

SEPTEMBER 1770

Saturday the First. I spent all day at Ayton, though I found ^myself^ much easier.

Sunday the Second: I stayed all day at Ayton and went to that Church in the afternoon.

Monday the Third; I came home to Normanby before dinner and in the afternoon walked out with my Gun, but ^did^ not kill a Partridg'.

Tuesday the Fourth; I attend a meeting of the Justices at Gisbro' for Granting Licences to Alehouse keepers, Mess^{rs}. Charles Turner and Roger Beckwith, and myself composed the Bench.

Wednesday the Fifth; I set out for Whitby to pay a visit to the Widow of my late Cousin Jn^o. Pease who dyed 27th. July last aged 74; called at Scaling to dinner, for about two hours.

Thursday the Sixth; spent all day at Whitby.

Friday the Seventh; after breakfast I left Whitby, dined at M^r. Wardell's at Boulby, drank Tea at M^r. Smith's at Marsk and got home about Seven.

Saturday the Eighth; spent all day at home and in the evening went to Ayton, laid their all night.

Sunday the Ninth; went to Ayton Church in the forenoon, and came home to Tea in the afternoon.

Monday the Tenth; rode to Tho^s. Appleton's in the morning, & walked out with my Gun after dinner.

Tuesday the Eleventh; went to Coatham Club, my Sister Wilson Precedent, we were 31 in all.

Wednesday the Twelfth; Brother and Sis^{'t} Wilson their two eldest Girls; (little Esther being unable to move) and son George, with ^my^ Sister Esther came to dinner, we then rode to Appleton's Batts, and after Tea they all left me save Sister Esther who stays with me a few days.

Thursday the Thirteenth; walked out with my Gun, came home to dinner, but so overheated that I was sick in the evening, went to bed at six.

Friday the Fourteenth; I am pure well again; M^r. Pease of Darlington came while we were at dinner, and stayed all night, we rode to Appleton's after dinner; M^{rs}. Consett & her two eldest Daughters drank Tea here.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Fifteenth; M^r. Pease went away for Whitby after breakfast; so did my Sister Esther for Ayton, I dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk, who rode with me to M^r. Easterby's at Skiningrove where we drank Tea, M^r. Wardell of Boulby being there I went home with him, laid at his House.

Sunday the Sixteenth; M^r. Wardell & I walked out in the morning; & with M^{rs}. Wardell drank Tea at M^r. Saunderson's at Staithes.

Monday the Seventeenth; I bathed ^in the sea^ before dinner at Staithes, dined & spent all the afternoon at Boulby and laid there as last night.

Tuesday the Eighteenth; having had a bad night I left Boulby after breakfast, called at M^r. Foxe's at Gisbro' for half an hour, and reached Ayton before dinner, being much relieved I came home in the evening.

Wednesday the Nineteenth; I took Geo: (my Servant) with me to Coatham where I bathed, then breakfasted and got home to dinner.

Thursday the Twentieth; went to Coatham by myself, where I bathed in the sea, breakfasted and went to Gisbro' Fair, dined & drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Williamson's, with M^r. Crowther, got home by seven.

Friday the Twenty First; I went a Partridg' Shooting with John, dined at home at three.

Saturday the Twenty Second; I bathed at Coatham (the 3rd. time) and breakfasted there with Rev^d. M^r. and M^{rs}. Williamson, Miss Place, M^r. Crowther & M^{rs}. Harrison all of whom I met there by appointment; I dined at home and then took John and the Greyhounds with me to Upsal Mill.

Sunday the Twenty Third; set forward to bathe at Coatham, but the wind rising high from the North East, I turned back & went to Ayton where I breakfasted with M^r. ^Jn^o.^ Pease and M^{rs}. Robson from Whitby, who I found at Brother Wilson's, they proceeded to Darlington & I came home to dinner with Rich^d. & Chr. Garbutt & John Trenholme at my House, drank Tea at M^r. Mewburn's; and in the evening read a Sermon.

Monday the Twenty Fourth; called on the Rev^d. M^r. Nelson at Kirk Leatham, who went with me and breakfasted at M^r. Smith's at Marsk; they came home with me, so did M^r. Hewitt, they dined & sat with me till past seven; Rev^d. M^r. Consett and his Son came after dinner and sat with me till past Ten.

Tuesday the Twenty fifth; I rode to the Riverside in the morning, and having Geo: and the Greyhounds killed a Hare; after dinner I walked to Page Howl Wood, but did not stay long, the evening becoming rainy and boisterous.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; after dinner I went to Ayton, and laid there all night.

Thursday the Twenty Seventh; I came home to dinner; Joseph Cornforth came to me in the evening and sat till about Ten.

Friday the Twenty Eighth; I rode down to the River side with George in the afternoon; W^m. Mewburn & W^m. Sunley spent the evening with me.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth; I rode down to the River in the forenoon & walked out with my Gun after dinner.

Sunday the Thirtyeth & last Day; I dined at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's then went to Ayton where I laid all night.

OCTOBER 1770

Monday the First; went from Ayton to Gisbro' Markett. I dined at M^r. Harrison's and in the evening returned to Ayton.

Tuesday the Second; came from Ayton to dinner; and in the afternoon walked out with my Gun.

Wednesday the Third; Tho^s. Weatherell of Ayton and his Son Tho^s. looked over Geo: and Ja^s. Mewburn's Farm, and dined with me; in the evening M^r. Harrison of Gisbro' came down to stay a day or two.

Thursday the Fourth; after breakfast M^r. Harrison, John and I went out a shooting, we had good diversion and dined at home; we walked about the House & Garden after dinner.

Friday the Fifth; after breakfast M^r. Harrison went away, and I went to Ayton, dined, drank Tea and returned home in the evening.

Saturday the Sixth; I took John with me into the fields, we had our Guns, but did not meet with any game, dined at home; Robert Thomas & John Pearson ^late^ Surveyors of these Highways & Joseph Cornforth & Tho^s. Appleton overseers of the Poor, sat with me till past Ten in the evening.

Sunday the Seventh; we had service in the forenoon at Eston Chapple, I rece'd the Sacrament. John Pearson & W^m. Snowdon dined with me; I walked afterwards.

Monday the Eighth; I went by Wilton to Gisbro' and then attended a meeting of the Justices (Mess^{rs}. Cha^s. Turner, Dundas, Chaloner, and myself) appointing Surveyors ^of

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

the Highways[^] for the succeeding year, we did not dine at the Inn; I drank Tea with Sis^r. Esther at Rev^d. M^r. Williamson's, & went with her to Ayton in the evening.

Tuesday the Ninth; I attended a meeting of the Justices of the West Division, appointing Survey^rs & also on the business of the Turnpike road from Thirsk to Gisbro'; laid at Brother Wilson's again.

Wednesday the Tenth; came from Ayton to dine at home, W^m. Richardson (the Guelder) of Ayton dined with me, I wrote most of the afternoon, and in the evening being much in arrear of business.

Thursday the Eleventh; spent all day at home, M^r. Preston came in the evening.

Friday the Twelfth; Henry Allison and his Brother (in Law) Collin of Hurworth, came to see Mewburn's farm I rode with them, they went away after dinner; M^r. Preston stayed all night with me again.

Saturday the Thirteenth; I set M^r. Preston to near Ayton, on his [^]road to[^] Stokesley, dined at Bro^r Wilson's with Sober Hall (chief mate to Captⁿ. Jackson) & came home in the evening.

Sunday the Fourteenth; having a very bad night Geo: went to Ayton, Brother and Sister Wilson and Sister Esther returned with him to dinner; I went home with them in the evening.

Monday the Fifteenth; I went from Ayton to Gisbro', dined and came home to Tea; rainy weather.

Tuesday the Sixteenth; I rode to the Riverside in the morning; Sister Esther came from Ayton, and M^r. Pease, his daughter Hannah and M^{rs}. Robson and her Daughter came to dinner and laid all night; see Sunday 23rd. ulto.

Wednesday the Seventeenth; we all went for Ayton to dinner, and laid there all night.

Thursday the Eighteenth; spent all day at Ayton, dined at Sister's, very rainy weather.

Friday the Nineteenth; I spent all day at Ayton and laid there at night; Mr. Pease went away after dinner.

Saturday the Twentieth; M^{rs}. Robson etc. went away after breakfast for their home at Whitby. Brother & Nephew Wilson came with me to Normanby, we dined & I returned home with them in the evening.

Sunday the Twenty First; Mess^{rs}. Rob^t. and Geo: Culley breakfasted at Ayton, having laid at Normanby last night, all went to Church, they went away after dinner; I came to my own home in the evening.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Twenty Second; I attended a meeting of the Justices Cha^s. Turner, Dundas, Chaloner, Beckwith and myself at Gisbro', I eat part of my dinner at M^r. Rudd's, with M^r. Tho^s. Duck of London; came home in the evening.

Tuesday the Twenty Third; I walked out in the forenoon; I drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's ^in the ^ afternoon.

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; I went to Yarm early in the morning & there found my Sis^r Esther who got to Cousin Forster's last night; we proceeded, dined and drank Tea at M^r. Pease's at Darlington, & laid at West- Auckland.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth; I rode with M^r. James to B'p Auckland; we dined ^with^ the Bishop of Durham at his Palace (in B'p Auckland) it being the King's accession we returned to W^t. Auckland in the evening.

Friday the Twenty Sixth; Doctor Dunn & Family dined at M^r. James's. Saturday the Twenty Seventh; M^r. M^{rs}. & Miss James's, Sis^r. and self dined and drank Tea at Doctor Dunn's.

Sunday the Twenty Eighth; Sister Esther and I left W^t. Auckland, dined at Cousⁿ Wilkinson's, drank Tea and laid all night at Cousⁿ Forster's at Yarm.

Monday the Twenty Ninth; after breakfast I rode to Ayslaby, looked at a road in dispute between M^r. Raikes's Tenants & my Brother's, dined at Cousin Forster's and got home for Tea, leaving Sister Esther to stay a few days.

Tuesday the Thirtieth; Mr. Preston and young Tho^s. Weatherell came to take Mewburn's Farm for the *former* (Tho^s. Weatherell) but we did not agree, I went to Ayton, dined and returned, much Rain.

Wednesday the Thirty first and last day; stayed at home all day, save walk out before & after dinner.

NOVEMBER 1770

Thursday the First; I took a ride with M^r. Consett & Robert Jackson with our Greyh^{ds}, we only saw one Hare which we killed, the former dined wth me.

Friday the Second; went to Ayton, dined & returned.

Saturday the Third; I walked out with my Gun before dinner; Joseph Cornforth sat an hour with me in the evening; I had a bad night being too much fatigued.

Sunday the Fourth; spent all day at home.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Fifth; after breakfast I went to Gisbro', from thence I went to Kirk-Leatham to M^r. Chas. Turner's Feast in commemoration of K^g. William the 3rd. landing on this Island (4th. Nov.1688) it would have been held yesterday but that day being Sunday was thought improper, we dined 40 Gentlemen and Ladies at our table; I stayed till near in the morning, when M^r. Tho^s. Boulby of Whitby, came home and took a bed with me.

Tuesday the Sixth; after dinner M^r. Boulby left me, and I went to Ayton.

Wednesday the Seventh; came home after dinner.

Thursday the Eighth; a very stormy night, and rained most of the day; Sister Esther came in the evening.

Friday the Ninth; Rev^d. M^r. Hastwell (of Ayton) came in the forenoon & stayed all night, Rev^d. Mr. Consett, his wife & two eldest Daughters dined & spent the evening.

Saturday the Tenth; this morning my Servant June Linsley confessed to my Sister that she is with Child to my Servant Geo: Kirkley, on which I recommended them to marry which they agreed to do by Licence, he has long courted her; M^r. Hastwell, Sister and self went to Ayton for dinner.

Sunday the Eleventh; spent all day at Ayton, went to Church in the afternoon.

Monday the Twelfth; went Gisbro' Fair in the morning, dined & came home in the evening.

Tuesday the Thirteenth; this morning my Servant Geo: Kirtley (who came to me at Martinmas 1767) and Jane Linsley (who came to my Mother at May day 1768) were married at Eston Chappell, by Rev^d. M^r. Wm. Peniⁿ Consett who took of them [*word missing*] for Marriage Fees; Rich^d Wiseman of Norton came and looked at my Farm now Tenanted by Geo: and James Mewburn, he dined and spent the evening with Rob^t. and Rich^d Jackson, he did not take the Farm.

Wednesday the Fourteenth; I spent at home.

Thursday the Fifteenth; I rode out in the morning, spent the afternoon in the House, much rain.

Friday the Sixteenth; I went to Ayton before dinner & laid there.

Saturday the Seventeenth; being a most stormy day, wind and snow, I stayed at Ayton all day and night.

Sunday the Eighteenth; this being a very stormy day, & I not well, spent the day & night at Ayton again.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Nineteenth; in the morning I took half a Paper of Doct^r James's Powder for Fever (at Ayton) it did not operate, I took another half Paper in the evening it operated by Sweating; my Servant George came.

Tuesday the Twentyeth; I took another half Paper of Powder, which operated much by Sweating.

Wednesday the Twenty First; kept my Room all day (at Ayton still) much weakened.

Thursday the Twenty Second; being a fine Frosty day, I got out of doors a little, about noon.

Friday the Twenty Third; being better, I rode out with M^r. Wilson and Geo: in the afternoon.

Saturday the Twenty Fourth; I rode to Stokesley in the morning & got to Ayton again by dinner, laid there all night.

Sunday the Twenty Fifth; came home to dinner Rev^d M^r. Consett, Thomas Appleton, and W^m. Snowdon sat an hour or two with me in the evening; I began to take late Uncle Jo^s. Ward's White Drop for the Scurvy this night.

