to supper my Uncle sat up till past Nine, and then M^r Allen and self walked to the Church yard where we viewed the Bolt, drank a little small Punch when we came down and retired to bed between Eleven and Twelve

Friday the Fourteenth, after breakfast M^r Allen and I called upon M^r Hide, who showd us M^{rs} Chaloner's Garden Fish Ponds &^c, and we then lookd nearer to the Bolt, or East window of the Abbey that was once very flourishing at Gisb^{ro} we went to the Top of the window, and when the Prayer Bell rung we went into the Church and attended the Service. after dinner M^r. Allen set out for Richm^d I accompyed him to Hamilton Houses and upon my return went to the Hay field, we had good weather for the Hay this afternoon. at Six M. Jn.^o Pease Jun.^r (see last Wednesday) returnd from Whitby with his Mother and Bro.^r Bristoe they stayd all night and at nine on

Saturday the Fifteenth they set out for Darn'ton, raining very ~~hard~~ fast, I got a sting upon my Right Eye brow from one of our Bees last night, which continued to be swelled so much, that I write now with the sight of but one Eye, I took a walk to see M^r Etherington

Sunday the Sixteenth, ~~my~~ the swelling about my Eye occasiond by the sting of the Bee is abated this morning, but is encreasd on the lower part of my face. I finishd reading the 2nd vol of Pope, begun Monday the 3rd inst. I only went to Church once, with my Un: in the forenoon, after dinner I read One of A-B.p Sharp's Sermons to Thomey, and one of M^r. Cook's to my Uncle, I walked into the Grounds wth Thom^s W^m Stevenson, over the way sat an hour with my Uncle; was a Gloomy day but no Rain fell, wind N:N:W

Monday the Seventeenth, much Rain has fall'n last night, and continues this morning, the same all day without intermission, as also all night

Tuesday the Eighteenth, the same in the morning as yesterday, I begun to read Keill's Astronomical Lectures, borr:^d of M^r Rob.^t Harrison Trinity Schoolmaster at Newcastle, Raind all day again, this is our General Quarter Sessions, when there was Seven Justices

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upon the Bench, viz W^m Turner, W^m Oastler, Tho^s Sckottowe, Ra: Robinson, Ro: Beckwith, Char^s Turner, and Peter Consett of Brawith Esq.^{rs} the two latter were only Sworn in today, they orderd for Transportation Tho^s Allen, for stealing twelve Doz.ⁿ of Line from Mich^a Furniss valud 10:^s the rest of the business consisted of Regulating some Peoples Settlements, and a few other triffling actions, my Uncle dind at the Cock with the Justices.

Wednesday the Nineteenth, at Eight my Uncle and I eat some Salmon and set forward to Grainge, we met M^r Wardell in Skinningrave Bank in his Road to Bishopbrig, my Uncle fixd on, and pland a Building to consist of a Slaughter House, Horse Stable, and a Hay House; he also sent for M^r. Rob^t Sugget of Lofthouse, we got to Gisb^{ro} at Six, and ab^t Nine I went up street and sat till two, with M^r Jonaⁿ Furniss (Mich^{a's} Brother) Doct. Proddy, M^r. Forster M^r Jn.^o Husband &^c, &^c.

Thursday the Twentyeth. I was not quite well so I went to bed again after breakfasted till Eleven o'th' forenoon, after dinner I walked down among the Haymakers, we turnd the Hay out of the Hipplers and Sweaths, after 'twas a little dry we raked it up together a little and then Hippled it again, we wrought none in the forenoon, I walked to see Jos^h Danbys Hay in the afternoon, and in the evening I walked up street, when I met with M^{rs} Chaloner, her two Eldest Daught^{rs} and Miss Maddison, wth whom I walked to stump Cross, and back to the Hall, when I we parted.

Friday the Twenty First. I got up before four and rode to Boulby, calld at Grainge as I returnd, and reachd home half past Ten, after dinner I wrought at the Hay, we got it into large Cock. Wind S:E.

Saturday the Twenty Second, the wind N:E. cold and Hazy weather, I read the 18.th and 19.th No.^{'s} of Smollet's History see 1:st inst. Mich^a Furniss, (see last Wednesday even) died this morning between 6 and 7, after the lingering disorder of a Nervous Fever, which has confind him to his bed above a fortnight, w^{ch} occasiond his Bro^r to come over from Hull, and his Father out of Westmoreland, Mich^a has left 5 small Children, (w^{ch} his Bro^r will provide for) and a wife whose behaviour 'tis thought has been the occasion of his Death, being an indolent women and by some tho^t Non Compos Mentis, her name was Thrush, Tho^s went to Stokesley in the morning.

Sunday the Twenty Third, after I had gone twice to Church and my Un: once, I went to the Funeral of Michael Furniss see yesterday, according to the invitation my Un: and I

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had from Jon.^a his Bro^r he was decently interd, his Age 30 years W^m White came in the morning and returnd at evening, I drank Tea with Jn.^o Husband.

Monday the Twenty Fifth. I walked up street once or twice, and after M^r. Mathews had dined with us I went into the Hay field and helped to make some Load Pikes, so that the Grass w^{ch} was cut this day fortnight is only won today and tho' we've had frequent Rains the Hay is pretty good. Jn.^o Price laid here all night, fair all day,

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth, Wind twice or thrice round the Compass, cloudy in the forenoon, but after dinner clear and sultry hot, we begun to mow ano^r field in the morning, I attempted, and improv'd before night continuing all day wth the Mowers, this days Post brings advice of the K^g of Prussia's being oblig'd to raise the siege of Olmutz in Moravia, having had a large convoy of Provision &^c escorted by 10,000 Men in their March to him, cut off, and he is now persued by Marshal Daun; my Uncle came into the field we were Mowing in, and made a trial, w^{ch} he performd very well.

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth, I got up early, breakfasted at Seven wth my Uncle upon some fryd Mutton, and then we set off for Grainge, I rode on to Boulby, and when I came from thence, the Mason Christ^r Wallas had just laid the foundation stone of the S^o West corner of the building pland last Wednesday, my Un: left them, viz, Wallas, W^m White &^c 3 Shill.^s to drink, we dind at W^m White's and arrivd at Gisb^{ro} between five and Six

Thursday the Twenty Seventh, last night was a most violent one for wind and Rain, w^{ch} continued till Noon, I read in Keils Astronomy; I pulled some coalnuts and sent to Richm^d by Ja^s Bird's Cart.

Friday the Twenty Eighth, Arch^{re} Lorrain came in the morning before Eight for 500£ for his Mas^r W^m Sutton Esq^r of Stockton Merch^t, he breakfasted and returnd and I rode to Grainge, and arrivd at Gisbr^o again at Two, I wrote to my Mo^r at Greenw:^{ch}.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth, I helped all day to spread and get into Hipple or Lapcock, the Grass that was cut on Tuesday and Wednesday last, 'tis a fine day

Sunday the Thirtieth, a fine day the wind as yesterday S:E: I went to Church twice, my Un: once, I took a walk wth M^r Jackson Jun^r and Jn.^o Husband towards Long Hull, the latter and I drank Tea with the former

Monday the Thirty First and last Day, I helped to work at the Hay, see Saturday, we threw it out of Hipple, and after turning it several times put it into Cock, in the morning we proposed to put into Load pike but the day was cloudy and no Sun.

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Tuesday the First, Thom.^s went to Grainge, and before Ten I rode beyond Long Hull, then turned into a by lane on the left, and proceeded in it till I came into the Boulby road near Tockets Hall. I rode to Skelton Ellers and returned by the same Road, I walked down to Fran.^s Fox at the Factory wth the Newspaper,

Wednesday the Second, my Uncle and Tho.^s Preswick set out before Six for Yarm to the fair, and returned at Six in the evening, in the forenoon I mowed several times across Calverts Close wth the three Mowers, they finished the field before Eight of the night, after dinner I helped to throw out of Cock and get into Load Pike, the Hay I wrought at on Monday. a fine afternoon.

Thursday the Third, my Un: and Tho.^s set out for Grainge at Ten, and returned at Seven; at Four in the morning, Jack &^c, &^c begun, and at Six I got up and begun to assist in leading and staking (or Pikeing) the Hay that was cut in the four low Meadowfields and Island on the other side of the Beck, on Monday and Tuesday the 10.th and 11.th and Tuesday and Wednesday the 25.th and 26.th Ult.^o we had two Carts, five Men, besides myself (and Tho.^s Preswick till 10 in the forenoon) and a women, and got done before five, there being only 19 moderate Loads of Hay, which is a poor Crop, the Ground being computed 12 Acres,-there was also three women, and myself a little in the evening, in spreading and turning the Grass in Calverts Close (being a fine day) see yesterday

Friday the Fourth. I helped to Rake and make into Load Pike the Hay in Calvert's Close see yesterday. I wrote to Sis.^r Dolly and sent two Guineas by Ja.^s Bird's Servant.

Saturday the Fifth, I walked to M^r. Etherington's for an hour before dinner, this morning M^{rs} Chaloner wth her two eldest Daugh.^{rs} set out for Scarbr:^o where her Eldest Son will meet her from Eton School, after dinner I carried some folios out of my uncle's old Closet into the New one over this Gun Closet, I also walked to Alex.^r Pulman's field where Jack is mowing

Sunday the Sixth, I went to Church twice, my Uncle once, in the evening I walked to M^r Etherington's where I got a Letter from Sis.^r Dolly, by his Eldest Daugh.^r Elean.^r we had Thunder and some Rain yesterday and today

Monday the Seventh. I walked up street two or three times, and after dinner Nich:^s Patten came to acquaint my Uncle that he had arrested Rob.^l Sugget of Lofthouse for 13£, being the remainder of a debt of 33£, but I heard afterwards that they had compromised the Affair, after they had proceeded as far as Thirsk in their road to York Castle.

Tuesday the Eighth, I assisted in leading the Hay out of Calvert Close (see last Friday,) and lay it upon the Pike, about Eleven o'Clock, Jn.^o Reed, Un: to cous:ⁿ Dolly and Matty Reed &^c, died, aged 60 last 8th of Nov.^b having spent great part of that time in pain and Sickness, being greatly afflicted with Convulsion Fitts, An Asthma, and Scurvey, all three in a high degree, his late wife Isable Presw^{ck} Sist.^r to Tho:^s died in Jan:^a 1752.

Wednesday the Ninth, at Six I set out for Grainge and Boulby and returned to dinner, when I heard that M^r: Forster and his wife, and Cous.ⁿ Matty Reed of Yarm, and Cous.ⁿ Ra: Reed of Dar'nton were come to the funeral of late Cous.ⁿ Jn.^o Reed, see yesterday, after dinner I went into W^m Reeds, and stayd with them a little, they all soon after came to our House on my Uncles invitation, and stayd till five, when we joined the Corps at W^m Reed's door and proceeded to Church and interment, I drank Tea with them at W^m Reed's and then left them, when they canvassd John's will &^c (I find he has Executord his Bro Will.^m of the 200£ he had in M^r Forster's hand, w^{ch} was all he had to dispose of, paying 55£ thereout for legacys as follows, viz: to his Bro.^r Ra: 20£, to his three Neices M^{rs} Forster, Dolly and Matty Reed of Yarm 5£ each, and to Will.^{m's} four Children 5£ each) after they had they sent for Thom.^s, with whom and his Bro. Oliver I went in, and read the Mar^{ra} Article between John and his late wife (see yesterday) by w^{ch} it appears that they joined Fortunes at Wedding, that the latter liver should enjoy the Interest of all, and at both their Deaths the Effects, or each of their Fortunes, should revolve to each's Relations, so that Thom.^s and his Brothers and Sister will posses 90£ w^{ch} wth 70£ left after the Marr:^a by her late Bro.^r Christopher, will amount to 160£ to be equally divided between Robert, Thomas, and Oliver Preswick, and their Sis.^r Grace Chapman, only that the former (Rob.^l) and the latter (Grace) are only to be paid the Interest of their Shares for Life, and then devolve to the Issue, all our Relations from Yarm and Darn'ton layd at our House; after drinking a Glass of Punch with me, after my Un: retired to bed.

Thursday the Tenth, after breakfast our Relations (see yesterday) set forw^d for home. I set ~~home~~ them to M^r: Strickland Hills, before we reach'd place, the Horse my Cous.ⁿ Matty road double on, fell, tho', happily no other dam.^a ensued but a slight strain of the

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Man (Thom.^s) Ancia, they were both thrown off the Horse, I returned before dinn.^r, and after, I went to M^r. Etherington's for 3 Hours.

Friday the Eleventh, I walked down to Fran: Fox's at the Factory wth the Newspapers after dinner I walked with Thom:^s to the Ground M^{rs} Lincoln now has, of him, and to that of his Bro:^r Rob:^{t's}, and drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincoln's with him, I put up 200 Walnuts for M^r Forster of Yarm, to go to his Shop at Stokesley tomorrow by Johnson, this has been the only Hay-day we've had this week except a part of Monday and all day of Tuesday.

Saturday the Twelfth. Before Seven I set out for Grainge and Boulby and returned before four, I dined with M^r. Wardell, this forenoon (about Ten) a melancholy accident happened to one Geo: Sugget a Poor Man and a Labourer at Boulby Works, (but late at M^r. Moor's, they being now given up,) he was working under a large Stone supposed a Tunweight to make it fall sooner out of it's bed, but he had no sooner dug apart of the Earth from under it, and wrought with his gavelock till the Stone gave warning of it's falling, than his foot slipt, and could not recover himself to prevent the Stone's falling upon him, which brused him in a terrible manner, especially his Head and Back, he was killed instantly; his wife laid in, last week of the 6th or 7th Child, now living, and all, so young, that the Eldest, (a Boy) is but about 12 Years old.

Sunday the Thirteenth, this being month or silent Sunday, I read the Lesson &^c at home, I had a Lett.^r from my Mo.^r from Greenwich today, fixing the 21:st inst. for setting out for Yorkshire in the Stage Coach, but in my answer to her today (also) I desire her to postpone her coming till she hear from me again, as I expect M^r. Pease Sen.^r here this week, and that he will order his Daught:^r Bell:^a to come with my Mothe^r I walked to Fran: Fox's House after dinn.^r Jack and his Sis:^r Jane went to see thair Fa.^r and returns at night, I read a Sermon to my Un: as well as last Sunday.

Monday the Fourteenth, in the forenoon (about Eleven) M^r Pease Sen.^r arrivd from Whitby, after dinner we walkd to Fran.^s Fox's, and on

Tuesday the Fifteenth, at Seven I mounted and rode to this side of Stockton Ferry with M^r: Pease in his road to his Son's at Darn'ton, I returned before dinner, when I found W^m White with two fat Shavd Queys from Grainge, for Tho.^s Weatherel, Butcher near Stoxley, whose two Sons were just come with a Steer 2 years old (gone) for my Uncle, which, after dinner W^m White drove to Grainge, and they proceeded home wth the Queys. I wrote to my Mother, see last Sunday, to acquaint her that last Friday M^r Pease

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wrote to his Daught.^r to accompany my Mother down, my Uncle reced a Letter from Bro.^r Geo: in closing some Letters he has had from some of his Friends in the Expedition against the French Coast, given him an account of the Landing near Cherbourg on the 7:th inst. which place and it's Batteries were given up to our troops the next day viz: the 8:th inst: I shewd them to Fran.^s Fox in confidence.

Wednesday the Sixteenth, has been a fine day, I assisted in laying some more Hay upon the Pike, see yesterday se'nnight, this being the second time of laying on Hay; in the evening I walked with Thom.^s to M^{rs} Lincoln's field, at whose House I drank Tea with Thom.^s and Jn.^o Husband.

Thursday the Seventeenth, after dinner I rode with my Uncle to look at a Boggy or Mirery field of my Uncle's, now tenanted by James Jackson of Pinchinthorpe but my Uncle resolvd to do nothing at it, when we returnd Thom.^s Preswick was very uneasy being about a fortnight very poorly, so Apo:^{ty} Proddy came down and after my Un: went to bed I made a single small Pitcher of Punch. a fine day

Friday the Eighteenth, some Rain fell last night, and this morning betokens more, but provd a fine day, I read in Keils Astronomy, after I helped to pull the School House Pears, and carried some to M^r: Etheringtons.

Saturday the Nineteenth, at Seven my Uncle and self set off for Grainge I rode to M^r. Wardell's Barns, but as he was at Staiths delivering a Kelp Ship I went no further, but returnd to Grainge, my Uncle and I dind at W^m White's, Jack also went to Grainge wth the Cart loaded with tiles, and returnd with 9 Bushels of Wheat, and some odd things, Tho.^s is rather worse today, see last Thursday, my Un: and I returnd before four, and I sat an hour Wth Tho.^s at M^{rs} Lincolns

Sunday the Twentyeth, I went to Church twice, my Un: Once, after evening Prayers I went wth M^r Hide to his own House, drank Tea with him and part of a Bottle of wine, Thom.^s continues poorly rather Feverish and was prevaild on to send for M^r. Waine Physician of Stoxley to come in the morning.

Monday the Twenty first, In the forenoon Doct.^r Waine see yesterday came and Orderd for Thom.^s somethings, at night he took a vomit and slept kindly after it, I dined and sat all the afternoon till Ten in the evening at Oliver Preswick's, with M^r. Chr: Masterman a Crimp of Lond:^o and M^r. Peacock a Curioso in Bees of Stockton, also wth M^r Jn.^o

Jackson (not Chief) of Lackenby, and M^r. Proddy; M^r. Hide dined and sat till 5 after, and then my Uncle came and stayd till Eight, the above two Gentlemen (Masterman and

Peacock) bro.^t an Acco.^t from Stockton of an Express going to Lord Darlington and two more going Northward with the News of Louisbrough having Surrenderd &^c w^{ch} is expected to be confirmd tomorrow or soon after, there look for the perticulars.

Tuesday the Twenty Second, I read the 20:th and 21:st N.^{os} of of Smollet's History see the 22:nd Ult.^o the Important good News see yesterday, was this Post confirmd with the perticulars in a Gazette Extraordinary, the Garrison Capitulated upon our own terms the 27:th Ult.^o, there were 5607 Prisoners including Sailors &^c, 210 Pieces of Cannon, 18 Motars and a large quantity of Stores, the French had sunk One 50 Gun Ship and 3 Frigates at the Mouth of the Harbour to prevent our Ships getting in, the Boats of our fleet wth 600 Men burnt 2, 74-Gun Ships and 1, 64 in one night, we took one 64, one 74 and 2 Frigates, Adm:^d Boscowen commanded the Fleet, and Maj:^r Gen:^l Amherst by Land, our troops were 49 days upon the Island of Cape Breton, but took the Place (Louisbourg) in 10 days after opening of the Trenches, after dinner I wrote to Sis:^r Do: (having had a Letter from my Mo:^r advising of her and Cous.ⁿ Bell.^a Pease having fixd as Companions but not on the day of their seting out for Yorkshire) and carried my Letter (to Dolly) to Ja.^s Bird's, where I drank a Glass with M^r. Elsworth of Richmond, and M^r. Harland of Skeeby, by the former I sent my Epistle, I drank Tea at M^r. Hides and this evening M^{rs} Chaloner and Daughters return'd from Scarbr:^o see the 5:th inst: but her Son does not come from Eton till next week, at Eight (after my Uncle went to bed) I went to the Cock and stayd till 12, with M^r Hide, Proddy, Jackson Sen.^r, Longbottom, Forster, and Jo.^s Danby, to commemorate the above good news, there was 41 Shill:^s contributed for the Populace, viz: My Un: 10:^s 6.^d M^{rs} Chaloner 10:^s 6.^d the 6 Persons aforesaid and my self 2:^s 6.^d each, and the Rev.rd M^r Husband, absent 2:^s 6.^d was 20 Shill.^s (in all 41.^s).

Wednesday the Twenty Third, at Seven I rode to Grainge, dined at W^m Whites, and then to Boulby for half an hour, I went by Saltburn, and Brotten, having been overtaken by Rich:^d Stevenson of the last place, at Skelton on my return I packd, (wth assistance) some Hampers of Bottles against tomorrow, for M^r: Sutton of Stockton to fill wth 18 Gall.^s of Red Port, 3 Gall.^s Madeira, 6 Gall.^s White Mountain, and 3 Gall.^s of Rum.

Thursday the Twenty ~~Fifth~~ Fourth, Jack went with the Cart and 2 Hores and Tho.^s is so well as to ride to Stockton for the above, W^m White &^c, &^c came wth an ox and a Horse draught, I carried some Tiles, Deals, and oak Timber to Grainge. after dinner I drank a

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Glass wth M^r Fox &^c, &^c at M^r Jo: Danby's his 4.th Son, George, being Christened today, at Six, M^r Jn.^o Pease Sen.^r and his wife came from Darnton and stayd all night Friday the Twenty Fifth, after breakfast M^r. and M.^{rs} Pease took Horse for Whitby, I set them to Scaling where we drank Tea and parted, I wrote to my Mother at Greenwich.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth, I read the 22nd: 23rd: and 24.th Numbers of Smollet's History, see the 22nd inst: Tho.^s went to Stokesley, and between three and four, I rode with my Uncle across Barnaby Moor, and to Eston Nab,

Sunday the Twenty Seventh, I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, my Un: as usual only in the forenoon, I walked to M^r. Etheringtons after dinner, Master William Chaloner, about 13 years old, Heir to the Gisbr:^o Estate, arrived this evening from Eton School, for a little time.