Monday the Twenty Sixth; I dined at Gisbro' & on my return home to Tea, found my Cousin Matty Reed who stayed all night.

Tuesday the Twenty Seventh; being a very stormy day Cousin Matty Reed stayed all day, John Newham of Stockton dined with us & took my orders for two Mahogany Bedsteads, some Chamber Chairs etc.

Wednesday the Twenty Eighth; Cousin M. Reed left me, I dined at M^r. Marwood's at Busby with Brother and Sister Wilson, their two eldest Daughters, & Sister Esther; M^r., M^{rs}. & Miss Mauleverer was there, I laid at Ayton.

Thursday the Twenty Ninth; I dined at home sat an hour or two at Rev^d M^r. Consett's in the afternoon.

Friday the Thirtyeth & last day; I went to Gisbro', & meeting Brother Wilson there by appointment we proceeded to Kirkleatham, where we dined & supt, spent all the afternoon and after Supper till three in the morning examining several Witnesses against Luke Atkinson & his wife Dorothy of Skelton, who are suspected of having murdered William Smith last of Skelton Township, near Marske Mill, who was found ^naked in bed^ about ten o'Clock on the morning of Saturday 24th inst. with his Skull broke in in several parts with his own Ax and Mattock besmeared with so much blood, his wife having been for some weeks to see her Son near Barnardcastle, the old man (the above

William) lived by himself; the murder is supposed to have been committed in the night, as he was seen on the Friday evening and was cold when found on the Saturday morning as above; after all the pains we took could only find circumstances sufficient to order the Constable of Skelton to keep the above Luke & Dorothy in Custody till next Monday and then to bring them before us at Gisbro'; Brother Wilson & I came to Normanby at four.

DECEMBER 1770

Saturday the First; Bro^r. Wilson left me after breakfast, I rode to some workmen planting a Hedge near Tho^s. Dixon's, dined & then kept the House.

Sunday the Second; after dinner I went to Ayton, laid there all night.

Monday the Third; Brother Wilson & I met M^r. Cha^s. Turner at Gisbro' by appointment see last Friday we began to examine Witnesses at M^{rs}. Chaloner's where M^r. Mauleverer soon came to us having been desired so to do by M^r. Hall, he took the lead in the business, & examined many witnesses, till about two o'Clock in the morning, we all dined at the sign of the Cock, supt at M^{rs}. Chaloner's (M^r. Chaloner not at home). Bro^r Wilson went home, but I laid at M^r. Harrison's.

Tuesday the Fourth; M^r. Mauleverer went away to Yarm early; Bro^r. Wilson came to Gisbro' in the forenoon, he, Mr Cha^s. Turner & self committed the Prisoners Luke and Dorothy Atkinson to York Castle on Suspicion of Murdering late W^m. Smith; bound over many Witnesses, & the widow and deceased's Brother (Michael Smith of Danby) to prosecute; Bro^r. Wilson & I dined at the Cock, & returned to our respective homes.

Wednesday the Fifth; M^r. Rudd came to breakfast with me; I then went with him to Stockton and after dining there, to our respective homes.

Thursday the Sixth; being an exceeding bad day I kept house; Philip Snowdon dined with me.

Friday the Seventh; I took a walk in the morning, & spent the evening at Rev^d. M^r Consett's.

Saturday the Eighth; I went to Ayton before dinner and laid there.

Sunday the Ninth; I took a ride in the forenoon to look for John Price at Newby, returned to Ayton to dinner, laid there again.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Tenth; I went to Gisbro' Market dined & came home to Tea; John Price came to work a few days. Tuesday the Eleventh; after dinner Mess^{rs}. Smith & Wardell came, & laid all night.

Wednesday the Twelfth; Mess^{rs}. Smith & Wardell rode with me to Tho^s. Appleton's before dinner, they stayed all night again, Mr. Rob^t. Culley came & stayed all night.

Thursday the Thirteenth; Messrs. Wardell, Culley & self rode with M^r. Smith to his House at Marsk where we dined; M^r. Culley & I came home to Tea.

Friday the Fourteenth; M^r. Culley rode with me to Tho^s. Appleton's in the forenoon, we walked after dinner.

Saturday the Fifteenth; after breakfast I rode to Stockton with M^r. Culley where we parted, I got to Ayton to dinner, & laid all night:- on my road I called to see the New Farm House Jn^o. Price is building for M^r. Gareneieres in the Township of Newby near Stokesley.

Sunday the Sixteenth; I went to Ayton Church in the forenoon; Sister Esther came home with me in the evening to stay for a few days.

Monday Seventeenth; I went to Gisbro' and returned to dinner when I found Cousin Forster of Yarm, for whom I sent John in the morning.

Tuesday the Eighteenth; I rode to the Post (to Ayton) returned to dinner.

Wednesday the Nineteenth; rode to my workmen at Tho^s. Dixon's in the forenoon, much Rain on my return.

Thursday the Twentieth; a fine day but I stayed at home with my Sis^r Esther & Cousin Forster.

Friday the Twenty First; a very stormy day.

Saturday the Twenty Second; I went to Stokesley, dined at M^r. Preston's and sold my Hemlington Estate (Tenanted by Tho^s. Adamson) to Nich^s Bean for 1,125£. laid at Brother Wilson's at Ayton.

Sunday the Twenty Third; by waiting till the post came into Ayton I was detained till after dinner, then came home.

Monday the Twenty Fourth; Cousin Forster left me before dinner, Sister Esther & I went to Ayton in the afternoon, laid there, (at Bro^r Wilson's).

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth, (Christmas day); I did not go to Church but spent all day at Ayton.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; after breakfast I left Ayton, called at Yarm, dined at Darnton, & got to West-Auckland to Tea.

Thursday the Twenty Seventh; I went a hunting with M^r. John James and his Bro^r William (of Liverpool) who is on a visit for a few weeks; we dined at M^r. Crozier Surtees's by appointment of the M^r. James's - M^r. Jn^o. James & I got to his House by Tea time.

Friday the Twenty Eighth; spent all day at West-Auckland, M^r. Pease dined at M^r. James's.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth; spent all day at West-Auckland, Mess^{rs}. Hutchinson & Adamson ^of^ Barnardcastle dined at M^r. James's & sat till Ten; I was not well in the evening.

Sunday the Thirtyeth; spent all this day at West-Auckland; Mess^{rs}. Crozier Surtees, Dale, & Fairliss dined at M^r. James's.

Monday the Thirty First and last Day; I rode out a Hunting with the Gentlemen, but soon parted from them, and rode to Denton where I spent two hours with old M^{rs}. Culley and her Son Robert; got to West-Auckland again by two. [*Page blank*]

JANUARY 1771

Tuesday the First; being a very wet & stormy day I stayed in M^r. James's House all day, M^r. Ja^s. James & Pet^r. Robinson spent the evening

Wednesday the Second; Mr. W^m. James set out for Liverpool, I set out for Darlington, dined & laid all night M^r. Pease's; Mess^{rs}. Wilkinson, Terry & Catrick with us.

Thursday the Third; M^r. Pease and I rode out in the morning; I dined as his Friend at M^r. Hodgson Thornhills with much other Company we spent the evening there till near one.

Friday the Fourth; I was so much out of order all night and this morning, that I called in the advice of Doctor Trotter.

Saturday the Fifth; I found myself so much better that I walked out in the morning, Doct^r Trotter, Mess^{rs}. Harrison (of Newcastle) & Terry dined & spent the evening at M^r. Peases.

Sunday the Sixth; I took leave of M^r. Pease after breakfast, dined at Stockton, and got home about four, a cold day, but I abode it well.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Seventh; after dinner I rode for Ayton, found Niece Esther very ill, M^r. Garth there, I stayed all night.

Tuesday the Eighth; Brother Wilson & I went to Kirk Leatham on the subject of the murder, see Friday the 30th. of November, & Monday & Tuesday the 3rd. & 4th. of Decem^r last past. Brother Wilson left K. Leatham in the evening tho' very stormy, but I stayed all night.

Wednesday the Ninth; ^all^ last night was very great Storm, Wind at North east with much Snow, I assisted M^r. Turner in some Justice business, having some Poachers before us; I came home to dinner.

Thursday the Tenth; snow fell most of this day; I dined & spent the evening at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's

Friday the Eleventh; a fine Frosty day Rev^d. M^r. Consett & all his Family dined & spent the Evening ^with me.^

Saturday the Twelfth; spent all day in the House, some Snow fell today; very cold.

Sunday the Thirteenth; I went to Ayton to dinner, laid there all night.

Monday the Fourteenth; after dining at Ayton I went to M^r. Mauleverer's at Arncliffe laid there.

Tuesday the Fifteenth; I spent all day & laid at night at M^r. Mauleverer's intending to have gone to Easingwold Session this morning but the weather ^bad.^

Wednesday the Sixteenth; I left M^r. Mauleverer's after breakfast, dined & laid all night at Bro^r. Wilson's.

Thursday the Seventeenth; I came home to dinner; Mess^{rs}. Jn^o. & Ja^s. of West Auckland came in the evening, & stayed all night.

Friday the Eighteenth; before dinner the Rev^d. M^r. Leever (of Buxton) & Mess^{rs}.

Hutchinson, Adamson & Farrand (of Barnardcastle) came to see me, M^r. Farrand went away in the evening, but the rest stayed all night.

Saturday the Nineteenth; I was not very well; all the above Gentlemen went away after breakfast, save M^r. Jn^o. James.

Sunday the Twentyeth; more Snow today.

Monday the Twenty First; M^r. James and I rode out towards Gisbro', and returned for dinner.

Tuesday the Twenty Second; spent the day at home, Rev^d. M^r. Consett sat an hour in the evening.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Twenty Third; M^r. James & I dined at Ayton, returned about four to Tea.

Thursday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. James & I rode to Kirk Leatham & after looking at M^r. Turner's Cows etc. returned to dinner; W^m. Sunley spent the evening.

Friday the Twenty Fifth; M^r. James & I dined and spent the evening at Rev^d. M^r.

Consett's.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth; M^r. James & I rode out with the Greyhounds, Rev^d. M^r.

Consett, Rob^t. Jackson & W^m. Sunley spent the evening with us.

Sunday the Twenty Seventh; M^r. James went away after breakfast (see the 17th inst.) I dined and laid all night at Ayton.

Monday the Twenty Eighth; Bro^r. Wilson & I went to Gisbro' on Justice business, dined & returned to Tea.

Tuesday the Twenty Ninth; after dinner I came home, very cold weather.

Wednesday the Thirtyeth; I took a walk before breakfast, went to Stockton Market, being a very fine day, returned in the evening.

Thursday the Thirty First & last Day; Rob^t. Jackson, W^m. Sunley, my Man John & self with the Greyhounds rainged Lazenby & Wilton Grounds we killed a brace of Hares, and returning to my House to dinner we found Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Capt. Jackson. W^m. Snowdon also spent the evening with us, M^r. Consett went away about five.

FEBRUARY 1771

Friday the First; I had 59 men at work in the high Flatts Lane, being the 1st. Statute days work this Year for Normanby Township, (I'm Surveyor).

Saturday the Second; I had 20 Men at work in the Lane see yesterday; M^r. Corney of Coatham dined with me.

Sunday the Third; I went to Ayton to dinner; and laid there all night; Mr. Garth the Musician laid there.

Monday the Fourth; after breakfasting with Sister Esther, I went to Gisbro' dined at the Market ordinary, & came home to Tea; I heard today that my late Tenant W^m. White of Grainge was drowned at Whitby last Saturday.

Tuesday the Fifth; W^m. Richardson, Matthew Masterman & M^r. Logan of Ayton met me on Barnaby Moor by appointment, with our Greyhounds, we had bad success in finding

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Hares, tho' we killed a brace, they dined with me. M^r. Wardell called for a 1/4 of an hour.

Wednesday the Sixth; Sister Esther came in the morning; and Rev^d. M^r. Williamson, his Wife & Daughter, & M^r. & M^{rs}. Harrison dined, and stayed all night.

Thursday the Seventh; Rev^d. M^r. Williamson & M^r. Harrison rode with me to Tho^s. Appleton's before dinner; M^r. M^{rs}. & Miss Ann Consett drank Tea & spent the evening.

Friday the Eighth; the Williamson & Harrison's went away before dinner; Sis^r Est^r & I drank Tea at M^r. Consett's.

Saturday the Ninth; Thomas Carr & his Friend (B: Nusum) came about Eleven o'Clock, I rode over the Farm with them, that he has taken of me (Mewburn's Farm) after dinner they went away, and Sister Esther & I went to Ayton.

Sunday the Tenth; spent all day at Ayton went to Church on the forenoon; old M^r. Skottowe dyed this morning.

Monday the Eleventh; dined at Rev^d. M^r. Williamson's at Gisbro', and got home at five; a stormy evening.

Tuesday the Twelfth; much Snow and high Wind at N:E: I rode out for a couple of Miles; Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles & M^r. Smith came before dinner & laid all night.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; after breakfast I rode to Kirkleatham with M^r. Lascelles & Smith there left them & returned to dinner at home, I sat two hours at M^r. Consett's in the evening.

Thursday the Fourteenth; I walked out in the forenoon, M^r. Wardell dined with me.

Friday the Fifteenth; after dinner I called on my Neighbour Rev^d. M^r. Consett, with whom I walked to Rob^t. Jackson's at Eston, where we sat till eight o'Clock.

Saturday the Sixteenth; I mounted to go to Ayton after dinner, but was prevented by the arrival of my Cousⁿ James & her Daughter Sarah.