Monday the Twenty Eighth, this is the first Lady Fair called, M^r: Preston of Stokesley, and M^r. Wardell of Boulby dined and returns to their respective homes, after dinner M^r. Jackson askd me to drink a glass with him, w^{ch} I did at his House, M^r. Cookson of Shields, M^r. Wood of Merinton, and M^r, Surtees (Geo: Surtees Esq.^{rs} Brother) being there, in their road to Scarbr:^o I went with Jn.^o commonly called Chief Jackson of Lackenby to the Cock a little and drank tea at Merch.^t Jackson's

Tuesday the Twenty Ninth, in the evening I took a walk with Jack, with each a fishing Rod up Hutton Beck, where we catchd a Doz.ⁿ Trouts, viz: myself 2, and Jack 10; M^r: Maddison Attorney of Stockton dined, did business with my Uncle, and about four went to M^{rs} Chaloners, where he laid all night, but his Horse being here, on Wednesday the Thirtieth, he came in the morning and took Horse at our House for home, I walkd to M^r Etherington's in the forenoon, and about four after dinner I went to Rich.^d Clark's with Jn:^o Husband for an hour, where we found the above's (M^r. Etherington's) two Daughters, I drank a single dish of Tea.

Thursday the Thirty first and last Day, After dinner I rode to Boulby where I lay all night, but called for an hour or two at Grainge where they were Shearing Wheat.

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Friday the First, M^r. Wardell and I got up at four, breakfasted, and rode to Whitby where we drank Tea at M^r. Pease's, then proceeded to beyond Old Peak works, (now laid by) to look upon some Kelp that W^m Willis my Uncle's Tenant has been burning for my Uncle, M^r. Wardell agreed to take it about 20 Tun at 40 Shill.^s p Tun, deliverd at Staiths, so we returnd to Whitby, where we dined at the Publick House, then drank Tea at M^r. Pease's and we set out, M^r. Wardell for Boulby, and I for Gisbr:^o where I arrivd between Eight and Nine, my Un: was gone to bed.

Saturday the Second, I walkd to Fran:^s Fox's at the Factory, I read Stephen White Rector of Holton in Suffolk's Treatise on Bees, publishd in 1756,.

Sunday the Third, W^m White came in the morning and returnd after dinner to Grainge my Un: did not go to Church but I went twice, I had a Letter from my Mo.^r dated GreenW^{ch} Aug.st 29: fixing the 4.th of Sep.^b (tomorrow) for her leaving London in comp.^a with Miss Pease in the Post Chaise, I wrote to M^r. Jn.^o Pease Sen.^r at Whitby. Rain fell all day, wind at N: E. and on.

Monday the Fourth, Rain'd all last night and most of this day, wind S: E. I went up street twice or thrice and to M^r. Etheringtons for two Hours, Jack took one of the Hives in the School yard belonging to him and the Dame's Daught.^r Betty,

Tuesday the Fifth, I got up a' Six, and with Jack suffocated the Third and last Swarm that our Hive cast, on Thursday the 29:th of June last the other two we let live, imagining they will survive winter, as also the old Stock, after they were suffocated I sought for the Queen Bee, and found her, she being much larger and differently shapd from her subjects, her Body and Legs being yellower, her Body or Tale part longer, her wings very short, and her Shoulders of a Shining Brown &ca, I have preservd her (and one of her subjects) as curious. the Hive had about 7, or 8 pounds of Honey and Comb, which I keep for house use, in the evening I went to M.^{rs} Chaloner's wth my Uncle's Compliments and to desire she wou'd let her Sons (being now both at home) especially the younger, James, go with us tomorrow to Boulby and Grainge, ~~which~~ she consented to for the latter I stayd about an hour and then returnd home

Wednesday the Sixth. the morning being Stormey my Un: and Mas:^r Ja^s Chaloner, (see yesterday) did not go, but I went to Grainge, and I met with M^r. Wardell near his Barn, I returnd by Brotten, and after, I walkd to M^r Fox's at Factory, and helped Alex.^r Pulman and Jack, to take their Hive of Bees, by Suffocation. I begun to read to my Uncle in the

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evening Edw:^d Clark's Schoolmaster, together with a brief Acco.^t of the several Persecutions, Massacres, Plots, &^c &^c, by the Papists in several Countrys, Thursday the Seventh, I expected my Mo.^r and Miss Pease at Gisbro' today in consequence of a Lett.^r I had from M^r. Pease, confirming their intentions of setting out as last Monday from London from a Letter he had last Post from his Daugh.^r. I read the 25.th N.^o of Smollet's History see Saturday 26.th Ult.^o

Friday the Eighth, I read the 26.th N.^o of Smollet's History, see yesterday, in the forenoon Pet.^r Consett Esq.^r of Braworth came and paid my Uncle his principle Sum, but borrd 80£ for a short time, I had a Letter from Cous:ⁿ Bell.^a Pease from Thirsk, being a summons for me to meet my Mother and her at Bessy Bell's, (Ingleby Cross), accordingly after dinner, (M^r. Consett and I dined, but my Un: went to the Justices at the Cock) I set forward and met the Chaise with them about two Miles on this side of the place appointed, we called and drank Tea at Stokesley, and at Eight arrived safe at Gisbro', my Mother only having a little soreness in her Eyes, and the Tooth Ach sometimes,.

Saturday the Ninth, about Ten I mounted my Un:^s Mair and carried Co:^s B: Pease behind me to Whitby, the Man M^r. Pease sent having carried her cloth's, I stayd all night, as also on Sunday the Tenth, I did not go to Church, but in the afternoon M^r and M^{rs} Pease, M^{rs} Bateman, and Cous:ⁿ Bell: walked to Russup and viewd the ~~Mill~~ Boulting Mill erected there of late years by the present Chomlmley Esq.^r and on Monday the Eleventh, at Eight I left Whitby and dined here with my Un: and Mother, I walkd up street for an hour or two.

Tuesday the Twelfth, I wrote to my Bro.^r Geo: and also to M^r. James of westauckland inviting him to come to Gisbro' while my Mother is here, her Eyes and Tooth continues to be very troublesome, in the evening I walkd with M^r. Forster to M^{rs} Chaloner's Park to see my Bro.^r Geo:^s gone two years old Colt, now running there, as we returnd we started two Hairs, having some Greyhounds, but did not kill either of them, I was much paind in a Tooth, which occasiond me on

Wednesday the Thirteenth before One in the morning to get up at which time I write this, having struck a light, I went to bed before four and laid till Seven, when I got on my Boots to go with Thom.^s to M^r. Ustlers but finding myself ill was obligd to go to bed and Jos: Danby went wth Thom.^s as above, my Mo.^r gave me One of my Un: Jos.^a Pills which

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operated by pucker extremely well I also sweet much, in the evening I got up and sat till past Nine when I went to bed in the sick parlour, slept well, and on

Thursday the Fourteenth, am much better, my Uncle and Tho.^s rode to Grainge

Friday the Fifteenth. I had violent pain in my Teeth, my Mother, Tho.^s Preswick and self, drank Tea at M^{rs}. Lincoln's.

Saturday the Sixteenth, after breakfast Tho.^s and self rode to Skelton to take M^r Bissett's advice about my Teeth, he attempted to burn the Nerve it being a hollow, but I know not whether he effected it or not.

Sunday the Seventeenth, my Uncle went to Church, but my teeth paid me so much I did not go, nor my Mother, I had also a violent pain in my right Temple, my Mo.^r wrote to Sis.^r Dolly to come wth the Chaise on Friday

Monday the Eighteenth, I was much as yesterday, not any body dined with us.

Tuesday the Nineteenth, I wrote to my Bro.^r about Tho.^s Longbottom's Son, deceased on board his Majesty's Ship Devonshire in 1757,

Wednesday the Twentieth. I am much better in my Teeth, this is latter Lady fair, M^r Wardell and M^r. Preston dined with us, and in the afternoon George Mewburn and his wife drank Tea wth my Mo.^r.

Thursday the Twenty first, M^{rs}. Lincoln drank Tea with my Mother and M^{rs} Ann Cornforth sat an hour in the evening.

Friday the Twenty Second, Ol: Preswick sat an hour and drank Tea with my Mother, and about Six Sis.^r Dolly came with the Chaise.

Saturday the Twenty Third, before my Mo.^r Sis.^r Doll, and self set off for Richmond my Uncle told my Mother she might come to Winn House in Gisbro'. We dined at Yarm, and reached Richmond before Seven, after I had got my Boots off, my Mother missed her purse upon which I mounted my Mair and rode to Catterick bridge where I found in the Chaise bottom among the Hay, the Purse with about 12 Guinea's in it (10 of w^{ch} my Uncle gave her).

Sunday the Twenty Fourth, Sis.^r Han.^a and self went to Richmond Church twice, M^r Fran.^s Allen drank Tea and I went down street an hou^r

Monday the Twenty fifth, being Rud' fair-day at Richmond I went down street, M^r W^m Allen sat the afternoon.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth, I walkd down street read the News and breakfasted with the Rev.nd M^r Stoop, after dinner I carried Sis.^r Han.^a behind me to Gilling where I bespoke

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a Wig of M^r Watson, on our return we called at M^r Wilkinson's at Oliver and drank Coffee.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh, at Nine I left Richmond, and came strait through to Gisbro', without calling at, upon the Black Mair I found my Uncle very well.

Thursday the Twenty Eighth, I walked up street, after dinner drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincoln's, and Ol^r Preswick sat two or three hours with us (my Un: and I) in the evening. Friday the Twenty Ninth. I helped Thom.^s to dress some Unions, wrote to my Mother at Richmond, walked wth Thom.^s into the Ground a'back of Winn House. in the evening I read to my Un: in a book, see Sep.^r 6.th inst.

Saturday the Thirtieth and last day, I walked to Fran:^s Fox's at the Factory, and then rode to Grainge and Boulby, returnd at Fou^r

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Sunday the First, I went to Church twice, my Uncle once, in the evening read one of B:p Sharp's Sermons.

Monday the Second, W^m White came from Grainge and bought 22 Bush.^s of Seed Wheat of Geo: Meuburn, Butcher, M^r. Wardell dined in his road to Bishopbrig, my Uncle askd M^{rs} Chaloner leave for my Mother to come to live in Winn House which she agreed to with pleasure, I drank a glass wth Thom.^s Preswick and W^m Colthirst at W^m Lincolns till half an hour past Ten.

Tuesday the Third. I finished reading Keill's Astronomical Lectures, see Tuesday 18.th July last, I walked wth Thom.^s Preswick to see some Beans now in reaping of M^{rs} Lincoln's, and to Long Hull, where my Un: is building a Cow House for Jn.^o Johnson.