Sunday the Seventeenth; Sister Esther came ^to^ stay a few days; Bro^r. Wilson came with her but went ^away after Tea.^

Monday the Eighteenth; I rode out to W^m. Mewburn's in the forenoon; walked after dinner; & we played Cards in the evening.

Tuesday the Nineteenth; W^m. Robinson the Constable went with me to Yarm, where ^with M^r. Burton^ I settled a dispute between Ja^s. Mewburn & his Maid, dined at Cousⁿ Forsters, & came home to Tea.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Twentyeth; I marked out the place for a new Hedg' in Jos. Cornforth's Farm before dinner, M^r. Pease of Darlington came to dinner, laid all night.

Thursday the Twenty First; M^r. Pease not being very well we took a ride out for an hour in the heighth of the day, & kept all House all the rest of the day.

Friday the Twenty Second; M^r. Pease left Normanby after breakfast, I rode over Barnaby Moor with him & to Gisbro'; return'd to dinner.

Saturday the Twenty Third; after dinner Sister Esther, & my Cousin James's & I went to Ayton to stay for a few days.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. Wilson & I rode out in the morning, M^r. Preston came to Bro^r. Wilson's in the afternoon & drank Tea, so did M^r. Hastwell, & supt.

Monday the Twenty Fifth; I took a ride (with M^r. Preston) towards Gisbro' in the forenoon, & returned to Ayton; where we all dined & drank tea at Sister Esther's.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; I took a ride with Bro^r. & Sister Wilson, & their children in the forenoon to choose two Pews for them in Stokesley Church which is now rebuilt; Cousin James's, Sister Esther & self came to Normanby to Tea.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; I rode to Tho^s. Appleton's in the morning, & walked out in the afternoon, we played at Cards in the evening, as we always done, since Cousⁿ. James's came.

Thursday the Twenty Eighth & last Day; M^r. Pease came in the morning see last Friday, we rode to the workmen at the New Hedg in Cornforth's Farm before dinner; & being a fine day the Ladys walked with us in the afternoon.

MARCH 1771

Friday the First; M^r. Pease went after breakfast; as the day was cold I kept House.

Saturday the Second; Mr. James came before dinner; and as the day was bad & I not well kept House again.

Sunday the Third; a very stormy day, we did not go out any where.

Monday the Fourth; after breakfast M^r., M^{rs}. & Miss James left me; see Saturday 16th ult^o., I set Sister Esther home to Ayton after dinner, & laid all night.

Tuesday the Fifth; I set out from Ayton early, drank Coffee at Stockton, mulled wine at Sedgfield, & dined before four at Elemore Hall, where I laid all night - a stormy day.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Sixth; after breakfast I got into M^r. Baker's Coatch, with him M^{rs}. Baker and Miss Baker to Durham; M^r. Baker & I dined with M^r. Nich^s. Lambton, & the Arbitrators in our Cause at a publick House by appointment, we broke up at four; and I went to Darlington with M^r., M^{rs}. & Miss Baker in their Coatch, we layed all night at Cousⁿ. Wilkinson's; had a stormy day.

Thursday the Seventh; M^r. Baker, his Wife & Daughter proceeded early this morning, on their road to Bath; being a bad day I did not leave Darlington; M^{rs}. & Miss James were at Cousin Wilkinson's where I dined & laid, but we all drank Tea and spent the evening at M^r. Pease's.

Friday the Eighth; I left Darlington after breakfast, baited at Stockton & got home about four, Rob^t. Jackson & Rob^t. Trenholme sat till 12.

Saturday the Ninth; after dinner I went to Ayton, laid there all night on my road to York Assizes.

Sunday the Tenth; about twelve I left Ayton, called for half an hour at Bessy Bell's at Ingleby Cross, laid at the Inn at Thirsk, but supt at M^r. Dent's.

Monday the Eleventh; about Ten I set forward again, called an hour at Easingwold, dined at York, and drank Tea in my private lodgings, M^{rs}. Bulmer's in Thursday Market. Tuesday the Twelfth; I attended some Tryals at the Court of Assizes, S^r Henry Gould K^s. Judg'; went to the play in the evening with Mess^{rs}. Ward & Reed, supt after at the York Tavern, where we stayed till 12.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; I attended some other Tryals at the Court, & went to the play & supt with the same Gentlemen, as yesterday evening.

Thursday the Fourteenth; I spent most of the day in Court, dined at my private Lodgings & went to the play & supt as the two preceeding evenings.

Friday the Fifteenth; I walked in the Castle yard all the time that Luke & Dorothy Atkinson were tryed for the Murder of late W^m. Smith near Skelton (see 30th Nov. last), the former was convicted & sentenced to be hung on Monday next and was then executed having first confessed his Guilt, but declared his Wife's innocence; Rev^d. M^r. Nelson, M^r. Maister & I dined at York, laid at Thirsk, Mess^{rs}. Dent & Routh spent the evening with us.

Saturday the Sixteenth; I came to Ayton to dine, having a cold, & finding also that Bro^r. Jackson is ill of a Fever, I stayed there all night.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Seventeenth; spent all this day at Ayton, & laid there, this Post says my Bro. is better.

Monday the Eighteenth; I came home to dinner, drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's.

Tuesday the Nineteenth; dined at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's (this being his birth day) with Rev^d. Messrs. Nelson, & Moor, & M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn.

Wednesday the Twentieth; being a very cold day I kept House all day.

Thursday the Twenty First; being a very cold, I did not go from home.

Friday the Twenty Second; I went to Ayton to dinner, and laid there all night.

Saturday the Twenty Third; much Snow falling & the day stormy, I stayed at Ayton, and laid there.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; I spent at Ayton, much stormy weather, drank Tea at Sis^r. Esther's.

Monday the Twenty Fifth; I went to Gisbro' to meet M^r. Hutton of Sedgfield & M^r. Preston, dined there & came home.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; much Snow now on the ground, fine frosty weather, I kept House all day.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; the weather is yet very cold, spent at home.

Thursday the Twenty eighth; M^r. Preston came from Durham with my Sister's Will: stayed all night, Jn^o. Patton, Nich^s. Bean, & Jn^o. Dale dined with me; Rev^d. M^r. Consett sat an hour in the evening.

(Good) Friday the Twenty Ninth; I dined at Marsk, Mess^{rs}. Smith and Wardell came home with me, & laid all night.

Saturday the Thirtieth; after breakfast M^r. Wardell proceeded in the B^oat, & M^r. Smith went home, I took a walk with Rev^d. M^r. Consett in the afternoon.

Easter - Sunday the Thirty First and last Day; I dined at Sis^r. Esther's at Ayton with Bro^r. Wilson's Family, Mess^{rs}. Crozier Surtees & Rob^t. Culley came there in the afternoon, and home with me in the evening.

APRIL 1771

Easter - Monday, April -the First; Mess^{rs}. Surtees & Culley rode with me to Thomas Appleton's before dinner, we walked in the afternoon.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Easter - Tuesday the Second; Mess^{rs}. Surtees & Culley left me after breakfast; Tho^s. Carr dined with me; M^r. Wilson came soon after, & went away soon.

Wednesday the Third; I met Bro^r. Wilson at Jo^s. Lawrence's at Ayton on Justice business; dined at said Brother's & returned.

Thursday the Fourth; I went to Yarm Fair, rece'd mine & my Bro^r. Jackson's Rents, & returned to Tea.

Friday the Fifth; I rode to Thomas Appleton's after dinner.

Saturday the Sixth; dined at M^r. Preston's at Stokesley, drank Tea at Bro^r. Wilson's & came home.

Sunday the Seventh; I rece'd the Sacrament at Eston Chapel in the forenoon; John Laverick, Jos: Cornforth, & Tho^s. Appleton dined with me, I drank Tea at M^r. Consett's, Mess^{rs}. Bristol Pease & Wardell laid here.

Monday the Eighth; M^r. Wardell left me after breakfast, and the Bristol Pease & I went to Gisbro', he proceeded to Whitby, but I dined in the Town; and about three in the afternoon bid my last adieu to the remains of my late worthy Friend Thomas Preswick who dyed at his cousin Marg^t. Lincoln's about one o'Clock today, (M^r. Preston was with me) he was born in Sept^r. 1693, now 77 ½ years's since, 57 ½ of which he served as an Apprentice & hired Servant to his late worthy Master, my Uncle Ra: Ward; he was in general a healthy Man, and it has been of a few months that he seemed to decay, he left his only Brother, Oliver Preswick his sole Exetr. & residuary Devisee, and a few Legacys (not considerable) to his other relations, I think his Effects are worth about 1,700 £; I laid at my Sist^r. Esther's at Ayton.

Tuesday the Ninth; I breakfasted at M^r. Mauleverer's, my Bro^r. & Sis^r. Wilson & their eldest Daughters being there, followed the Gentlemen to the Quarter Sessions at Thirsk; from thence I went (in the evening) to North- Allerton in Post Chaise with M^r. Tho^s. Peirse, & Rev^d. M^r. Edw^d. Hodgson.

Wednesday the Tenth; M^r. Peirse & I dined at M^r. Ward's at Dinsdale, he went away, but I laid all night.

Thursday the Eleventh; spent all this day at Dinsdale, & riding about to see that Country.

Friday the Twelfth; Mess^{rs}. Ward, Reed & Addison & I dined at M^r. Peirse's at Peirseburgh near High Worsall, I left them there, & came home.

Saturday the Thirteenth; Rev^d. M^r. Nelson breakfasted with me, I set him home, & returned to dinner.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Fourteenth; I dined at Ayton, returned to Tea, Mess^{rs}. Smith & Wardell laid all night here.

Monday the Fifteenth; last night has been most stormy, much Snow with high Wind from N:E: Mess^{rs}. Smith & Wardell went away after breakfast.

Tuesday the Sixteenth; my Upsal Tenants (Stephen Wrightson, W^m. Harrison, W^m. Alderson, (Rob^t. Jackson absent) dined with me, & paid to me their Rents due last Michaelmas, this is their first payment to me; a very stormy day.

Wednesday the Seventeenth; the weather continued stormy, I staid at home all day.

Thursday the Eighteenth; spent at home.

Friday the Nineteenth; dined at Ayton, wrote some Letters by the Post & came home.

Saturday the Twentyeth; breakfast at M^r. Smith, who dined with me M^r. Wardell's at Boulby, & came home.

Sunday the Twenty First; dined & drank Tea at Ayton, returned home in the evening.

Monday the Twenty Second; went to Gisbro' Market, dined and returned.

Tuesday the Twenty Third; Sister Esther came to breakfast, & stayed all day and night.

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. Smith came in the morning, and after breakfast, he and I set out for London, to ride our own Horses all the way, Sist^r. Esther went with us to Ayton; we dined with the Justices at Stokesley, and laid at Thirsk 28 miles. I took my Servant George Kirkley with me.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth; breakfast at Borrowbridg', baited at Weatherby laid at Fer'bridg' 38 miles

Friday the Twenty Sixth; I not being very well, we dined at Doncaster, laid at Retford. 32 miles

Saturday the Twenty Seventh; breakfasted at Scarthingmoor, dined at Newark, laid at Grantham 35 miles

Sunday the Twenty Eighth; breakfasted at Witham Common, baited at Stamford, dined & laid all night at Stilton 35 miles

Monday the Twenty Ninth; we breakfasted at Huntingdon, dined & stayed 4 hours at Caxton, laid at Royston, much Rain, 33 miles

Tuesday the Thirtieth & last Day; we breakfasted at Puckerage, we being very wett and likely for much more Rain we took Chaise the two stages to London where we arrived about 2 o'Clock, viz: at M^r. Thos. Duck's Chambers in Greys Inn, where we dined, and

then I went to my Brother's in old Palace yard, George (my Servant) led the Horses,
[*number missing*] Miles

MAY 1771

Wednesday the First; I went to the House late M^{rs}. Fisher lived (she dyed a few weeks since) found Sis^r. Do^y. & M^{rs}. Ward; I dined & laid at my Brother's.

London, Thursday the Second; called at M^r. Duck's Chamber's & on M^{rs}. Ward & Sis^r. Dorothy on Tower Hill; dined at my Brother's with Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles, Mess^{rs}. Masterman & Smith.

Friday the Third; I dined at M^r. Wilson's (in Aycliff Street) drank Tea with him my Bro. & M^r. Bryer at Enfield, we all supt & laid at Hods'don.

Saturday the Fourth; we all rode to M^r. Oderley's at Bishop Stortford to dinner; I laid at M^r. Baynes's.

Sunday the Fifth; we all dined at Sist^r. Dolly's (Woodford Bridg') and were met there by M^{rs}. Wilson. M^{rs}. Ward, & my 3 Nieces Jacksons, I laid there.

Monday the Sixth; Brother Jackson & I breakfasted in old Palace yard, M^r. Baker came to us, M^r. & M^{rs}. Philips dined at my Brother's, and then we went to the Opera in the Markett.

Tuesday the Seventh; I spent the morning with Sis^r. Dolly & M^{rs}. Ward on Tower Hill; M^r. & M^{rs}. Parker, M^r. & M^{rs}. Addison, M^r. Bryer, Cap^t. Young, & Doctor Hunter dined & spent the evening at my Brother's.

Wednesday the Eighth; I spent an hour on Tower Hill; I dined & went to the Play "As you like it", with my three Nieces, my Bro^r. dined at Mr. Bradshaw's.

Thursday the Ninth; I rode my own Horses to my Sis^r. Dolly's (W^{dfd}.bridg') to dinner & laid there, not very well.

Friday the Tenth; spent all day with my Sister, our 3 Nieces came to us in the evening.