Wednesday the Fourth, at Seven W^m Colthirst and I set off for Stockton, we called and breakfasted at Geo: Meuburn's, Butcher, and stayed much longer than intended on Acco^t. of talking wth old Jn.^o Wilkinson, George went with us to Stockton, I dined at the ordinary being Market day, then I bespoke a pair of Boots of Jn.^o Grey, and went to M^r Peacock's (see Monday 21.st Aug.st), who shewd me his conveniences for Bees, in the Box's, I sat with him at his House with M^r Chr: Masterman Crimp, and W^m Masterman Attorney both of London till four, and then returned with William Colthirst.

Thursday the Fifth, I road to Long Hull, see the top of this page, and in the afternoon I walked there again, wth Jn.^o Johnson and W^m Hobkirk, (Bricklayer,) and with Jn.^o Lamb

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the Builder measured the House, there was 18^{Rood}: 6^y: 0^{feet}..8^{In}: which at 4^s: 6.^d p Rood amounted to £5.5^s.7^d, which Jn.^o Johnson paid in my presence.

Friday the Sixth, I helped to pull some Red apples in the low-end of the Oarchard, and in the afternoon went up street and saw a Bull baited, which was the first I ever saw, then Tho.^s Preswick being one of the Jury chose today, pressed me to drink a glass with them, which I did, for an hour M^r Jo:^p Danby (Grocer) being Foreman

Saturday the Seventh, my Uncle and Tho.^s Preswick rode to Stokesley, and I helpd Jack to lead 1150 Tiles to cover the House built for Jn.^o Johnson, see Thursday the 5.th inst.: my Uncle returnd from Stokesley at One, but Thom. did not come till fou^r

Sunday the Eighth, Being silent Sunday I read the Lessons &^c, and a Sermon to my Uncle in the evening, rain all day, Wind S.^o I wrote to my Mother at Richmond.

Monday the Ninth. from three o'Clock this morning 'twas most Stormy, Wind N.^o with Rain, I helped to pull the Walnuts, and in the evening drank a glass wth M^r Forster, Thom.^s &^c

Tuesday the Tenth, I dined at Twelve with my Uncle, and rode to Grainge and Back by five

Wednesday the Eleventh. I begun to read Clark's Treatise on Fluids, Natural and artifi^{ch} w^{ch} I borrd of Jn.^o Aysley, (Plumber and Glasier) in the afternoon I took a walk with Jn.^o Husband to W^m Weatherel.

Thursday the Twelfth, it has been a hard frost last night, about Eleven W^m White came from Grainge, and Jack and I rode with him to Rob.^t Jacson's at Easton who has some Wether's (Sheep) to sell but Will: and he did not agree about the price so I returnd, but Will: and Jack proceeded to Geo: Meuburn's (Butcher) and brought a Tup from thence w^{ch} he had for my Uncle, Will: went to Grainge at night.

Friday the Thirteenth, about Nine M^r Ra: Ward Jun.^{r4} and M^r Jn.^o Jefferson arrived from London, we walked to M^{rs} Fox's and drank Tea in the afternoon with her, 'twas a hard frost last night again.

Saturday the Fourteenth, in the morning, M^r. Jn.^o Jefferson (see yesterday) went to Staiths but M^r. Ra: Ward stayed here, we walked to the Top of Spring Wood and to High Cliff Nab, after dinner, we walked into M^{rs} Chaloner's Gardens and my Un: came home from Grainge having gone as far as there in the morning wth M^r Jefferson

⁴ a grandson of Ralph's uncle, John Ward

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Sunday the Fifteenth, M^r. Ra: Ward Jun.^r and self went to Church twice, my Uncle once, the Rev:nd M^r. Hide dined with us; W^m White came from Grainge in the morning and returned at evening, after my Un: went to bed M^r Ward and self walked to the Church yard, then up Bellmangate, and home, the moon shining bright

Monday the Sixteenth, M^r. Ra: Ward Jun.^r and self were called up about five, and walked with Jack and Alex.^r to M.^{rs} Chaloner's Park, and fetched from thence my Bro.^r Geo:^s Colt. M^r. Masterman Solicitor of London, and M^r. Preston attorney, dined at our House, then M^r: R: Ward and self walked to Waterfall and viewed Ol: Preswick's Mill for beating Hemp, &^c.

Tuesday the Seventeenth, early M^r R: Ward and self, rode to Grainge, he there intended to give Will: White 3.^d but I dissuaded him from giving any thing, rather than that, at Boulby he gave Gilb.^t Cole 3.^d for breaking up a Hogshead of Allom, we then rode to Staiths but M^r Jn.^o Jefferson being gone to the Rev:nd M^r. Todd's Curate of Hinderwell, we rode thither, and dined with him there, the Revnd M^r. Dutton Rector of Hinderwell being there, at three we returned home

Wednesday the Eighteenth, at Six my Uncle and Thom.^s Preswick mounted for Stockton, today, and for Yarm Fair tomorrow at Eight M^r. Ra: Ward and self, with Jack and Alex.^r went a Greyhound coursing with M^r Jackson's Dogs (w^{ch} my Un: bid me borrow) towards Spring Wood we started or found 7 Hares in the Wood, One of which the Dogs killed, and another Jn.^o Walker very dextrously knocked on the Head with a Stick while upon her seat, we killed no more to day tho' we started other 4 in the fields, when we returned home (at two) and had half dined M^r Ad.^m Boulby called in his road from Whitby to Newcastle, and stayed an hour, in the evening M^r. R Ward and self slept at Ol.^r Preswick's, and sat till near Eleven, M^r: R: Ward was ill in the night.

Thursday the Nineteenth, after dinner M^r. R: Ward and self rode with Mess.^{rs} Jackson Sen.^r, Longbottom, and Forster, a Greyhound coursing near Skelton Park, we started but one Hair, and killed her after a fine view, after we got home, my Uncle and Thom.^s returned from Yarm Fair

Friday the Twentieth, I walked wth M^r: R: Ward to Fran:^s Fox's at the Factory, and up street. I read the 29.th N.^o of Smollet's History of England, Cous:ⁿ Bell.^a Pease dined with us in her road from Whitby to Darlington.

Saturday the Twenty First, in the forenoon M^r. R: Ward with me took a walk to the foot of spring wood wth M^r. Jackson's Greyhounds which accidentally came to us, but we

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found no Hairs, my Un: is not well having catchd some cold, he went to bed after dinner and took a doze of my Un: Jos.^{a's} Sweat, Jack also being very ill took the Pill and Drop which operated very well, and he went to bed about five, when he begun to sweat much, and was easie^r

Sunday the Twenty Second, my Uncle and Jack are both better, the former did not go to Church, but M^r. R: Ward and I went twice, after dinner we walked to Fran.^s Fox's House,

Monday the Twenty Third, I walked up street with M^r. R: Ward, M^r. Hall of Skelton calld for half an hour before dinner, M^r Preston dined with us.

Tuesday the Twenty Fourth, at five M^r R: Ward attended by Alex.^r Pulman set out for Newcastle, Arch.^{re} Lorrain and Benj.^a Reed both of Stockton, the foremer, M^r Sutton's Clerk, and the other, M^r; Preston's an Attorney of Stockton came before dinn:^r and dined, my Un: lent with them 900£ upon a Mortgage from M^r Richardson Farrend, M^r Sutton, W^m Webster and Jn.^o Watson being Trustees for the Estate, (M^r. Farrand having faild lately), my Uncle was not quite satisfied with the deed, but will enquire further about it;. I wrote to my Bro:^r Geo and to my Sis.^r Wilson, I also walked to Fran:^s Fox's at the Factory for two Hours;. my Uncle went up to the sign of the Cock in the evening, to the Comm.^{rs} of the Excise, to get money for draughts.

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth. I read the 30:th & 31:st N.^{os} of Smollet's History of England, see the 20:th inst: I also read in Clark's Fluids, see the 11:th inst.^I sat the even.^g Wth^ Geo: Deighton at the Cock

Thursday the Twenty Sixth, in the morning I spent an hour with Geo: Deighton at the Cock, then took my leave of him, and rode to Grainge, I went as far as the Barns towards Boulby, but hearing M^r. Wardell was not at home I returnd at four to Gisbro'.

Friday the Twenty Seventh, I read in Clark's Fluids, walked to Fran.^s Fox's, and drank Tea at M^r Jacksons. my Un: is worse in the Cold he got ab.^t Yarm Fair

Saturday the Twenty Eighth, my Uncle is worse today, and Doct.^r Proddy sent something down for him to take, M^r. R: Ward, see last Tuesday, should have returnd yesterday but is not come yet, 9 o'Clock at night, I walked to Fran:^s Fox's, and read, see yesterday.

Sunday the Twenty Ninth, my Uncle is better today, I went to Church twice, W^m White came from Grainge & returnd.

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Monday the Thirteenth. M^r Wardell & M^r Preston dined, my Uncle is much the same I sat with M^r Preston an hour at his Hoast House W^m white came from Grainge to acquaint my Un: that one of the Oxen is Lake strung ^or rather string bound^, he returnd with orders to kill the Ox tomorrow, I did not see W^m White, drank Tea at Ol:

Preswick's. the four last days have been very stormey, wind at South.

Tuesday the Thirty first, & last day, a heavy Gale came on again this last night from the South, my Uncle had a pretty good night but grew worse in the day, and towards evening was worse still, I accidentally saw Doctor Wayne riding up the Town to Skelton, and desired him to call on his return, which he did, & orderd that my Uncle should be bled in the morning, I drank Tea with him at M^r Jackson's, and wrote to my Mother, w^{ch} I also did on Sunday, giving her an Acco.^t of my Uncle's indisposition, I walked to Fran:^s Fox's at the Factory with the Newspapers, the King of Prussia having been defeated at Bautzen near Dresden, by Marshall Daun the Austrian General,.

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Wednesday the First, at Seven I set out for Stockton, when I came at the Boat I met M^r Ra: Ward ^& Alex.^r^ returning from Newcastle, see Tuesday the 24.th Ult.^o they should have returned last Friday,. I waited at Stockton till past eleven of Preston Attorney of stoxley when he came, but should 'a' been there at Ten. he examined the writings I carried, being about M^r Richardson Ferrand's Affair see Tuesday the 24.th Ult.^o, then we dined, M^r Pears Sen.^r & M^r Jn.^o Preston Jun.^r being at the same House, then we went to M^r Ra: Bradley's Attorney, or rather Lawyer with whom the remainder of our business ^paid Jn.^o Grey for a pair of New Boots, and mend.^g ano.^r pair^ related, the writings of Mortgage were found valid enough, then we took Horse & returnd to our respective Homes. I called at George Mewburn's to see old Jn.^o Wilkinson, & drank Tea, my Uncle is somewhat better today.

Thursday the Second. I walked with M^r: R: Ward up street & also to Fran.^s Fox's, I begun to read Milton's Paradise lost.

Friday the Third, I had a Letter from my Mother, and one from Sis.^r Dolly from WestAuckland telling me of M^r James's four Children (all Girls) being inoculated by Doct.^r Dunn, but upon none of the Small pox appearing on any of the Children, the Doctor had again inoculated them, I walked to Fran.^s Fox's wth R: Ward, I read in Milton, see yesterday and all so the 32.nd N.^o of Smollet's History of England, see

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Wednesday gone a sen'night, I answerd my Mo.^{r's} Lette^r my Un: has been somewhat better of the pain in his Breast, yesterday & today, some appearances of the Gout being found in his feet.

Saturday the Fourth, In the morning M^r. R: Ward attended by Jack rode to Staiths, the former to make a stay & accordingly, keeps my Uncle's Horse there on my Uncle's getting up he found the Gout to a high degree in his feet, perticularly in his right foot, about four in the afternoon he came down into the low (or Sick) Parlour, soon after, Doct.^r Wayne of Stokesley called, on his return from Staiths, where he had been to visit Rob.^t Campion, who is dangerously ill of the Stone in his Bladder, the Docter stayd here all night with his Horses, Apoth:^y Proddy supt with us, & sat in the Closet till past Twelve, my Un: having gone to bed at Eight in the sick parlour, the Gout being more violent in his right foot, Jack laid upon the Squab, but about Twelve my Un: being very uneasy ^got up &^ laid thereon the remainder of the night.

Sunday the Fifth. is worse, having a violent Cough that has attended him from the beginning, and Dot.^r Wayne wth M^r Proddy fear the Gout at his Stomach, the former went home before dinner, I did not go to Church I wrote to my Mother, Bro.^r Geo: & Sis.^r Dolly at W Auckland, my Un: got into Bed at three, in the sick Parlour; as he was very uneasy about Eight, M^r Proddy advised him to send for Doct.^r Askew Sen:^r from Newcastle, which I seconded, but without effect, he had an easy night.

Monday the Sixth. He got up at Eight & continued till 8 at night, the Gout violent in right foot, but better in his Stomach, M^r Preston dined, I walked up street twice, a fine day. my Uncle had an easy night.

Tuesday the Seventh. and has no pain about his Stomach, his foot sorer, M^r. R: Ward returnd from Staiths, to dinner, see last Saturday, we walked to Fran:^s Fox's I wrote to my Mother, & to M^r Jn.^o Pease Jun.^r of Darn'ton, ^Doct.^r Proddy sat till Ten^ on my Uncle's Account.

Wednesday the Eighth. I got up early and rode to Grainge, & returnd to dinner, my Uncle has had a good night & is much better, M^r. Proddy supt & sat till past Eight.

Thursday the Ninth, yesterday about 3 in the afternoon, we had a single Flash of Lightning & a Clap of Thund.^r. my Un: has had a pretty good night, & is somewhat better, I walked up street and to Fran.^s Fox's with M^r: R: Ward; my Un: is bette^r

Friday the Tenth. and continues so, I walked wth M^r. Ra. Ward to Fran:^s Fox's, in the evening M^{rs} Pease of Whitby came.

Saturday the Eleventh, she mounted at Eight & proceeded for Darlington, expecting her Son John's Wife near delivery of her first child, I set her to Forster Howl ^& returnd against dinn.r^; I walked wth Mr. R: Ward to Fran.s Fox's; my Uncle continues to strengthen, but is not yet able to get out of the low paolour, having been there since this day Sennight, & Jack laying upon the Coutch, M^r. Proddy came down in the evening & drank some punch, as he has done for some nights past; I finishd reading Clark's Treatise on Fluids, borrowd of Jn.^o Aysley, see the 13th Ult.^o

Sunday the Twelfth, being silent, I wrote to my Mother, and walked with Ra: Ward Jun.^r to M^r Fox's where we drank Tea, my Un: recovers, Jn.^o Price Sen.^r came this evening. Monday the Thirteenth, being a fair day I walked into the Beast Market wth M^r. R: Ward, there was a pretty good shew, after breakfast, I went with Jack to the top of Spring Wood to look at our Quarry ^part of^ which Nich.^s Patten lays claim ^to^, but he not being there, & Jack & I having each a Gun, sought for a Hare in the wood, & found one, which Jack killed, my Un: woud not allow R: Ward nor Jn.^o Price to go with us, after dinner Ra: Ward set off for Staiths, & I walked out with Willy Cornforth on the North side of the Town, with each a Gun, to endev.^r to kill a Wood Cock, but saw none, I fired twice at common birds but missed; after supper when my Un: was gone to bed (in the parlour) somewhat better, I went to Thom.^s Corney's at the sign of the three Fiddles, & sat the evening there wth Willy Jackson (Jun.^r) Willy Cornforth, & Willy Postgate, we parted at one, the two former & self ^return'd^ to our homes, but the latter, (Will: Postgate) walked down street & broke Rob.^t Taleboy's window boards, who persued him, & took ^or dragged^ him to his House again, & there abused ~~him~~ ^&^ confined ^him^ till five, when he releasd him, & went to Justice Skottoe for a warrant, which Will: cancelld on.

Tuesday the Fourteenth, by paying the charge thereof &^c, but immeadiately orderd M^r Forster to write to him & intended to send for a Writt on Account of the ill usage he had receivd, but Willy Jackson & I, perswaded ^him^ to drop it, as from many circumstances he appeard to be guilty, tho' denied it himself, for he the other night by his own confession, stopt up Taleboys Chimney at the top, & some years ago broke his windows, & being caught in the Fact sufferd ill usage & Shame, which has rivitted Revenge in him ever Since. ^I was concernd wth company of such things, before^

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This morning M^r Ad: Boulby breakfasted in his road from Newcastle to Whitby - Jack and I went to the Quarry again with our Guns, but saw nothing, nor Patten did not attend as he promised & appointed, after dinner I helped Jn.^o Price to dress some stick heads Wednesday the Fifteenth, I helped to John Price as yeaterday, M^r. R: Ward returnd from Staiths, see last Monday, M^r. R: Ward goes away in the morning.

Thursday the Sixteenth, at Seven M^r Ra: Ward took leave of my Un: having been here, & on visits from hence since the 13.th Ult.^o I attended him to Stokesley, breakfasted, & parted, Alex.^r Pulman carried his Cloths to Thirsk, I returnd to dinner, Jn.^o Price also went away this morning, see last Sunday I walked to Franc:^s Fox's, my Un: is better having been up stairs both last Sunday, Tuesday, & today, but lays yet in the Parlou^r Friday the Seventeenth, I had a Letter from my Mother today, she is but poorly, I read the 33.rd 34.th & 35:th N.^os of Smollets History of England see the 3.rd inst: the two former have not the Mark thus ✕ (by which I distinguish the Books I've read) my Uncle having carried them upstairs before I'd an opportunity, he is bette^r

Saturday the Eighteenth, I rode to Grainge, then to Boulby where I dined wth the Rev:^{md} M^r. Caley Rector of Easington, at M^rWardell's, I returnd in the evening wet thro'.

Sunday the Nineteenth, I went to Church twice, wrote to my Sis.^r Hannah in answ^r to ~~one~~ a Lett.^r I had from her yesterday, my Mo.^r being ill; and I drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincoln's with Thom:^s and tho', I was but half an hour out of the room, my Uncle found great fault with me for going out on a Sunday evening, he is better much today, but lays in the parlou^r

Monday the Twentieth. I walked up street several times, the Sale of Zach:^a Harnage Moor Esq.^rs ^Goods^ were publickly called at the Cross, to be sold at Lofthouse, tomorrow, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, Miss Moor having put a ^his^ bond in Judgment, in execution, which he has given her in lieu of her Fortune, w^{ch} was either 5, or 6,000£ by her Father's Will.

Tuesday the Twenty First, I read the 36:th & 37:th N.^os of Smollet's History of England to my Un: in the sick parlour, he continues to recover, I walked to Fran.^c Fox's at Factory

Wednesday the Twenty Second, M^r W^m Jackson Jun.^r & self breakfasted at our house, & set out together for Lofthouse to the sale of Goods, see last Monday, the Cattle were sold today, in the evening I went with M^r. Wardell to Boulby & laid there - we called at Grainge as we went ^to Boulby^,

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Thursday the Twenty Third, Jn.^o Jefferson came up to Boulby, & rode to Lofthouse with M^r. Wardell & I, ^some of^ the Best household ^Goods^ were sold today, I bo.^t a Marble Slab & the Brackets for £1.11, & returnd to Gisbro' in the evening.

Friday the ^20^ Fourth, I rode to Lofthouse, see Wednesday, some of the household Goods were again sold today, but I bought none tho' bid for some Chairs, & Chest of Drawers, things have been sold very dear, I returnd to Gisbro' in the evening, & found my Un: no better than on Tuesday.

Saturday the Twenty Fifth, in the afternoon M^r. Hide sat an hour with my Uncle, Rob.^t Suggett of Lofthouse being arrested by Bowvill of Stoxley for 148£ at the suit of M^r Chapman for some Coals ^he had got^ for M^r. Moor's Allom works, w^{ch} Suggett expected were payd for (by M^r Moor) wrote to my Un: from the Cock, in Gisbro' advising him of his situation, & begging his assistance, my Uncle sent me to tell him he woud not relieve him, as he has so often broke promises to my Uncle about the Mortgage he gave my Un: of some Land near Grainge, so that the Bailiff proceeded with him to Stokesley in their rode to York Castle.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth, I wrote to Sis.^r Dolly, & to Cous:ⁿ Ra: Ward in answer to Letters I had from each of 'em last Post, I also answerd another Letter I had today from Cous.ⁿ Jn.^o Pease Jun.^r of Dar'nton, whose wife was brought to bed last Sunday of her first Child, a Daughter; I went to Church twice; in the morning Marmaduke Foggythwaite, my Uncle's Tennant near N.^o Allerton went away, having stayd all night. his Farm is £45.8.^s p Ann: my Un: pays Land Tax.

Monday the Twenty Seventh, my Un: having steeped his feet in warm water & Salt last night is better today; I walked up street after dinner drank a glass of Punch with M^r Preston Sen.^r at his Inn, Mary Havelock's; he din'd with us, as did W^m Stevens, returnd from Newcastle, see the 13th June last, he brought me a Letter from my late Mas.^r with an Acco.^t of Charges for W^m Stevens, as for Board, Schooling &^c amounting to £10. 8^s: the Lad walked from Newcastle to his Father's in two days, ^tho' my Mast.^r sent a Horse & Man with him to Durham^ I ~~began to~~ ^finished^ reading Milton's Paradise lost, see Thursday the 2:nd Ult.^o; we have had high Winds (but dry) from the South all the latter end of the yea^r

Tuesday the Twenty Eight, in the forenoon W^m Stevens & self look'd upon the Celastial Globe, I walked to Fran:^s Fox's after dinner,

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth, at Eight Jack & I set out for Boulby, he carrd some Onions &c. for M^r Wardell, but as we found him at his Barns, I sent Jack down to the Allom House wth his Carr:^a & stayd myself with M^r Wardell till he returnd, & then we went to Grainge & got something to eat; the Rev:^{rnd} M^r. Holdfield wth a Farmer's Son from near N.^o Allerton, came to see the conveniences, which I went through with them, & then ^wth Jack^ rode down to Lofthouse with them; where I saw W^m White who bo.^t some Corn at M^r. Moor's Canting⁵ And returnd at four,

Thursday the Thirtieth & last Day.