Saturday the Eleventh; my 3 Nieces & I rode upon Epping Forest after dinner, in their Fath^{rs} Chariot.

Sunday the Twelfth; my Sister Dolly is not well (she is with Child), 3 Nieces & I went to Woodford Church.

Monday the Thirteenth; Sister, 3 Nieces & myself went to old Palace yard in my Bro^{rs} Coatch; M^r., M^{rs}. & Miss Baker, & M^r. Masterman dined at my Brother's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Fourteenth; spent an hour on Tower Hill, with Sis^r. & Mrs. Ward, dined at M^r. Masterman's with Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles, etc. my 3 Nieces drank Tea there.

Wednesday the Fifteenth; drank Tea at M^r. Baker's lodgings & went with him to Lord Mulgrove's, paid visits to Mess^{rs}. Turner & Tully; Mess^{rs}. Bradshaw, Stanley, Masterman & Nell dined at my Bro^rs., we went to Ranelagh in the evening with my Nieces.

Thursday the Sixteenth; I rode out with my Brother & M^r. Peterson, went to Tower Hill, brought Benj. Fisher to dinner; M^r. Philips dined with us, we went to the Play, (the West Indian) in the evening.

Friday the Seventeenth; not well all day, went to bed at one o'Clo. Bro. & Benj. Fisher went to the Stork.

London, Saturday the Eighteenth; My Nieces & I went to M^{rs}. Ward's at Beckingham, found Sist^r. Dolly there; Miss Lewin came in the evening.

Sunday the Nineteenth; Sist^r. Dolly being ill was bled by M^r. Reed; I went to Church with my Nieces.

Monday the Twentieth; Sist^r. Dolly is better, my two younger nieces went home, Capt. Geo: Dawes dined.

Tuesday the Twenty First; after breakfast I went with Sis^r. Dolly & Niece Mary to London, and after doing some business dined at Tow.^r hill, to W^{dd}.bridg in the evening.

Wednesday the Twenty Second; I spent the day at Woodfordbridg' till 5 in the evening that M^r. Masterman came, then to Bishop Stortford with him.

Thursday the Twenty Third; M^r. Masterman being lately appointed Lord of high Easter & Plashey in the Ruthings of Essex, held his first Court there today, Mess^{rs}. Adderly & Pitkin, & myself went with him there, dined & returned to B'p Stortford in the evening.

Friday the Twenty Fourth; I fished with M^r. Masterman in the Stort before dinner, then went Mr. Adderly & Family etc. to a Farm house of his & drank Tea.

Saturday the Twenty Fifth; my Bro^r. his Daughter Eliz^a. & a Party from London coming to the Inn at Hocken-hill yesterday evening, we dined with them at the Inn, & drank Tea upon the Stort.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth; we all dined at Enfield highway; Niece Eliz^a. & I went to Woodfordbridg' in the evening, found Sist^r. Dolly not well.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Twenty Seventh; Nieces Kitty & Eliza. & self went to London, M^{rs}. Ward, Benj. Fisher & some other Company dined at my Brother's. I became very ill & went to Bed at nine.

Tuesday the Twenty Eighth; continuing ill I desired my Bro^r. to send for Doct^r Fothergill in the evening, he ordered a Blister & I went to Bed.

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth; the Blister operated well, I laid in Bed all day.

Thursday the Thirtyeth; *was better* laid in Bed all day being Feverish.

Friday the Thirty First & last day; was better and sat up some hours.

JUNE 1771

Saturday the First; was better, and sat two or three hours in the dining Room. M^r. & M^{rs}. Spencer drank Tea & played at Cards.

Sunday the Second; sat up all day, M^r. Core sat with me in the evening; my Bro^r. returned having gone a Broad on Friday.

London. Monday the Third; I took Post Chaise & dined at Woodford.bridg' M^{rs}. Ward there.

Tuesday the Fourth; my Sist^r. went to Wathin for advice, she & Niece Mary returned in the evening.

Wednesday the Fifth; rode out in the morning.

Thursday the Sixth; my Sister seems better, I rode my own Horses to London after Tea.

Friday the Seventh; I took Post Chaise & with Niece Kitty dined at M^r. Pybusses at Green Hill Grove returned to London, & then we, with Niece Eliz^a., went to Woodford.bridg', were very late.

Saturday the Eighth; my Niece is much out of order; my Sister tho' better keeps her Bed by advice, M^r. Henry Jackson (Capt. Jackson's Bro^r.) came & they stayed all night.

Sunday the Ninth; Niece Kitty is ill, but somewhat better, Bro^r. Jackson came from B'p Stortf^d being ^sent^ for yesterday evening to Niece Kitty, he & M^r. H. Jackson left us.

Monday the Tenth; I rode out in the morning.

Tuesday the Eleventh; Niece Kitty is better but Eliz^a. began of the same Fever (Putrid) as mine ^& Kitty's^ was.

Wednesday the Twelfth; Niece Mary went with me to London, dined & returned.

Thursday the Thirteenth; Niece Eliz^a. continues ill, Sister Dolly much the same, in Bed.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Fourteenth; Niece Eliz^a. is better.

Saturday the Fifteenth; Niece Mary & I went to London on business & returned, Eliz^a. much better.

Sunday the Sixteenth; rainy weather, Niece Mary is begun of the same (Putrid) Fever.

Monday the Seventeenth; having had a bad night, I laid most of the day.

Tuesday the Eighteenth; Niece Mary continues ill, her two Sisters went home (to London)

Wednesday the Nineteenth; I took a ride to Clay-Hall before dinner; Niece Mary is so ill as to have a Blister, her Sist^r. Eliz^a. came down.

Thursday the Twentieth; Niece Mary is better, I rode out in the evening.

Friday the Twenty First; my Niece Mary continues better, I rode in the evening.

Saturday the Twenty Second; I rode in the morning; S^r James & Lady Wright drank Tea.

Sunday the Twenty Third; my Niece is so well to sit up now; Bro^r. & Niece Catharine came from B.p Stortford to dinner, M^{rs}. & Miss Allen dined, and with Lady Wright drank Tea.

London, Monday the Twenty Fourth; I went to London, called at many places dined at my Brother's, and went to M^{rs}. Ward's at Beckingham calling at M^{rs}. Page's at Greenwich on my rode.

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth; Mrs. Ward & I came by Greenwich to London; dined at the Antwerp Tavern with Mess^{rs}. Cores, called at my Aunt Edward's at Islington, & got to Woodfordbridg' in the evening.

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; my Sist^r. Dolly is very much out of order; I walked into her Hay field.

Thursday the Twenty Seventh; my Sis^r. is better, every body else are well.

Friday the Twenty Eighth; at four this evening I took leave of Sistr. Dorothy & Niece Eliz^a. Mary Katharine & I went to London at four, drank Tea on Tower Hill with M^{rs}. Ward & Miss Gee; laid at my Brother's.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth; spent the day in London, M^{rs}. Ward & Miss Gee dined & drank Tea wth. us.

Sunday the Thirtieth and last Day; after breakfast Niece Mary & I left old Palace yard, called on old M^{rs}. Pybuss at Greenhill-Grove (near Barnett) who with her Maid set off with us, we dined at Stevenage, and laid at Bugden.

JULY 1771

July, Monday the First; breakfasted at Stilton, dined at Grantham, laid at Scarthing Moor.

Tuesday the Second; breakfasted at Barnby-Moor, dined at Ferrybridg'; from whence M^{rs}. Pybss & her Maid went to York, my Niece & I laid at Borrowbridg'.

Wednesday the Third; we breakfasted at Thirsk, dined at Ayton, where we found all Friends well.

Thursday the Fourth; my Servant Geo: arriving with my Horses (he left Woodfordbridg' last Saturday) I went home (to Normanby) having been absent since 24th April.

Friday the Fifth; Bro^r & Sis^r. Wilson, all their Family, Sist^r. Esther, & Niece Mary, all dined & drank Tea with me.

Saturday the Sixth; walked with Tho^s. Carr about his farm before [*missing word*] Rev^d. M^r. Consett sat two hours in the evening.

Sunday the Seventh; I dined & drank Tea at Ayton, went to that Church, & came home in the evening.

Monday the Eighth; I took John with me to Gisbro' Market, dined there, drank Tea with M^{rs}. Lincoln; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Rob^t. Jackson spent the evening.

Tuesday the Ninth; I breakfasted at M^r. Smith's at Marsk, who went with me to M^r.

Wardell's at Boulby where we dined, Rev^d. M^r. Oldfield was there, came home in the evening.

Wednesday the Tenth; began to mow today; M^r. James came to spend a few days.

Thursday the Eleventh; much Rain falling in the forenoon, M^r. James & I kept the House all day.

Friday the Twelfth; M^r. James & I dined at M^r. Wilson's at Ayton with his Tenants, came home after.

Saturday the Thirteenth; fine Hay weather, after dinner M^r. James & I rode to Ayton, we found his two eldest Daughters at my Sist^r. Esthers, came home at nine.

Sunday the Fourteenth; M^r. James went away, I went to Eston Chapel; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Family drank Tea with me.

Monday the Fifteenth; paid a morning visit to M^r. Turner, attended my Hayfield the rest of the day.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Sixteenth; I paid a morning visit to S^r James Pennyman, Bart. at Ormsby, ^he was rode out^, he & his Family coming to live at that place Monday the 8th. inst., drank Tea at Sist^r. Est^rs at Ayton & returned.

Wednesday the Seventeenth; began to Stack my Hay; M^r. Wardell dined with me on his road to Elemore.

Thursday the Eighteenth; I spent the day at home, being stormy weather.

Friday the Nineteenth; M^r. Fran^s. Reed breakfasted with me, I then went to Ayton & returned to dinner; with Sister Esther, Nieces Jackson & Sist^r. Wilson, & Neph^w Geo: & two Miss James who came to spend a few days, my Bro^r. & Sist^r Wilson being gone to visit Friends in the B'p prick & Rev^d. M^r. Blackburn at Richmond.

Saturday the Twentyeth; I rode to Appleton's in the forenoon with Geo: & Bessy James, M^{rs}. Consett, Miss Wright & 2 Miss Consetts drank Tea, so did M^r. Rudd, with whom & George, I walked into my Page Howl Wood.

Sunday the Twenty First; Miss Consetts dined with us, we all walked to Appleton's drank Tea & return'd.

Monday the Twenty Second; Sist^r. Niece & I drank Tea at M^r. Consett's, he was gone to York.

Tuesday the Twenty third; I attended the Quarter Sessions at Gisbro'. 8 Justices on the Bench; I came home .

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; my Sister, Niece & self went to the Lady's Tees-Water-club at Coatham, 21 Members were present, we drank Tea at M^r. Turner's & came home; I had a Stockton Post Chaise for the day.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth; Messrs. Reed & Dodsworth, M^{rs}. Dent & Misses Wilson & Beckitt (whom I conveyed on horse-back to & from Coatham) dined & drank Tea, Miss Consetts drank Tea & spent the evening.

Friday the Twenty Sixth; Geo: & I rode to Tho^s. Appleton's met Bro^r. Wilson on our return, he dined and went home again.

Saturday the Twenty Seventh; Bro^r. Wilson came & took all my Visitors (see Friday the 19th) away, I walked into my Woods after dinner, & meeting S^r. Ja^s. & Lady Pennyman in the Lane I walked with them to Ormsby Town; M^r. Consett spent the evening.

Sunday the Twenty eighth; went to Eston Chapell, spent the rest of the day at home.

Monday the Twenty Ninth; went to Gisbro' returned at two, dined (at three) at S^r. James Pennyman's, Rev^d. M^r. Consett, his wife & Son were there, & drank Tea there.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Thirtyeth; went to Stockton-Races, dined at M^r. Sutton's with Messrs. Peirse & Wilson.

Wednesday the Thirty first and last Day; after breakfast I went to Kirk Leatham, I found Sis^r. Esther & Niece Mary there; went into Lazenby & Wilton Banks with M^r. Turner & his Hounds, they worried some Sheep; dined & laid all night at M^r. Turner's.

AUGUST 1771

Thursday the First; I spent the day & laid at K. Leatham, M^{rs}. Chaloner & Daught^r. dined there.

Friday the Second; breakfasted at my own House, received my Brother Jackson's & my own Rents at Yarm Fair; dined there, drank Tea at Cousⁿ. Forster's & return'd.

Saturday the Third; spent the day at home, receiving my Normanby & Upsil Rents.

Sunday the Fourth; I dined at Ayton, went to Church there, & returned in the evening.

Monday the Fifth; I went to Gisbro'; dined and laid all night at Kirk Leatham.

Tuesday the Sixth; dined at the Lady's-Tees-Water Club at Coatham 45 Members present, dance at K. Leatham in the evening ^2 eldest^ Miss Maulevers were there with Sist^r. Wilson, I came home at twelve.

Wednesday the Seventh; M^r. Marwood & Miss Metcalf (his Sister) called, Bro^r. & Sis^r. Wilson, Sist^r. Esther and two eldest Miss Mauleveres dined with me; I went with them to Ayton; laid all night at S^r. W^m. Foulis's.

Thursday the Eighth; after spending the day at S^r. W^m. Foulis's, I came home in the evening.

Friday the Ninth; I dined and laid all night at M^r. Turner's (at Kirk-Leatham).

Saturday the Tenth; Honourable M^r. Tho^s. Shirley, S^r. Frank Handish, M^r. Turner, M^{rs}. & Miss Sutheran, Miss Hoar, Niece Mary & self went to Kildale, shott on the Moor, dined & returned to K. Leatham.

Sunday the Eleventh; went to Kirk-Leatham Church in the forenoon, dined ^at K. Leatham^ and came home in the evening.

Monday the Twelfth; went to Gisbro'; dined at Ayton with M^r. Mauleverer, his Wife, 3 eldest Daughters & his Friend M^r. Lindsay, M^r. Garth was also there, we all stayed all night.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Thirteenth; we all went to Stokesley Church where Robert Drummond Arch-Bishop of York Confirmed the three eldest Miss Mauleverers & my two eldest Niece Wilsons (& thousands of others) I dined at Ayton & returned in the evening.

Wednesday the Fourteenth; I went to Kirk Leatham to breakfast where I found Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & their two eldest Daughters, who went to a Dance there last night; they dined with me & went away in the evening; M^r. Ja^s. Culley came after they went away.

Thursday the Fifteenth; I rode among my Farms with M^r. Culley, (& W^m. Mewburn), he went away after dinner, Rev^d. M^r. Consett dined with me and I drank Tea at his House.

Friday the Sixteenth; dined at Ayton, spent an hour at M^r. Preston's (at Stokesley) after, drank Tea at Ayton, and came home.

Saturday the Seventeenth; spent the day at home, & riding to Tho^s. Appleton's.

Sunday the Eighteenth; Rev^d. M^r. Consett with 6 of his family, M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn, dined & drank Tea wth me.

Monday the Nineteenth; in the evening I went to Ayton, laid all night at Bro^r. Wilson's.

Tuesday the Twentyeth; I breakfasted, spent the day & laid at M^r. Mauleverer's; M^r. Marwood, his Father & Mother, Bro^r. Fran^s. & Sist^r. dined & drank Tea there, Mrs. Hewgill & her son Thom^s. laid there.

Wednesday the Twenty First; I breakfasted at Arncliffe, dined at Doct^r. Wanley's at Stokesley with S^r. W^m. & Lady Foulis, drank Tea at Ayton & came home.

Thursday the Twenty Second; being Survey^r. of the Highways ^of Normanby^this Y^r. I attended a common days work today.

Friday the Twenty Third; breakfasted at Stockton, stayed an hour at M^r. Crozier Surtees's at Heighington, dined & laid M^r. James's; M^{rs}. Allen & Daughter there.

Saturday the Twenty Fourth; Cousⁿ. James, her two eldest Daughters, M^{rs}. Allen, her Daughter & self dined at Sedgfield, having first walked over M^r. Burdon's pleasure Ground at Hardwick, drank Tea at W^t. Auckland.

Sunday the Twenty Fifth; breakfasted at Darlington, dined & drank Tea at Ayton, & came home.

Monday the Twenty Sixth; rode to Appleton's, spent the rest of the day at home; Jn^o. Price being working here.

Tuesday the Twenty Seventh; dined at Gisbro' Fair, returned home by K. Leatham, wth M^r. Smith.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Twenty Eighth; paid a morning visit to old M^r. Turner at K. Leatham, before dinner, went to Ayton in the evening & laid there.

Thursday the Twenty Ninth; Niece Mary & I breakfasted at Stockton, ^dined^ at M^{rs}. Wilson's at Hartlepool, drank Tea at Stockton, and got to Ayton by eight. Brother & Sister Wilson were at M^r. Mauleverer's today.

Friday the Thirtyeth; spent the day at Ayton, & came home in the evening.

Saturday the Thirty First and last Day; after ^dinner^ I rode to Stockton, took Post Chaise to Hartlepool (being Rain) spent the evening at M^{rs}. Wilson's there.

SEPTEMBER 1771

Sunday the First; after breakfasting at Hartlepool, I called at Stockton, & dined at home.

Monday the Second; I breakfasted at M^r. Smith's at Marsk, he & M^r. Tho^s. Watson went with me to Grainge, before dinner we shott; the Company at dinner were Rev^d. M^r. Oldfield, Mess^{rs}. Smith, Wardell, Harrison, Tho^s. Watson & Rich^d. Watson, I did not get home till 12.

Tuesday the Third; rode to Tho^s. Appleton's before dinner; and went to Ayton in the evening.

Wednesday the Fourth; Bro^r. & Sis^r. Wilson their eldest Daughters - Twins- & self dined at M^r. Brown's at Stockton, drank Tea at Hartlepool at the lodgings (at M^{rs}. Youngers's) I took for us last Saturday. I was not well all day.

Thursday the Fifth; being better today I walked out but did not bathe, Bror. & Sistr.

Wilson did; after dinner Bro^r. Wilson & I rode to the black Rock (about four Miles north of Hartlepool) with M^r. Mauleverer and his Family, on our return I spoke to Miss M.

[*name not given*] she gave me no answer.

Friday the Sixth; I wrote to Miss M.(Sister Wilson gave her the Letter,) and appointed one o'Clo. to receive her answer, instead of which it was contrived that we shou'd walk before dinner, which we all did towards the Sea, she and I seperated a little from the Company (which consisted of Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, their 2 Daughters, & M^r. & M^{rs}.

Mauleverer and their three eldest Daughters) when she told me she thought herself too young, we joined the Company, & dined together in ordinary; Mr. Lindsey a Relation of theirs with us; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson their two Daughters & I drank Tea at M^{rs}. Wilson's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Seventh; I rode with M^r. Wilson round Seaton Snuke, before dinner, and after dinner we looked Jn^o. Middleton's Wind-Mill, & drank Tea at M^r. Mauleverer's lodgings.

Sunday the Eighth; after breakfast Bro^r. & Sis^r. & Niece Wilsons & I left Hartlepool, dined & drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Johnson's at Stockton, went to Church in the afternoon; supt at Ayton.

Monday the Ninth; I attended the Brewster Sessions & appeal for the Windows, at Gisbro', dined & drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Williamson's; came home in the evening.

Tuesday the Tenth; I dined at the Lady's-Tees-Water-Club (at Coatham) Sist^r. Esther in the Chair 38 in all; Esther & my Niece Mary stay'd at M^r. Turner's. I set Sist^r. Wilson to Gisbro', Bro^r. Wilson being at Stokesley (see yesterday) came home this evening.

Wednesday the Eleventh; I walked out with my Gun, but was drove in by the Rain, Bro^r. & Nep^w. Wilson dined with me, we tryed to find a Hare after.

Thursday the Twelfth; Rev^d. Doct^r. Wanley, M^r. Jn^o. Preston, & my Neighbour Consett & his Son dined with me; Tho^s. Eliot & M^r. Nelson's Nep^w. sat an hour in the afternoon.

Friday the Thirteenth; I walked into Eston Grounds with my Gun, John with me, did not see a Partridg', I rode to Ayton after dinner & returned.

Saturday the Fourteenth; I walked out with my Gun before & after dinner, but without success.

Sunday the Fifteenth; Bro^r. & Sis^r. Wilson their four children, Sister Esther & Niece Mary, Mally Lythe dined & drank Tea with me; I walked out in the evening.

Monday the Sixteenth; Rev^d. M^r. Metcalfe, his Son Marwood, Cole^o. Wright, & Capt. Wayne dined with me.

Tuesday the Seventeenth; Rev^d. M^r. Nelson, his Nephew (of London) Mess^{rs}. Thos. Elliot & Atkinson, dined with me. I went to Ayton in the evening.

Wednesday the Eighteenth; I set out at five, rode to Ingleby Cross, then took my Man Geo: into a Chaise, breakfasted at N^o. Allerton, dined at Harrogate, and laid at Bradford in the West Riding of Yorkshire.

Thursday the Nineteenth; at 5 we got into a Chaise, changed at Hallifax, breakfasted at Rochdale, dined at Manchester, drank Tea at Warrington, changed Chaise at Prescot, & supt at 9 M^r. W^m. James's at Liverpool, where I found Mr. Jn^o. James of W^t. Auckland.

Friday the Twentieth; I walked with Mess^{rs}. James into Town & about the Docks at Liverpool.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

M^r. W^m. James had a Turtle at his own House 15 Gentlemen came some of whom supt & spent the evening till Eleven.

Saturday the Twenty First; walked in and about the Town; & spent an hour at the Coffee Ho^{se}. in the evening.

Sunday the Twenty Second; rode in the morning on the North side of Town, dined with 12 Gentlemen at M^r. Dealtry's - a Tobacco Merchant.

Monday the Twenty Third; M^{rs}. James rode with us to Woolton School, returned to dine at M^r. Thos. Park's - Irish Linnen Merchant.

Tuesday the Twenty Fourth; walked in the morning; M^{rs}. James dined with us at M^r. Dobson's spent an hour at Pontuck's Coffee House in the evening.

Wednesday the Twenty Fifth; after breakfast M^r. Jn^o. James & I crossed the River Mersey in a Boat, from Liverpool to Rock-House in Cheshire; and in a Chaise from there to Chester City to dinner, walked along the Banks of the River Dee in the afternoon, supt and laid at Chester.

Thursday the Twenty Sixth; breakfasted at Northwich, where we saw the Rock-Salt-works, but did not go down into the Pits, changed Chaise at Knutsford, dined at Macclesfield & got to Buxton in Derbyshire in the evening.

Friday the Twenty Seventh; spent the day at Buxton - the old House, we were 65 in Company.

Saturday the Twenty Eighth; after breakfast we left Buxton, changed Chaise at Stoney-Middleton situated at the bottom of a most delightfully Romantick vale, dined at Sheffield, changed Chaise at Barnsley, & laid at Wakefield.

Sunday the Twenty Ninth; breakfasted at Leeds, I left Mr. James at Knaresbrough & taking George into the Chaise with me dined at Borrow'bridg', changed Chaise at Thirsk, laid at Ayton.

Monday the Thirtieth & last Day; I sent Geo: for my Horse, and after dining at Ayton, went home (see the 17th. inst.) Rob^t. Jackson spent the evening.

OCTOBER 1771

Tuesday - October the First; W^m. Sunley, my Man John Peirson & I killed a Leash of Hares on the Estate at Upsil I lately bought of M^r. Peirson (of Stokesley) & spoke to my Tenants there not to Attorn to S^r. James Pennyman which he had endeavour'd (in my

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

absence) to prevail on them to do, dined at home, W^m. Snowdon & Jn^o. Pearson [^]supt with me.[^]

Wednesday the Second; after dinner I went a shooting wth John, had ill success.

Thursday the Third; spent at home, much rain.

Friday the Fourth; I dined & drank Tea at Ayton, Bro^r. & Sis^r. Wilson & Niece Mary being at M^r. Peirses's at Peirseburgh, alias low Worsal; Rev^d. M^r. Hastwell came home with me.

Saturday the Fifth; Rev^d. M^r. Hastwell & I rode Coursing but did not see a Hare, Rev^d. M^r. Consett dined & spent the evening with us.

Sunday the Sixth; at seven Rev^d. M^r. Hastwell & I set out in much Rain, received the Sacrament at Ayton Church, had some talk with M^r. Augustine Skottowe about letting his late Father's House to my Sis^r. Esther, this now the property of Capt. Nich^s. Skottowe; came home in the evening, very dark & Rainy.

Monday the Seventh; after breakfast I set out for M^r. Peirses, but meeting him on the road, we went to his Farm before we went to his House to dinner, at four we set out in his Phaeton got to N^o. Allerton in the evening where we laid.

Tuesday the Eighth; M^r. Peirse & I proceeded to Thirsk Sessions ^{^in^} his Phaeton, the Bench consisted of fourteen Justices; L^d. Bellasyse & S^r. Bele^m. Graham took the Oaths, we returned to Allerton in the evening.

Wednesday the Ninth; M^r. Peirse & I got to his House to dinner & found Mess^{rs}. Reed Ward, Fr^a. Reed, & Fenwick (of York), I came home in the evening.

Thursday the Tenth; John & I went a shooting, but tho' we were out three hours did not see a Partridg', I spent the evening at John Hall's with the Neighbours settling the Highway Acco'ts.

Friday the Eleventh; wrote all the forenoon and drank Tea at M^r. Consett's in the afternoon.

Saturday the Twelfth; M^r. Consett dined with me, I drank Tea at Ayton & returned.

Sunday the Thirteenth; Jos: Cornforth & Jn^o. Laverick late Surveyors of the Highways dined with me, much Rain & high wind.

Monday the Fourteenth; I attended the Special Sessions at Gisbro' for appointing Survey^r of the Highways the ensuing year - laid at Ayton.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Fifteenth; I went with M^r. Wilson to the Special Sessions (see yesterday) M^r. Peirse & Rev^d. M^r. Moor & I drank Tea at Ayton, & came to my House in the evening where we found Mess^{rs}. Reed Ward & Fra^s. Reed to spend a few days.

Wednesday the Sixteenth; Mess^{rs}. Peirses, Moor, Ward, & Reed & I rode to the River side, killed a Hare, spent an hour at my Room at Thos. Appleton's, the two former left us, Mess^{rs}. Ward, Reed & self; we dined at two.

Thursday the Seventeenth; Mess^{rs}. Ward, Reed & self set out for Kirk-Leatham, but were drove back by bad weather, dined & spent the afternoon at home.

Friday the Eighteenth; Mess^{rs}. Ward, Reed & I rode over Barnaby Moor, through to Pinchinthorp to Ayton, dined, came to Normanby in the evening.

Saturday the Nineteenth; after breakfast Mess^{rs}. Ward, Reed & self went to Yarm Fair, I proceeded to dine at M^r. Pease's at Darnton, and laid at M^r. James's at W^t. Auckland.

Sunday the Twentyeth; I went to S^t. Helen-Auckland Church in the forenoon with M^r. James's family; Doct^r. Colesworth dined with us, his Mother & Sister drank Tea at M^r. James's.

Monday the Twenty First; I rode with M^r. James to Binchester, & returned to dinner.