I wrote to my ^late^ Mas.^r M^r Jefferson of Newcastle & sent 5£ the Ball.^a of his Acco.^t see last Monday, & also sent 2.^s 6.^d for my Mas.^s Servant that set ^W^m Stevens^ upon Horse back to Durham, I walked with Thom; to Winn House Ground, & drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincoln's, my Uncle is bette^r

DECEMBER 1758

Friday the First, Jn.^o Campions Daughter that married Rob.^t Sugget, came to ask my Uncle's advice, but he could ^or would^ not advise them what to do, see last Saturday, my Un: is worse this evening having been up stairs today he still lays in the sick parlour, & Jack, on the Couth

Saturday the Second. W^m Stevens continues to stay here till Monday, I begun to read the 1.st vol: of M: Prior's Poem's; Apothe: Proddy sat an hour with my Un: in the evening; this is the end of five weeks that my Un: & Jack has laid in the low parlour, & continues to do.

Sunday the Third. I went to Church in the forenoon, but M^r. Hide being ill of a Roup⁶, did not do Duty in the afternoon, so I drank Tea at Fran:^s Fox's; this forenoon ^came^ the Malancholy News of Jn.^o Husband the Sadler's accidental Death, having been found this morning at Eleven ~~this morning~~ ^near^ Freebrough Hill; his Horse ^ (or rather Mare)^ was met at Eight coming homewards, W^m Hobkirk saw John at Whitby at three; which was not above five Minutes before he came from thence, but as Hobkirk was not ready to come away then, John set out single, he called at Schaling at one Charlton's & drank a about a Jill of Gin Bumbo upon Horseback & proceeded; Charlton says he was in Liquor, but Hobkirk declares to the contrary, as he was Sober when he came from

⁵ auction sale

⁶ hoarseness

Whitby, and 'twas not possible he had time to be entoxicated, having been only an hour & half from Whitby; he commonly in the winter went out of the common horse Road, and 'tis more than probable, that his Mare had stumbled with him, & he fell over her ~~neck~~ Shoulder, and dislocated his Neck ^this last is certain^, his Shin was also black, and an Arm; and 'tis likely he had then been but about half an from Scaling, and 'tis reasonable to think he must ^have^ died instantly, tho' some assert that he breathed strong at Eleven, (next day) when he was found, this notion is strengthen'd by the evidence of the Boy that first saw him, but this must have been only the effects of fear & surprize in the Lad, as he did not go near him, but went home & discovered what he had met with, he, with his Brother, & some Neighbour's that follow'd 'em, went to him & got him to the nearest House, & they declare he had colour in his face, but that he retained when he was put into the Coffin, which was sent in a Cart, on Monday the Fourth, and in the evening was brought home, his only Son (Christ.^r) about 14 years old also came from Pickering, where he was at the writing Arithmetick School, being sent for; Jacob Longbottom went last night to the House where Jn.^o Husband was carried to upon the Moor, & Will^m Hobkirk as above, called and stayed there all night in his return from Whitby, and from whom I had the above Account, and also that M^r Richardson (of Kirkleatham) the Coroner's inquest sat on him, & bro.^t in a verdict of Accidental Death, which may Suffise to convince some that he was not knocked down or killed, as is believed by them, for he had 5 Guineas, a 36 shill.^s piece, Eighteen Shillings in Silver & 6.^d in Copper when he was found, besides a key & his Letter case. he used to attend Whitby Market about Six weeks every latter end of late years, where he bought Bull's Hides, and had on Saturday bought Seventeen; I walked up street once.

Tuesday the Fifth. after dinner I went up to the Funeral of the above John Husband, who has been a widower about Six years, he was a kind Husband, a Tender & considerate Parent, and one of the most obliging Neighbours that I ever heard on, in the evening I went to the Cock, and sat till Eleven wth Rob.^t Hunter in his road to Whitby from Newcastle, where he is an Apprentice to a Sail Maker, but now near out of his time.

Wednesday the Sixth. I went to the Cock & breakfasted with him, then we took horse, and I rode to Boulby, he accompanied me so far, & then proceeded for Whitby. I carried M^r Wardell 30£ in Silver & 42£ in half Guineas for the pay, to be made on Friday come a sennight, he gave ^me^ 22£ in Cash (being all he had,) & his Note for the remaining

50£ to be paid me, for my Uncle on the pay day, I dined with him, called at Grainge, & returned, some Snow has fallen today.

Thursday the Seventh, about Twelve M^r W^m Hodgson Attorney at N.^o Allerton came from thence, & did business with my Un: and after dinner I mounted, & with him rode to Allerton, we called at Stokesley at M^r Lawson's, & at M^r Malevery's at Arncliffe. I had M^r Hodgson, & M^r Hen.^{ry} Wastall now an Ensign in L.^d Geo: Beauclere's Regim.^t of foot to spend the evening till two.

Friday the Eighth, I breakfasted at Rob.^t Richardson's the Landlords at N.^o Allerton, & rode to Beadale where I drank some Coffee at M^{rs} Bowes's & then proceeded to Richmond, M^r Fran.^s Allen drank Tea at my Mothers.

Saturday the Ninth. I walked down street into the Market in the afternoon, & saw all Friends.

Sunday the Tenth, I went to Richm:^d Church twice, Sis.^r Dolly but once, my Mother, not quite recovered of the Cold she got about a Month since, as did most of the People in the Country; M^r Fra.^s Allen dined at my Mothers.

Monday the Eleventh, I walked down street once or twice.

Tuesday the Twelfth, I looked over the Household goods with my Mother, & advised which to bring to Gisb^{ro} M^r. Stoop Curate, spent yesterday evening with me at my Mothers, & looked over some printed books, some of which we destroyed

Wednesday the Thirteenth, after dinner.^r I left Richmond & rode to Darn'ton where I lay all night at M^r. Peases.

Thursday the Fourteenth, I left Darn'ton, & dined at M^r. Forster's at Yarm, then proceeded on my return to Gisbrough where I found my Un: worse than when I left him, having the Gout severe in both feet, he still lays in the low parlour, & Jack on the Couch near him.

Friday the Fifteenth, I was called up at five, & with Jack, who carried a pye rode to Boulby, there being a half years pay of the workmen there, I received my Un: Rents for the Houses & Ground he lets to some of the workmen; M^r. Jn.^o Jefferson, the two Reverends M^r. Oldfield & M^r. Todd dined with M^r Wardell, Rob.^t Campion Sen.^r of Staiths died last Sunday, Jack & I returned in the evening.

Saturday the Sixteenth, I sat by my Uncle all day, in the low parlour, he having laid Six weeks there, & Jack on the Couch or Squab⁷, Thom: went to Stokesley.

⁷ sofa or ottoman

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Sunday the Seventeenth, I went to Church in the forenoon, the Rev.^d M^r Wilson of Aton did Duty on Account of M^r. Hides excessive cold, and in the afternoon there was no Duty so I spent an hour at M^r Jackson's; W^m White came from Grainge in the morning, & returned in the evening.

Monday the Eighteenth. M^r Wardell from Boulby dined, as did M^r Matthews the Attorney, then I went to the Cock wth them: this day M^r W^m Turner, M^r Maleverer, M^r Skottoe, & M^r Rog.^r Beckwith, Justices, met & Ballotted the Men to serve in the Militia for ^the^ whole weapontake of Langbaurch, but do not disclose their names of three weeks.

Tuesday the Nin'teenth, in the forenoon I read the Memoirs of Frederick the third K: of Prussia being a Pamphlet, after dinn.^r I walked to Fran.^s Fox's at the Factory, & to M^r Hides, & I sat an hour with M^r. Danby & Proddy &^c at Walker Pulmans; them (Mess^{rs} Danby & Proddy), Fran:^s Fox, & myself have agreed that if 'tis our lot to be, or rather are chosen, (see yesterday) to serve in the Militia we will contribute share & share alike to ~~pay~~ find a Man in our stead.

Wednesday the Twentieth. At Eight I set out for Boulby and called at Grainge as I went & returned, I dined with M^r Wardell and he returned with me to Lofthouse where I stopt half an hour, M^r Lawson the Attorney being there receiving the Rents for the Sun-fire-office, as likewise did Jn.^o Homan & Sam:^l Corney Butcher who returned wth me, they having been at M^r Wardell's & bought Nineteen Ewes.

Thursday the Twenty first, I read; my Un. is much the same, he still lying in the parlour, & Jack by him.

Friday the Twenty Second, in the morning early I rode to Jos.p Agar's to tell him to come to town for a Greyhound which M^r Proddy has given me, and he is to keep her, ^being^ his own request; I wrote to my Mo.^r & Bro.^r Geo: M^r ^Ben:^ Reed, an Attorney's Clerk came from Stockton with some writings relating to a Mortgage, see Tuesday the 24th Octo.^r last, he went away, and I went up street & got the Greyhound bitch, w^{ch} Jos.p Agar carried home, see the top of this page, I went out wth M^r Proddy & some others with his two Greyhounds, towards the park, we started two Hares but killed neither, my Uncle got up stairs twice today, Thom.^s & Jack gave to the poor of Gisbro' Parish £8. 18^s. 6^d.