Tuesday the Twenty Second; M^r. James & I dined at M^r. Peases's at Darlington, I came home.

Wednesday the Twenty Third; I walked out with my Gun; Sist^r. Est^r. Niece Mary Jackson, & Cousⁿ. Forster ^& M^r. R^d. Pickersgill^ came; Mess^{rs}. Smith, Rudd, & Duck dined.

Thursday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. Pickersgill (who lately sailed round the world with Cap^t. ^Ja^s. ^Cook, Messrs. Banks, Solander etc.- 2nd. Voy^e.) & I went out with our Guns, spent the afternoon at home wth. Cousⁿ. Forster etc. who are come to stay wth. me.

Friday the Twenty Fifth; M^r. Pickersgill & I breakfasted at M^r. Turner's; spent the day at home.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth; M^r. Pickersgill & I went a shooting before dinner - 3 Miss Consetts drank Tea, M^r. Consett supt with us.

Sunday the Twenty Seventh; M^r. Pickersgill & I walked to the Banks of the River before dinner.

Monday the Twenty Eighth; M^r. Pickersgill & I went to Gisbro', he dined at Col^l.

Hales's, I dined & drank Tea at M^r. Harrison's, M^{rs}. & Miss Boulby, Wardell etc. there.

Tuesday the Twenty Ninth; M^r. Pickersgill & I went a shooting before dinner;

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Thirtyeth; M^r. Pickersgill & myself set Sis^r. Esther etc. to Ayton, dined there, & he and I returned in the evening.

Thursday the Thirty First & last Day; M^r. Pickersgill went a shooting with me before dinner, we were very much fatigued on our return.

NOVEMBER 1771

Friday the First; Pickersgill & I took the Greyhounds with us towards Tho^s. Appleton's, returned to dinner.

Saturday the Second; M^r. Pickersgill & I dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk, who , with M^r. Wardell returned with us in the evening;

Sunday the Third; we all rode down towards the River before dinner, & walked out after.

Monday the Fourth; Mess^{rs}. Smith & Wardell went away after breakfast; spent the day in the House being stormy weather.

Tuesday the Fifth; Pickersgill & I dined and laid all night at Mr. Marwood's at Busby.

Wednesday the Sixth; we dined at Sister Est^{rs} at Ayton & came home afterwards.

Thursday the Seventh; being a very stormy day kept House.

Friday the Eighth; severe weather continues.

Saturday the Ninth; Pickersgill & I dined at M^r. Wilson's at Ayton; Mr. & Mrs.

Mauleverer left them this morning having been 2 days at Ayton, Pick^{ll}. & I drank Tea & spent the evening at M^r. Consett's

Sunday the Tenth; Tho^s. Carr & W^m. Robinson dined & went to Church with me: Rob^t. Jackson & W^m. Sunley spent the evening

Monday the Eleventh; I dined at Gisbro' and laid at Sister Esther's at Ayton; I left

George at Gisbro' to measure off 40 Galls Gin.^a at Mr. Danby's & he having got drunk the ^bay^ mare & he fell on their road to Ayton & were both lamed.

Tuesday the Twelfth; M^r. Pickersgill came to me at Ayton, attended Mr. Skottow's Sale & went home to Normanby in the evening.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; I went to Ayton & assisted Sistr. Esther in taking a Schedule of some Fixtures she is to have the use of in late ^old^ M^r. Skottowes House, dined and returned.

Thursday the Fourteenth; spent the day at home; W^m. Child of Brotton came, & dressed the bay Mair's wounds, she is very bad.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Fifteenth; a Rainy day, Rev^d. M^r. Consett, Rob^t. Jackson & W^m. Sunley dined & supt.

Saturday the Sixteenth; much Rain all day.

Sunday the Seventeenth; a gloomy bad day; Jno. Elgie wote me in the evening there was much fresh Water in the River, & that much damage was done thereby at Yarm & elsewhere.

Monday the Eighteenth; M^r. Pickersgill & I rode down to Tho^s. Appleton's (my Tenant) where we saw a dismall Scene, the shore of the River being covered with dead Cattle, Sheep, Wreck of Houses & Household Furniture, Timber etc.; Robert Jackson sent 8 horses & I attended myself all day with the assistance to get above high-water mark the wreck etc.

Tuesday the Nineteenth; Spent this day as yesterday: my Man Geo: went to Brotton with my little bay Mair see 11th & 14th inst. ; she dyed soon after he got there.

Wednesday the Twentieth; I spent the day as yesterday; sent Geo: to Cousin Forster's at Yarm with Provisions, that Town having suffered very melancholy by the late Flood, many Houses were washed in which several Lives were lost; Provisions & Furniture were swept away; M^r. Robert Culley came to my House: M^r. Pickersgill went away (for London) on board of a Sloop in the River, he has stayed with me since Wednesday the 23rd ult^o.

Thursday the Twenty First; Mr. Culley went away; after dinner I went to Appleton's again when much Timber etc. is got into safety.

Friday the Twenty Second; I went to Ayton, dined and returned.

Saturday the Twenty Third; I went to Marsk and there rode with M^r. Dundas & Mess^{rs}. Smith & Wardell we all dined at Coate's (an Ale House at Marsk) where M^r. Dundas gave Rob^t. Petch a Silver Cup (value about 2 G^{ns}) as a premium for having grown 4 Acres of the best Turnips, how'd, this year; I laid at M^r. Smith's.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; I came home after breakfast; went to Church after dinner & drank Tea at M^r. Consett's.

Monday the Twenty Fifth; I dined at Gisbro', drank Tea at Sist^r. Est^{rs} & laid at Brother Wilson's, Sir Wm. & Lady Foulis dined there today.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; I came home to breakfast, & then went out a shooting into the Banks wth. W^m. Snowdon.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Twenty seventh; I went a shooting into Lazenby Fields wth. W^m. & Tho^s. Snowdon; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Family & M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn dined and spent the evening with me.

Thursday the Twenty eighth; I called on Rob^t. Jackson who went with me to his Un: Rob^t. Harrison's where we killed a Leash of Hares & dined.

Friday the Twenty Ninth; I sent my Man John to Rob^t. Harrison's who assisted him to buy me a Mair of Rob^t. Adamson (rising 6 year's old) which he did for 7 1/2 G^{ns}. I rode on her to Ayton & returned after dinner.

Saturday the Thirtyeth & last Day; I regulated my Cellar; & after dinner took a ride to Tho^s. Appleton's.

DECEMBER 1771

Sunday the First; I walked to W^m. Robinson's; H^y. Weetman & Tho^s. Appleton dined with me; I went to Church & drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's.

Monday the Second; I dined at Gisbro', & laid at Ayton.

Tuesday the Third; I spent the day at Ayton, taking a ride before dinner with M^r. Wilson.

Wednesday the Fourth; I took leave of my Sister Esther, & Niece Mary Jackson, they sett off for London tomorrow- see Sunday 30th June last.

Thursday the Fifth; I met Rob^t. Harrison by appointment at Rob^t. Jackson's who with W^m. Sunley went with us to Barn'by Moor, we had good diversion with our Greyhounds, they dined with me.

Friday the Sixth; I dined at Ayton; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & his nephew Consett Wilson supt with me.

Saturday the Seventh; I rode to Appleton's before dinner; & after walked with my Gun into Weetman's Farm.

Sunday the Eighth; I rode to W^m. Mewburn's before dinner; Tho^s. Dixon, Jos^h. Cornforth & Ra: Jackson dined with me; W^m. Mewburn spent the evening.

Monday the Ninth; I went by Stockton to Yarm, where I dined, & after viewing the dismal Havock made there by the Flood of the 17th Ult^o. I went to M^r. Peirse's at Peirseburgh, where I found S^r. Tho^s. Wentworth B^t. & Rev^d. M^r. Moore.

Tuesday the Tenth; the above three Gentlemen & I rode to Yarm & after sauntering about for an hour, returned to Peirseburgh where Rev^d. M^r. Thompson Christened M^r.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Peirse's second Son (William) now about 5 weeks old, S^r. Griffith Boynton Bⁿ., Geo: Sutton Esq. & Miss Sutton were the Sponsors, I represented S^r. Griffith.

Wednesday the Eleventh; after breakfast M^r. Sutton & I left Peirseburgh; I dined at Ayton, & came home.

Thursday the Twelfth; after dinner I rode to Appleton's: & then to M^r. Smith's at Marsk.

Friday the Thirteenth; M^r. Smith & I calling at Skiningrove & Grainge, dined at Boulby, M^r. Wardell went with us to M^r. Sanderson's at Staiths with whom we sat an hour, he not being well; & laid at Boulby.

Saturday the Fourteenth; M^r. Smith & I dined at his House (at Marsk) & drank Tea at home.

Sunday the Fifteenth; I walked in the morning, & went to Church after dinner.

Monday the Sixteenth; met Mess^{rs}. Smith & Wardell at Gisbro' Market; I came home in the evening.

Tuesday the Seventeenth; I dined at Ayton, Doct^r. Kirton returned with me & laid all night, Rev^d. M^r. Consett spent the evening.

Wednesday the Eighteenth; spent the day at home.

Thursday the Nineteenth; Revd. Mess^{rs}. Williamson & Consett dined wth. me, the latter stayed all night.

Friday the Twentieth; I went (by Stockton) to Yarm where I met ten Gentlemen, (M^r. Mauleverer was there) to settle the Losses, & disburse the Money collected by Sundries for the sufferers by the late Flood at Yarm; I only dined and returned.

Saturday the Twenty First; I rode to the River before dinner, & walked after.

Sunday the Twenty Second; being very Rainy I kept House all day.

Monday the Twenty Third; I took a ride to Gisbro' Market & returned to dinner.

Tuesday the Twenty Fourth; I went to Ayton before dinner, to stay a few days.

Wednesday the Twenty Fifth; being Christmas-Day I went to Ayton Church in the forenoon.

Thursday the Twenty Sixth; spent all day ^at^ Ayton; this afternoon came Cap^t. Ja^s.

Cook (& his Wife) whose Father lives in that Town, this Gentleman lately Comanded the King's Bark, the Endeavour on her voyage round the World & made many discoverys in the South Seas & in high Southern Latitudes, M^r. Pickersgill (John Lee's Nephew) see Octob^r. 23rd went in the same vessel as Master's Mate; he and his Wife layed at Bro^r. Wilson's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Twenty seventh; Jn^o. Richardson & his wife drank Tea at Brother Wilson's.

Saturday the Twenty eighth; I came home from Ayton in the evening.

Sunday the Twenty Ninth; I went to Eston Chappel (as my Parish Church) & recei'd the Sacrament; my Tenants Thomas Carr and Robert Thomas dined with me.

Monday the Thirtyeth; I sat two hours with M^r. Turner at Kirkleatham before dinner, I spent the evening at M^r. Mewburn's with Rev^d. M^r. Consett & his Family.

Tuesday the Thirty First & last Day; I spent the day at home; Jo^s. Cornforth supt & smoaked a Pipe with me.

JANUARY 1772

Wednesday the First; Bro^r. Wilson sent for me, I dined there & discharged his Serv^t.

John Watson he having stolen some Arrack etc. out of the Cellars: laid there all night.

Thursday the Second; came home to breakfast, dined & spent the evening at M^r.

Consett's wth. M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn.

Friday the Third; I dined at Rob^t. Harrison's at Felbrigs, had good diversion with our Greyhounds Rob^t. Jackson & my Man John being with me.

Saturday the Fourth; walked to some Men I have at work planting Hedges near Tho^s. Carr's House; & to Jon^a. Garbutt's who is ill.

Sunday the Fifth; I walked to Tho^s. Appleton's in the morning; Jn^o. Laverick dined with me.

Monday the Sixth; I had a bad night, but being better this morning; I dined at Gisbro' & returned.

Tuesday the Seventh; I spent the day at home.

Wednesday the Eighth; as yesterday, a hard frost.

Thursday the Ninth; Rev^d. M^r. Williamson & Miss Place & M^r. & M^{rs}. Harrison came to dinner & to spend a few days, M^r. Consett & Family & M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn dined & spent the evening.

Friday the Tenth; Rev^d. M^r. Wiliamson & M^r. Harrison walked with me to Tho^s. Carr's; we & the Ladies drank Tea ^at^ M^r. Consett's.

Saturday the Eleventh; M^r. Williamson went away, but the weather being unfavourable the Ladies did not go; M^r. Harrison & I rode to Appleton's before dinner.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Twelfth; M^r. & M^{rs}. Harrison & Miss Place went home; I dined & laid at Ayton.

Monday the Thirteenth; dined at home, & then rode to Appleton's where I marked the Grn^d. for a new Hedge in S^o. Forest.

Tuesday the Fourteenth; Mess^{rs}. Peirse & Bacon Waistell called early, from K. Leatham, we breakfasted & I went with them to Peirseburgh, dined & laid all night.

Wednesday the Fifteenth; M^r. Peirse & I set forward in a very bad day, dined at Scorton & soon after we went M^r. Crow's at Kipling & laid all night.

Thursday the Sixteenth; M^r. Peirse & I intended to go Richmond Sessions but being a day too soon we returned to Peirseburgh to dinner, I laid there.

Friday the Seventeenth; after breakfast Rev^d. M^r. Moor, M^r. Peirse, & self walked to Yarm, returned to dinner ^at Peirseburgh.^

Saturday the Eighteenth; M^r. Peirse & I called at Stockton for an hour, then came to Acklam dined at M^{rs}. Hustler's, I came home; much Snow the last 3 days.

Sunday the Nineteenth; much Snow again today, I drank Tea & spent the evening at M^r. Consett's.

Monday the Twentieth; there's much Snow on the ground yet I went to Gisbro' dined, & went to Ayton where I laid all night.

Tuesday the Twenty First; Bror. Wilson & I dined at Doct^r. Wayne's; I came home in the evening.

Wednesday the Twenty Second; M^r. Ambrose Lynch Gilbert (from London) dined with me; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Family (Miss Williamson being there) drank Tea & spent the evening.

Thursday the Twenty Third; I went to Boulby before dinner, dined & laid all night.

Friday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. Wardell returned ^home^ with me, dining at M^r. Smith's on our return home; found M^r. James who came yesterday.

Saturday the Twenty Fifth; Mess^{rs}. James & Wardell stayed all day & night; M^r. Gilbert (see last Wednesday) dined with us, we concluded an Agreem^t. With him for all the Allum we make ^with the Pans^ at Boulby this & the two succeeding years, price 15£ 2s. P^r. Ton at Boulby.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth; M^r. Wardell went away, M^r. James & I drank Tea at M^r. Consett's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Twenty Seventh; being a very stormy day did not go to Gisbro' as I intended.

Tuesday the Twenty Eighth; Geo: & Philip Snowdon & Tho^s Webster of Ormsby; & Rob^t. Jackson, W^m. Sunley, & W^m. Mewburn of Eston dined with me, I settled a dispute among them about a poor Bastard Child.

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth, M^r. James & I rode to Geo: Snowdon's, returned to dinner, he took a Fit in the evening as we were playing at Backgammon.

Thursday the Thirtyeth; M^r. James went away, Messrs. Wardell & Gilbert met at my House at dinner when we finally closed our Agreement about Allum, see last Saturday, M^r. Wardell stay'd all night.

Friday the Thirty First & last Day; I went (by Ayton) to Stokesley where I dined & came home, found Mess^{rs}. Wardell & Smith, the former having dined at the latter's House at Marsk.

FEBRUARY 1772

Saturday the First; at 3 in the afternoon M^r. Gilbert sent me (from Stockton) the Article of Contract between us for Allum, but there being an error therein I went with it to M^r. Bradley (who drew it) & from then to M^r. Gilbert who was at Jon^a. Davison's at Norton, where we rectified the error, & I came home in much Snow.

Sunday the Second; Messrs. Wardell & Smith went away, I drank Tea at M^r. Consett's, much Snow.

Monday the Third; I have had a bad night; I sent Geo: to Gisbro' for M^r. Preston to assist me tomorrow; he came in the evening.

Tuesday the Fourth; being somewhat better I rode out a little, my Normanby & Upsal Tenants dined wth. me M^r. Preston recei'd their Rents for me, & went away in the evening.

Wednesday the Fifth; being better I rode to ^meet^ M^r. Matthews at Stokesley to whom I gave directions to appear for my Upsil Tenants against the Writ of Ejectment lately served upon them at the Suit of M^r. Peirson their late Landlord; I came home in the evening.

Thursday the Sixth; I spent at home.

Friday the Seventh; as yesterday.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Eighth; I rode to the Riverside & am much better ; we have a fine thaw.

Sunday the Ninth; I went to Ayton & returned after dinner; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Tho^s. Carr spent the evening.

Monday the Tenth; I dined at Gisbro' .

Tuesday the Eleventh; I went to Ayton & ^returned^ & found my Sister Esther had got from London yesterday with Oliver Preswick, having had some difficulty from the overflowing of many Rivers on the road.

Wednesday the Twelfth; I rode down to the River side; & walked after dinner.

Thursday the Thirteenth; a bad day, I drank Tea at M^r. Consett's & he spent the evening with me.

Friday the Fourteenth; I dined at Ayton & return'd, a very stormy day with Snow.

Saturday the Fifteenth; a busy day plowing Furrows in my Field called the Tofts, I got a Pipe of Port & a Hh'd of Mountain Wine home today from Lynn, the Vessell that they were brought in was stranded on Coatham Sands last Thursday.

Sunday the Sixteenth; I went to Ayton in the morning & laid at Sister Esther's there, where I shall from this time usually be, she having taken old M^r. Skottow's House that he lately dyed in. Monday the Seventeenth; I went from Ayton to Gisbro'. dined there & return'd home.

Tuesday the Eighteenth; went to Stockton after dinner where I found M^r. Baker & his Steward Jos^a. Snowdon who both came home with me & found M^r. Wardell at my House.

Wednesday the Nineteenth; spent this day at my House, save that we rode to Appleton's in the ^evening.^

Thursday the Twentieth; spent all this day at my House, much Snow falls.

Friday the Twenty First; we all went to Stockton M^r. Wardell returned with me so did M^r. Geo: Sutton.

Saturday the Twenty Second; M^r. Sutton went away, I dined wth. M^r. Wardell at M^r. Smith's & came home.

Sunday the Twenty Third; I dined & laid all night Ayton.

Monday the Twenty Fourth; spent the day at Ayton & came home in the evening.

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth; spent this day at home, being very Rainy.

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; Rev^d. M^r. Nelson & Mess^{rs}. Hewit, Atkinson, Herd, & Brown all of Kirk-Leatham dined with me, the 3 former laid all night.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Thursday the Twenty Seventh; I dined at M^r. Smith's & meeting wth. M^r. Wardell there went wth. him to Boulby.

Friday the Twenty eighth; spent the day at Boulby on business & laid there.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth & last Day; M^r. Wardell & I dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk, where we met Rev^d. M^r. Luscelles by appointm't. I came home at eight.

MARCH 1772

Sunday the First; dined at Ayton, & sat an hour in the evening at M^r. Consett's H'e.

Monday the Second; dined at Gisbro'. & laid at Ayton.

Tuesday the Third; came home in the evening.

Wednesday the Fourth; I rode to Upsil Mill where Edw^d. Wall, Millwright is at work for me.

Thursday the Fifth; I went with Rob^t. Jackson, Geo: Hammond, Rich^d. Jackson & Jn^o.

Scarth & our Greyhounds into W^t. Coatham Marsh had good diversion, they dined with me; Rev^d. M^r. Nelson came & laid all night.

Friday the Sixth; my Brother Wilson sent a Servant to let me know that my Sister Wilson was last night delivered of a Boy (her ninth Child) the fifth now alive; I dined at Ayton where I found Doct^r. Kirton who had been there all night, I came home.

Saturday the Seventh; spent the day among my workmen about home, & the even'g at Mr. Consett's.

Sunday the Eighth; dined & drank Tea at Ayton found my Sis^r. & Child purely, Kirton dined there.

Monday the Ninth; dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Tenth; dined & drank Tea at Ayton.

Wednesday the Eleventh; spent the day at home.

Thursday the Twelfth; breakfasted at M^r. Smith's, he, Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles & Langstaff & I coursed about Brotton, & dined at W^m. Child's, spent the evening & laid at Marsk.

Friday the Thirteenth; being a very bad day I stay'd at Marsk till the evening; M^r. Raisbeck dined there.

Saturday the Fourteenth; went to Ayton in the evening.

Sunday the Fifteenth; I came home after drinking tea at Ayton; a very Snowy day.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Sixteenth; very stormy day, I sent Geo: to conduct Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles from Gisbro' to my House, he & Mess^{rs}. Smith & Langstaff dined & laid here.

Tuesday the Seventeenth; they spent all this day & night with me; the weather wo'd not allow us to go ^out^.

Wednesday the Eighteenth; the 3 Gentlemen above left me, M^r. Lascelles went Southward, a fine thaw.

Thursday the Nineteenth; spent at home.

Friday the Twentyeth; dined & drank Tea at Ayton.

Saturday the Twenty First; walked out among my workmen before dinner; a rainy afternoon.

Sunday the Twenty Second; went to Ayton in the morning & return'd in the evening.

Monday the Twenty Third; we had a Meeting (Justices) at Gisbro'. Jn^o. Laverick & Jn^o. Pearson supt with me.

Tuesday the Twenty Fourth; I dined at Sedgfield where I was met by M^r. Baker's Serv^t. drank Tea ^& laid^ at Elemore, so did M^r. Geo: Pearson of Durham.

Wednesday the Twenty Fifth; I spent all day at Elmore; M^r. Hebdon musick master lay'd there.

Thursday the Twenty Sixth; spent two hours at Mr. Geo: Pearson's Office in Durham, dined at an Inn there, & drank Tea at Mr. James's at West-Auckland, where I found Capt. Hilton.

Friday the Twenty Seventh; Mr. James & I rode to Staindrop & returned before dinner.

Saturday the Twenty eighth; a rainy day, Mess^{rs}. Hutchinson & Adamson of Barnard-Castle dined & layd all night at Mr. James's.

Sunday the Twenty Ninth; a very rainy day, Mr. Hutchinson went to Durham, but Mess^{rs}. Hilton & Adamson stay'd another night.

Monday the Thirtyeth; much Snow fell last night & to-day, which detained me at West-Auckland.

Tuesday Thirty First & last Day; Mess^{rs}. Hilton & James left West-Auckland the former fell from his Horse in bildershaw Bank, no worse; the latter dined with me, & Mr.

Wilkinson at Mr. Pease's at Darlington; I came home in the evening.

APRIL 1772

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the First; I dined at Ayton.

Thursday the Second; Jos Agar breakfast went with me to Yarm Fair; this is the first for his receiving Rents for Cousins Richd. Spencer & Esther Bingley: I drank Tea at Cousin Forster's & came home.

Friday the Third; I dined at Ayton so did Revd. Mr. Hastwell who this day Christened my Nephew William Wilson born the 5th. of last Month (see the 6th) I came home after Tea, Ja^s. Thompson sat the evening with me, see Cash Book.

Saturday the Fourth; I sat two hours at W^m. Sunley's in the afternoon, drank Tea at M^r. Consett's, W^m. Robinson smoaked a Pipe with me in the evening.

Sunday the Fifth; my Tenants Carr & Appleton dined with me, Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Family drank Tea, & he spent the evening with me.

Monday the Sixth; dined at the Inn at Gisbro', & drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Williamson's before I came home.

Tuesday the Seventh; dined at Boulby, drank Tea, supt, & laid at M^{rs}. Peases's at Whitby.

Wednesday the Eighth; spent the day at Cousin Pease's, taking a walk to a Wood above Whitby with Ja^s. Pease, M^{rs}. Robson & Bateman & Betty Pease.

Thursday the Ninth; dined at Boulby, drank tea at Marsk, & came home to supper.

Friday the Tenth; dined & drank Tea at Ayton.

Saturday the Eleventh; spent the day at home.

Sunday the Twelfth; I rode to Appleton's with Wm. Lamb in the morning; Wm.

Robinson & Hy. Weetman dined with me; drank Tea at Ayton & returned; by this Post my Brother tells me of the sudden Death of my Cousⁿ R^d. Spencer's Wife.

Monday the Thirteenth; dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Fourteenth; dined ^& layed^ at Dinsdale on a visit to Mess^{rs}. Ward & Reed.

Wednesday the Fifteenth; spent the day at Dinsdale.

Thursday the Sixteenth; as yesterday, save that we drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Addison's.

Friday the Seventeenth; came home dining at Stockton on my return.

Saturday the Eighteenth; Rev^d. M^r. Consett dined & drank Tea with me.

Easter Sunday the Nineteenth; much Snow fell last night, I went to Church in the afternoon, Rob^t. Jackson, Wm. Sunley & Wm. Snowdon supt with me.

Easter Monday the Twentyeth; spent the day at Ayton.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Easter Tuesday the Twenty First; went by Benj^a. Nusum's of Berwick, to Stockton where I dined with Cousⁿ. James & her Daught^r. Eliz^h. & M^r. Wilkinson, who all came home with me.

Wednesday the Twenty Second; spent the day at home with my Company; Brother Wilson & his Son George dined & drank Tea with me.

Thursday the Twenty Third; Rev^d. M^r. Nelson breakfasted & dined with me, he, M^r. Wilkinson & I rode to the River side before dinner & to Kirk-Leatham; after looking over that place, M^r. Wilkinson & I returned.

Friday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. Wilkinson & I dined & drank Tea at Ayton, on our return found Cousⁿ. James much out of order.

Saturday the Twenty Fifth; M^r. Ja^s. James called on his road from Whitby to Dalton where he is going to reside as a Common Brewer; after dinner he & M^r. Wilkinson went away; Cousⁿ James continues poorly.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth; Sister Esther came to dinner & stayed all night, Cousin James is worse to day & was bled by Ch^r. Armstrong.

Monday the Twenty Seventh; W^m. Wilson of Berwick breakfasted with me; I went to Gisbro' & was joined by Bro^r. Wilson & M^r. Chaloner having Ja^s. Potter & Alice Bowman of Moorsome under examination on suspicion of poisoning her Husband (Alex^r.), I laid at Ayton.

Tuesday the Twenty Eighth; I went to Thirsk Sessions calling on M^r. Mauleverer at Arncliffe, & M^r. Boulby with him; 11 Justices on the Bench; I returned to Ayton, taking Chaise to Ingleby Cross.

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth; went to Gisbro' with Bro^r. Wilson who with Mr. Chaloner joined me in comiting Potter & Alice Bowman to York Castle (see last Monday: I came home in the evening.

Thursday the Thirtyeth & last Day; Cousn. James is better; Sis^r. Esther went away on Tuesday; Mr. Smith dined with me; we bottled a Pipe of Port wine.

MAY 1772

Friday the First; Cousⁿ. James & Eliz^h. went with me to Ayton, Niece Esther's birth day (11 Y^{ts}. old), I came home in the evening.

Saturday the Second; rode to Thom^s. Appleton's in the afternoon.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Third; as I was going to Church after dinner I was met by Mr. Portus, Mr. Pease's Partner, who detained me an hour, I walked with Miss Conset's to W^m. Mewburn's in the evening.