Saturday the Twenty Third, in the morning I went up street & made Market as Thom.^s went to Stokesley, after ^dinn.^r^ I subscribed 5 Shill.^s for myself & the same for Fran:^s

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Fox, others between 18 & 50 years old subscribed only half a Crown towards raising a fund to hire Men to serve in the Militia, in the stead of the Men balloted for this Town, my Un: is so costive that he has had a blister applied & likewise half a Candle, but without effect, Proddy thinks him in dange^r he sat till past Twelve wth me.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth, my Un: by applying a Pill that Proddy sent down, is reliev'd, & much bette^r I went to Church in the forenoon, the Rev:^d M^r Husband did Duty as M^r Hide is still very ill, no Duty in the afternoon, I had a Lett. From my Mo.^r today with an Acco.^t of a Murder committed on Jn.^o Moor a Braser of Gilling yesterday sen'night in the evening, as he was returning ^home^ from Richm.^d the Person or Persons that executed the horrid deed are not yet discovered, he was shot in the body with Slugg shot, & afterward beat cruelly on the head, & was quite dead when found tho' only ab.^t a quarter of an hour after ~~aff~~ ^he^ had been spoke with I answerd my Mo.^{r's} Lett. read the 38.th N.^o of Smollet's History, & finished the 1.st vol: of Priors Poems

Christmas Day, Monday the Twenty Fifth, my Uncle is surprisingly better, I went to Church twice, Rev.^{md} M^r Husband officiated, I drank with him at M^r Hide's

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth, I read the 39.th & 40.th ^& 41.st^ Numb.^{rs} of Smollet's history of Engl.^d in the evening Apo: Proddy came down to see my Un: who is better; after he went to bed I walked up street wth Proddy & sat at the Cock till two in the morning.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh, at Eight I set out for Grainge where I stayd an hour, then I rode to Boulby & dined, the Darling laid on this morning & took in 43 Tons of Allom, I returnd at four, and at Nine Thom:^s Allen & his wife returnd from seeing his Mother at Sadbury, where they went on Monday, and dined here in their rode.

Thursday the 28:th, in the morning Thom.^s Allen & wife got breakfast with my Un: & then proceeded on their return to Whitby, my Un: gave her a Guinea, Jack set them to Ra: Franklands at Upton, but in going down the little bank to Skelton their Horse fell wth them, but no misfortune happened them, W^m Stevens who came the other day helped me to make a Book for my next Journal, W^m Cornforth sat with my Un: an hour, he is much bette^r

Friday the Twenty Ninth, I read the 41.st N.^o of Smollett's History, I drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincolns

Saturday the Thirtieth, I walkd upstreet, & in the evening went over to Nanny Cornforth's, & sat till Eleven with her Son William, M^r Jackson Jun.^r & Tho.^s Saunders of ^N.^oAllerton^.

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Sunday the Thirty first day of December & last of the year 1758.

I had a Letter from Sis.^r Do: I went to Church both forenoon and afternoon, M^r Hide was so well recoverd as to do Duty today.

JANUARY 1759

Monday the First Day of January. In the forenoon I walked to Jos.^p Ager's wth Jack, we all then went to the top of Kempler with the Greyhound bitch ^Doct.^r Proddy^ gave me, we saw a Hare but did not kill her, this is the first time I've been out with he^r I returnd to dinner, in the evening M^r Jackson invited Thom:^s Preswick ^& self^ to sit the evening at his House, which we did in Comp:^a with M^r Thompson of Shields, M^r Forster, & Oliver Preswick, till two o'Clock.

Tuesday the Second. I settled Thom:^s Account books with my Uncle, and likewise my own, after dinn.^r I rode towards the Park, & met with M^r Jackson Jun.^r Ol: Preswick, M^r Thomson M^r Forster &c, a Greyh.^d coursing according to appointm.^t see last night, they had killed two hares before I went, but none after, in the evening they had 'em roasted at Thom.^s Corney's, but I could not be there, as M^{rs} Pease Sen.^r wth her Eldest & youngest Sons Jn.^o & Bristoe laid here, on their road from Dar'nton to Whitby, my Mother was a Godmother at Darn'ton for M^r. Pease's eldest Daught.^r Elizabeth.

Wednesday the Third. I set M^{rs} Pease &^c, see yesterday, to Scaling, & returnd immeadiately wth a Boy that was coming from Whitby, Thom.^s Weatherell of ^or near^ Stokesley sattled with my Un: I then went up street with him to the Cock, & likewise M^r Jackson Jun.^r & Thom.^s Preswick, my Un: got out of door for the first time, but he still lays in the sick parlour wth Jack since the 4.th Nov.^r

Thursday the Fourth, I breakfasted with M^r Jackson Jun.^r then we both rode to Grainge, from thence to Saltburn, and then home at three, M^r Hide sat two hours, & then I drank Tea at M^r Jackson's

Friday the Fifth. Marg. Wright the School Dame dined here, my Uncle having had Six Children that was to go out, and took other Six in their steads.

Saturday the Sixth, at nine I rode to Grainge, & then to Ra: Franklands where I found W^m White & Antho' Aysley in Treaty about my Mair, but did not agree, I then went to Boulby where I dined, M^r Jn.^o Jefferson & Nath: Campion being there, I returnd at Six.

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Sunday the Seventh, I went to Church twice, M^r Pease & his Bro.^r Jem: dined in their road to Darn'ton see last Tuesday.

Monday the Eighth, I had a Letter from W^m White to let me know he had agreed wth Antho' Aysley for my Mair, price 7£ see last Saturday, Nath: Campion & Jn.^o Galilee came & stayd all night, I went to Fran.^s Fox's with them & walked up street to Doct.^r Proddys, where we stayd till five, the Doct.^r came down to Supp.^r & sat till Twelve, we were in the Foreparlour, as my Un: & Jack still lays in the Sick parlou^r

Tuesday the Ninth, after breakfast I rode wth Nath: Campion & Jn.^o Galilee to Grainge & thence to Boulby, where we all dined wth M^r Wardell, I left them at Three & returnd home, calling at Grainge.

Wednesday the Tenth, I walked to Fran.^s Fox's in the forenoon, and at dinner my Uncle told me he had a Letter from Coll: Gansell, who had a Challenge from Coll^o Vernon, & met according to appointment, but from what I can gather they were both easy about fighting. we ^have^ had remarkable dry weather lately, & high winds, so that one may travel off the Causways

Thursday the Eleventh, at Seven I rode to Grainge thence to Boulby. The two Rev:^{rnds} M^r Caley, & Oldfield, his wife, & Jn.^o Jefferson dined with M^r Wardell, I also drank Tea & got to Gisbro' at Seven; W^m White being at Boulby with a draught for the purpose I attended his taking the Slaughter utensils out of the House there, & ^he^ carried 'em to Grainge, to the New Slaughter House there, M^r Wardell also attended

Friday the Twelfth. the two sides of my Uncle's pig that was killed yesterday, was found this morning to weigh 18 Stone, without Head & feet, the above pig was bought of Jn.^o Thomas, (see the 18.th of Jan.^a last) in the evening I went to the Cock wth Thom.^s Preswick, and sat till Eleven with Mess^{rs} Proddy, Jackson, Jos.^p & Geo. Danby, & Gibson their Bro.^r in law, this was after my Uncle was gone to bed.

Saturday the Thirteenth, in the afternoon my Uncle & Jack ~~rode~~ took two turns upon Horseback into our low ground, but he still lays in the low parlour & Jack on the Couch.

Sunday the Fourteenth, this being the Month or silent Sunday, I read the Lessons & one of Sherlock's (now B^p. of London) Sermons to Thom^s & one of them to my Un:.

Monday the Fifteenth. M^r Wardell dined on his road to B-pbrig, as did Matt.^w

Robinson's Son near Whitby, I sat near two Hours wth M^r. Wardell, M^r. Lawson, & Proddy before he took Horse, ^& sat till Ten at Rich.^d Knagg's

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Tuesday the Sixteenth, after breakfast I called on Rich.^d Knaggs, Christ.^r Preswick and Jn.^o Walker, we then went to Jos.^p Agar's for my Greyh.^d Bitch, & Jn.^o Thomas's Dog, & ranged NorthW^d towards the Park, we ^started^ three or four hares but only killd one, we came ^home^ by dinn.^r; Will^m Willis dined here having come to speak to my Un: about some kelp at the Peak w^{ch} M^r Wardell has not sent for yet; (^see^ the 1.st of Sep. last) after my Un: went to bed (about Eight) Thom.^s & I went to Rich.^d Knaggs's, where was Oliver, & supt on the Hare, killed in the morning we came away at Eleven.

Wednesday the Seventh, after breakfast I rode to Grainge, got a little of something to eat, & rode on to M^r Wardell's Barn, but he not being at home (see Monday) I went no further but spoke to W^m Stevenson about the Kelp, see yesterday, and returnd,

Thursday the Eighteenth, after breakfast Thom.^s & I walked to Jos.^p Agar's, & as we were returning wth Jos.^p we met with Jn.^o Bird of Stokesley wth his Greyh.^d. Thom: Preswick left us, but we ranged northward towards the Park, but saw nothing, so I left them too, and got home at Eleven; after dinn.^r my Un: & I rode to the Freelidges, now let to Jn.^o Johnson.

Friday the Nineteenth, M^r Antho: Pearson of Sheilds called here, & gave my Uncle £14.13.^s 2³/₄^d for profits for 1/ ³² part of the Vulture of Westoe, Cous.ⁿ Bristoe Pease called here wth the Serv.^t on his road to Darn'ton to School; I wrote to my Mother by him; after dinn.^r my Un: & I rode to Longhull ground; I drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincoln's, & went over to Jac.^b Longbottom's, & saw the ground, a House in Northoutgate, & the Tolls sold, being part of the affects of Jn.^o Husband, the first M^r Proddy bo.^t for 75 £, the Second ~~M^r~~ Jn.^o Dale bo.^t for 17[£]. 10^s & the last W^m Kay son of Franc:^s Kay bought for £21 a year, for Seven years, I left them, and read to my Un: Smollet's History of Engl.^d having with ^in^ these few days read the 42^d, 43^d, 44.th & 45.th No.^s thereof, I have got a very great cold.

Saturday the Twenyeth. I had but an indifferent night my cold being worse. I finished the 2:^d vol: of Prior's Poems, and begun to read the 3:^d vol:

Sunday the Twenty First, M^r Preston, Thom.^s & W^m White dined, and then Thom.^s White gave M^r Preston the writings that concerns the Estate at Hinderwell w^{ch} he now lives on as Tennant, but will enter upon it as his own at May day, having bo.^t it of M^r W^m Sanderson of Staiths for 2,500 £ or 2,700£ I am not certain which, and my Un: is to lend him 1,000£, for which M^r Preston is to draw the Mortgate, as well as Title deeds of the Estate. I am better, but Jack is not well: The above Transactions were done on

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Monday the Twenty Second. instead of Sunday, when I did not go to Church being ill. this Monday evening Jack being ill my Un: spared him to lye upstairs in the rubbd room, Tuesday the Twenty Third, my Uncle being purely recoverd he laid in his own bed upstairs, having lain in the low parlour 11 weeks gone Saturday, see Saturday the 4th Nov.^r last, & Jack laid upon the Squab, or Couch all that time, till last Monday night, today I am better & finished reading the 3^d & last volume of Prior's Poems, see last Saturday.

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth, I am better, tho' cough's severely, but Jack continues ill of Swelld Chaps.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth, I am purely recoverd, & drank Tea at Oliv:^r Preswicks; my Un: road out by himself

Friday the Twenty Sixth. yesterday my Un: had a Box of China sent from Sis:^r Wilson. In the morning Thom:^s & I took a walk to Jos.^p Agars, & returnd at Ten. Jack is still poorly,

Saturday the Twenty Seventh. Jack is very ill, but I am well, except a swelling in my Chaps, w^{ch} is somewhat abated

Sunday the Twenty Eight, I had a Lett.^r from Sis.^r Dolly, my Mo.^r is at W:^t Auckland M^{rs} James has had a Son, I answerd my Sis.^r Dolly's Letter, I drank Tea at M^{rs} Lincoln's, but not being quite well I did not go to Church.

Monday the Twenty Ninth. Thom.^s Wharton dined here, my Un.^{'s} Tenant at Oakber holm; after dinner I went up street & sat at the Cock wth Attorney Lawson, Mich:^l Smith &^c. ^the Lot^ having fallen on me to serve as a Militia Man instead of a young man absent, the Rev.nd M^r Nelson was also with us, & will engage M^r W^m Turner to intercede with my Un: to qualifye me for an office^r I drank Tea at Ol: Preswick's.

Tuesday the Thirtieth. I begun to read the 1.st vol: of the Life of M^r. Cleveland in three volumes; the Rev.nd M^r Nelson, see yesterday, came wth a Letter from M^r W^m Turner to solicit my Un: to let me serve in the Militia, but he wou'd not consent.

Wednesday the Thirty first & Last Day, at Eight I set out for Whitby, I called at Grainge at Boulby; at Staiths; but M^r Jefferson was not at home, so I proceeded & called at Thom:^s White's at Hinderwell to look at a Horse that he has to sell, I had his Bro:^r W^m White there of Grainge; next, I called at Wid.^w Beckwith's ^at Lyth^ about the Greyhound; and then at one Beadnals for Interest for 120£ but he did not pay me, I reached Whitby at four

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February, Thursday the First. M^r Pease walked with me to Fishburn's new dock, and I went on board the Thom.^s & Richard, Nath.^l Campion Mast.^r she is going to have new decks laid; I then went among the owners of Ships, but received no profits, after dinner I went to M^r. adam Boulbys & sat half an hou^r in the evening I saw several Ships come in. Friday the Second, I left Whitby after having lived, & lodged at M^r Pease's all my stay, I called at Boulby & dined with M^r Wardell, old Thom.^s Fotherly, & his Son Mas:^r of the Darling being ^there^, I stoped at Grainge half an hour, I reachd home at five, & found Jn.^o Price & Son (Sam:^l) Jn.^o Jefferson had been to stay a night with my Un: since I left him.

Saturday the Third. in the morning I walked with Jn.^o Price & Son to Jn.^o Jefferson Farm at Tockets, where they Numberd & valued the wood on the Estate, being 68 Trees value £6. ^s1. 7;^d after dinn.^r Jn.^o Price & Son, & our Jack walked to below Skelton, where Price felled some Timber last Summer; and I rode out with my Uncle; Price &^c returnd & laid at our house again.

Sunday the Fourth. I went to Church twice, but my Un: is not yet able to walk so far, I wrote to Sis.^r Dolly & Bro:^r Geo: Jn.^o Price & Son continues here yet.

Monday the Fifth. W^m White came wth his Bro.^r Thomas, (see this day fortnight ^alias the Sunday by Mistake^), & dined as did M^r Preston, & Robert Appleby my Uncle's Tennant at Pate Hall, Jn.^o Price & Son continues till tomorrow morning, my Uncle bought a Grey Geulding rising five years old, of Thom.^s White, his Bro.^r Will: rides on him today that my Un: ~~may~~ ^might^ see him he's to give 10 Guineas to have something returnd; & I am to make the Price 12 Guineas but this my Un: knows nothing on, nor any body but Tho.^s & W^m White & myself; I drank some Punch wth them at M^r Preston's Inn.

Tuesday the Sixth, Jn.^o Price & Son went away; Jack heard today of his Fa:^{r's} being ill, but as he's a Chyle on his back, Alex.^r sets Jenny part of the way on Horseback to their Fathers; I read the 46:th & 47:th N.^{os} of Smollet's History see Tuesday y.^e 19.th Ult.^o,

Wednesday the Seventh, at Eight I set out for Grainge, ^&^ called at Brotten; ~~there~~ Tho.^s Sayers of Lofthouse killed an Ox today at Grainge, (for Jn.^o Galilee) being the first that was ever killed in that New Slaughter House, I rode from Grainge to Boulby upon the

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Grey Horse, (see Monday) but M^r Wardell not being home, I returnd to Gisbro' by Grainge. drank Tea at Ol: Preswick's.

Thursday the Eighth, at Seven I set out with Jack for Grainge and brought home the Tripes & feet of the Beast killed yesterday, his four Quarters weighed 81:^{sto} 7.^{lbs}, had 14:^{sto} 2.^{lbs} of Tallow, & his Hide weighed 7:^{sto}. M^r Wardell was there and we started a Hare with my Greyh.^d bitch which we carried with us, & one that M^r Wardell had but we lost her, after he went away we started one in the Upton Pasture wheat & killed her with my Greyhound only; Jack & I returnd at five, when I found M^r Hide with my Un: who sat till past Six. Jack had the grey Horse from Grainge see last Monday.

Friday the Ninth, as Jack heard yesterday of his Father's Death, see last Tuesday, he went at Six this morning to the Funeral, and return'd in the evening; I rode the Grey Horse out.

Saturday the Tenth, I rode the Grey Horse out; Jack & Alex.^r went with the cart & bro.^t some wood from Geo: Bennison's near Skelton.

Sunday the Eleventh, W^m White was here from Grainge & returnd in the evening 'tis silent Sunday, M^r Maddison & Son dined in their rode home from Whitby,

Monday the Twelfth, my Uncle got up street for the first time since he begun to be ill, & dined wth the Justices; Rob.^t Jackson of Eston dined with me, I drank at the Cock till Ten o'Clock, wth the Rev.nd M^r. Oldfield, Mich.^l & Rich.^d Smith, Proddy, & part of the time Justice Beckwith; my Un: woud not go to bed till I came home and was angry.

Tuesday the Thirteenth, I walked to Fran:^s Fox's, and drank Tea at M^r. Jackson's

Wednesday the Fourteenth, I finished reading the first vol: of M^r Cleveland's Life; before Ten my Un: & I set out for Grainge, where I left him & rode to M^r Wardell's Barn, then returnd to Grainge and dining at Will: White's we returnd to Gisbro.' before Six.

Thursday the Fifteenth, at Seven I set out for Yarm where I found Sis.^r Dolly at M^r Forster's, and after dinn.^r I returnd to Gisbro'; I rode upon the Grey horse.

Friday the Sixteenth. being appointed as a General Fast, see this day Twelvmonths; my ^Un:^ did not, or rather is not yet able to go to Church, so I went twice, we breakfasted at Eight, & dined upon Fish after evening prayer, I had a Lett.^r from my Mo.^r & wrote to her, as also to Dolly, see yesterday, I drank Tea at M^r Jackson's.

Saturday the Seventeenth, my Un: ^has^ had a bad night & went to bed soon after he got up this morning, I went to M^r Jackson's with Two Hundred Pounds from my Un: w^{ch} the

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old & young Man gave their joint Note for W^m White brought the remainder of 60 bush.^s of Barley to Oli: Preswick's killn for my Uncle's Malt; Thom: went to Stokesley, & I walked to Fran:^s Fox's, my Uncle is better

Sunday the Eighteenth. I went to Church twice, my Un: is not yet able to go, I took a walk wth Tho.^s to his ground, then to Jos.^p Agars.

Monday the Nineteenth. M^r Wardell came ^from^ & returned to Boulby; W^m White & his Bro:^r Thom:^s dined, and then I carried 1,000£ my Uncle not being able to go to Mary Havelocks, where the purchase Deeds for the Estate bo.^t of M^r Sanderson were executed by M^r. Sanderson, his wife, Thom.^s White; then M^r Preston, his Son, & the White's above came to my Uncle's, who signed the Deed, he ~~he~~ being a party ~~then~~ ^therein^ for the above 1,000£ as a Mortgage; my un: only gave Thomas White 10£ ^for the Grey Horse^ out of w^{ch} Sixpence was returned, & gave him £2.^s 12, out of which Thom.^s returned 2^s. 12^d: & paid for Sixpen' worth of Bumbo, see this day fortnight, the purchase money for above ^Estate^ is 2,700£.

Tuesday the Twentieth. I had a Lett.^e from my Mother commissioning me to hire Nanny Chapman, w^{ch} I did after dinn:^r at M^{rs} Lincoln's, my Mother to give her 50 Shill.^s certain, & to be kind otherwise, wth her vails w^{ch} she's to run the chance of [?], I drank ^Tea^ at M^{rs} Lincoln's

Wednesday the Twenty first, Capt.ⁿ Nat: Campion dined in his ^rode^ to Yarm. I rode out towards Wilton; and begun to read the Second vol: of M^r Cleveland's Life.

Thursday the Twenty Second, M^r Campion returned from Yarm, & after dinner I set him as far as Grainge, & returned by Brotton,

Friday the Twenty Third. I rode out, & wrote to Sister Wilson.

Saturday the Twenty Fourth. Cousin Bell.^a Pease dined in her road from Darn'ton to Whitby W^m Armstrong also dined, I set her to the ^first^ House beyond Birk brow, I had a Letter from Sis.^r Dolly

Sunday the Twenty Fifth. I went to Church twice; cous.ⁿ Ra: Reed, came to Assist his Bro:^r Will: to settle their late Bro:^r John's affairs; he & wife: sup't & sat the evening

Monday the Twenty Sixth. I wrote to my Mo:^r at Richm.^d & Sis. Dolly at Yarm, Ra: Reed dined here ^as did Will:^ and then he went home, in the afternoon I sat two Hour with M^r Emmerson Sen.^r Brewer at Ormsby, George Meuburn Butcher, & Thom.^s at Tho:^s Franklands, M^r Jackson Sen.^r came down wth Geo Hammond of Wilton castle to get my Uncle to sign a Petition the latter is going to send to his Landlord S.^r James

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Lowther, he having had a warning to leave his Farm, occasioned by the unjust information of some malicious neighbour who is supposed to be Jn.^o ^Patton^. my Un: signed it wth many others.

Tuesday the Twenty Seventh, I drank Tea at Fran:^s Fox's, himself being at his House, this being a Holiday to the Men (Fast'nass even), his wife was very weak, but ^yet^ drank Tea & eat some Toast, but

Wednesday the Twenty Eighth & last Day, she (M^{rs} Fox) died at Six this morning, reduced to a meer Skeleton by a long Consumption; I offerd M^r. Fox my assistance tow^{ds} letting M^r. Jefferson know, but as he intends to bury his wife Decently, but with Frugality, he does not invite him, my Un: rode to Upsill & returnd ^by^ Pinchinthorp