Monday the Fourth; dined at Gisbro' with other Justices, we took in the Lists for balloting the Militia, this is the first day of my acting as D^{ty}. Lieut^t.

Tuesday the Fifth; dined at Ayton, & then went to Stokesley where was a Meeting of the Justices etc. see yesterday; came home in the evening.

Wednesday the Sixth; dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk with Mess^{rs}. Wardell & Easterby.

Thursday the Seventh; spent the day at home.

Friday the Eighth; I dined at Ayton; Cousin James & Eliz^h. came home with me, see 1st inst.

Saturday the Ninth; spent all day at home; Miss Consetts drank Tea with us.

Sunday the Tenth; M^r. James came before dinner, we ate & drank Tea at M^r. Consett's.

Monday the Eleventh; M^r. James & I went to Gisbro', returned ^soon^ after^ to dinner^; M^r. Consett & Family & M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn drank Tea with us.

Tuesday the Twelfth; spent the day at home; Sister Esther came down after dinner, M^r. James went away.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; Cousin James, Sister & self drank tea at W^m. Mewburn's.

Thursday the Fourteenth; spent the day at home, save walking to Eston with the Ladies.

Friday the Fifteenth; I had a bad night took the Sack Drop, & am not well all day.

Saturday the Sixteenth; am so much better as to walk out, Bro^r. Wilson & Geo: dined with me.

Sunday the Seventeenth; after breakfast Cousⁿ. James & Eliz^h. left me, having come to my House 21st. Ulto. I went to Ayton with Sister and returned in the evening.

Monday the Eighteenth; M^r. Fox walked from Gisbro' & after breakfast left me, I dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Nineteenth; spent at home.

Wednesday the Twentieth; Mess^{rs}. Smith, Wardell, Easterby & Harrison dined & laid all night.

Thursday the Twenty First; Mess^{rs}. Smith & Harrison went away but Mess^{rs}. Wardell & Easterby stay all day & night, we rode to the River side before dinner; Bro^r. Wilson & Geo: dined with me.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Twenty Second; Mess^{rs}. Wardell & Easterby left me after breakfast, I spent the day with the Paviers in the Lane.

Saturday the Twenty Third; I spent the day with Rob^t. Trenholm, paving a broad Causeway in ^the^ Lane .

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; I went to Church & spent the rest of the day at home.

Monday the Twenty Fifth; I went to Gisbro' & returned in the evening.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; a very rainy day, Revd. Mr. Consett dined with me.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; I went to Boulby with Tho^s. Appleton called at Grainge on our return, & at Marsk M^r. Jn^o. Harrison served me with Copy of a Writ at the suit of M^r. Gilbert, see 30th Jan last, who thinks himself aggrieved by our sending M^r. Core to sell for our use 45 Tons of Allum, & which we can clearly prove were excepted out of our contract with him, that quantity having been manufactur'd in 1771.

Thursday the Twenty Eighth; I sent a special Messenger to M^r. Baker; & went to Gisbro' in the afternoon to meet M^r. Chaloner but he was gone from home.

Friday the Twenty Ninth; wrote to Tho^s. Appleton's before dinner; spent an hour at M^r. Consett's.

Saturday the Thirtyeth; I went to Ayton in the evening, where ^Rev^d.^ M^r. Blackburn (Arch: Deacon of Cleveland) his Wife, eldest Son & Daughter.

Sunday the Thirty First & last Day; Rev^d. M^r. Blackburn preached at Ayton in the forenoon, & read Prayers in the afternoon; his Son W^m. came from Stockton.

JUNE 1772

Monday the First; Bro^r. Wilson & I attended the A:Deacon to Stokesley where he held his visitation we dined with him there, & all came to Ayton in the evening.

Tuesday the Second; M^r. & M^{rs}. Blackburn went to Hemsley, I went to Coatham (Ladies) Club, the first this year, M^{rs}. Turner in the Chair, Nineteenth; 19 Members were present; M^r. Wardell laid at my House, M^r. Harrison supt with us.

Wednesday the Third; M^r. Wardell & I called at Stockton for half an hour, dined at Sedgfield & go to M^r. Baker's at Elemore in the evening.

Thursday the Fourth; I am not very well, spent the day at M^r. Baker's, M^r. Pearson of Durham came to us & drew a Case for Counsell's opinion in our concern with M^r. Gilbert see 27th Ult^o.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Fifth; spent all day at M^r. Baker's.

Saturday the Sixth; M^r. Wardell & I baited at Sedgfield, dined at Stockton, & got to Normanby in the evening.

Sunday the Seventh; M^r. Wardell went away, I dined & drank Tea at Ayton.

Monday the Eighth; I attended at Gisbro' a Meeting for an Appeal of the Land Tax, dined at M^r. Harrison's.

Tuesday the Ninth; I dined & laid at Ayton.

Wednesday the Tenth; met Mess^{rs}. Rudd & W^m. Richardson at Newton Wood by appointment, came home to dinner; M^r. Culley came in the evening to my House.

Thursday the Eleventh; M^r. Culley & I rode to Tho^s. Appleton's; Mess^{rs}. Rudd, Harrison, Danby, Sanders, Robson, & Dale of Gisbro'; Watson of Upleatham, & Bowzer of Brotton dined & spent the evening with us.

Friday the Twelfth; M^r. Culley & I dined & drank Tea at Ayton, returned in the evening.

Saturday the Thirteenth; M^r. Culley & I rode to Coatham after before dinner, & in the afternoon upon Barnanby Moor.

Sunday the Fourteenth; M^r. Culley went away, I received the Sacrament at Eston Chapel (^as^ my local Parish Church) M^r. & M^{rs}. Newburn, Miss Consetts drank Tea with me at Thom^s. Appleton's.

Monday the Fifteenth; dined at Ayton;

Tuesday the Sixteenth; Sist^r. Esther & Miss Sally Blackburn called at my House, I went with them in their Chaise to Coatham Club (M^{rs}. Peirse in the Chair) they returned with me & laid all night at my House.

Wednesday the Seventeenth; Sist^r. & Miss Sally Blackburn went away after dinner.

Thursday the Eighteenth; spent all day with the Paviers in the Lane.

Friday the Nineteenth; as yesterday.

Saturday the Twentyeth; went to Ayton after dinner and returned.

Sunday the Twenty First; I went to Church; M^r. Consett & two of his Daugh^{trs}. drank Tea with me.

Monday the Twenty Second; breakfasted & dined at Ayton; went to Stokesley & and came home for Tea.

Tuesday the Twenty Third; M^r. & M^{rs}. Passman & their Son, M^r. Consett & Family & M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn dined & drank Tea with me. I rode to W^m. Mewburn's in the afternoon, spent the evening wth. them at M^r. Consett's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; I gave close attention to the Paviers in the Lane, who finished for this Year having paved 51 roods & 2 yards of Causeway 5 yards broad.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth; breakfasted at M^r. Smith's, who went with me to Boulby, we found M^r. Wardell very ill, so we dined at M^r. Easterby's on our rode home; I found M^r.

^Jos^ Snowdon at my House in the evening.

Friday the Twenty Sixth; after breakfast M^r. Jo^s. Snowden proceeded to Boulby ; I dined at Ayton.

Saturday the Twenty Seventh; I called for an hour at Stockton, the same at Cap^t. Hilton's at Haughton, & drank Tea & laid at M^r. James's.

Sunday the Twenty eighth; being a very rainy day, M^r. James & I took Post Chaise, breakfasted at M^r. Adamson's, dined at Brough, changed Chaise at Appleby, & got to Doctor Dunn's at Lowther to Tea; my Servant Geo: led our Horses.

Monday the Twenty Ninth; Mess^{rs}. Dunn, James & I rode through S^r. James Lowther's Park, by Bampton & to Haws Water & returned to dinner.

Tuesday the Thirtyeth & last Day; we rode to Uls. Water & to Penrith Market, returned to dinner.

JULY 1772

Wednesday the First; I was not well which prevented our seeing Keswick Lake.

Thursday the Second; being better I rode with M^r. Dunn to see his Farm before dinner.

Friday the Third; Mess^{rs}. Dunn & James & myself came to Appleby in M^r. Dun's Chaise, we left him there, dined at Bowes, & after staying an hour at M^r. W^m. Hutchinson's at Bn^d.Castle reach'd Wt. Auckland to supper.

Saturday the Fourth; spent at W^t. Auckland.

Sunday the Fifth; M^r. James & his two Sons (Geo: & Thom^s. Ward) set me to Denton in the morning: I dined there (at M^r. Culley's) I came home in the evening.

Monday the Sixth; dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Seventh; at seven this morning Jon^o. Thornton (House Clerk at Boulby) brought me word that M^r. Thomas Wardell, late our Chief Clerk dyed at Boulby at seven o'Clo yesterday evening: I dined at Ayton.

Wednesday the Eighth; I rode to the River side before dinner; in the evening Mess^{rs}.

Pearson (Att^y.) of Durham & Jo^s. Snowdon (M^r. Baker's Steward) came to my House.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Thursday the Ninth; Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Snowdon & I dined at Boulby, & then attended
^late^ M^r. Wardell's Corps to Easington Churchyard where he was inter'd (aged 63). M^r
Pearson & I laid at Grainge.

Friday the Tenth; spent all day at Boulby with Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Snowdon looking over
late M^r. Wardell's Acco^{ts}. & settling for our Suit with Gilbert, see 27th May, M^r.

Harrison is employed by M^{rs}. Wardell in her private Acc^{ts}. late M^r. Wardell has dyed
Intestate.

Saturday the Eleventh; M^r. Pearson left me at Grainge this morning, I spent the day at
Boulby & riding to Staiths with M^r. Snowdon, M^r. Harrison laid at Grainge.

Sunday the Twelfth; M^r. Harrison left me at Grainge, I rode to Boulby for an hour, &
dined at home at 3 o'Clock; M^r. Consett spent the evening with me.

Monday the Thirteenth; I found myself much out of order, however I dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Fourteenth; I attended the Quarter Sessions at Stokesley, tho' very much out
of order & have a hoarseness, got home at nine.

Wednesday the Fifteenth; so ill to day as to be most of it confined to my Bed.

Thursday the Sixteenth; am better but confined to the House, M^r. Consett sat an hour
^with me^ after dinner.

Friday the Seventeenth; am better & rode out.

Saturday the Eighteenth; rode out again today.

Sunday the Nineteenth; dined & drank Tea at Ayton; M^r. Preston came to me there,
came home.

Monday the Twentyeth; dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Twenty First; dined at an Ale House at Lofthouse with M^r. Smith; spent a
few hours at Boulby, laid at Grainge.

Wednesday the Twenty Second; I bathed at Staiths for the first time this year, dined &
spent the day at Boulby among our Acco^{ts}. M^r. Harrison came.

Thursday the Twenty Third; spent the day at Boulby as usual among the Accounts.

Friday the Twenty Fourth; bathed at Staiths; spent day as yesterday.

Saturday the Twenty Fifth; as yesterday.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth; I came home to dinner.

Monday the Twenty Seventh; dined at Gisbro', from whence Mr. Jn^o. Raisbeck returned
with me.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Twenty eighth; Mr. Preston came, supened & examined my Witnesses in Mewburn's Cause, & went away after dinner; I drank Tea at Mr. Smith's & laid at Grainge where I have a Tent Bed.

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth; I bathed at Staiths, & then attended the Accounts at Boulby as last week; Mr. Harrison being there for M^{rs}. Wardell.

Thursday the Thirtyeth; as yesterday.

Friday the Thirty First & last Day; bathed at Staiths dined at Boulby, & came home after.

AUGUST 1772

Saturday-August, the First; I received some Rents, & spent the whole day at home.

Sunday the Second; dined at Ayton, called on M^r. Preston at Stokesley wth. whom I went in Post Chaise ^to^ Thirsk.

Monday the Third; M^r. Preston & I breakfasted at Easingwold, got to York by Ten, answered to my name as Justice of the Peace & dined with Judg' Gold, went to the Play in the evening with M^r. Preston.

Tuesday the Fourth; I attended the Court of Assize most of the day, spent the evening with Mess^{rs}. Smith, Harrison, & Preston at the Inn.

Wednesday the Fifth; I attended several Tryals as yesterday, dined & spent the evening at the Inn.

Thursday the Sixth; by the advice of M^r. Smith I compromised my dispute with Geo: & Ja^s. Mewburn, & being indisposed by attending the Court I left York at 3 with M^r. Preston, I laid at Knaresbrough, he at Ripley.

Friday the Seventh; I called on M^r. Preston at Ripley (where S^r. Jn^o. Ingleby Bart. dyed last Monday) called at Rippon, dined at Thirsk, & I laid at Ayton.

Saturday the Eighth; came home to dinner.

Sunday the Ninth; I dined at M^r. W^m. Turner's after going to K. Leatham Church, M^r. & M^{rs}. Swinburn of Coxhow were there.

Monday the Tenth, spent all day at home Monday the Tenth;

Tuesday the Eleventh; dined at Ayton, rode to M^r. Preston at Stokesley, & returned home by Ayton.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday ^the^ Twelfth; Went to Boulby to laid at my Tenant's (Jane White's) at Grainge as usual.

Thursday the Thirteenth; Bathed at Stainth's & spent the day among late M^r. Wardell's Acco^{ts}.

Friday the Fourteenth; spent the day at Boulby, save walking into the Works & drink^g. Tea with Geo: Dodds.

Saturday the Fifteenth; I was two hours of the forenoon at Boulby, dined & drank Tea at M^r. Smith's ^came home.^

Sunday the Sixteenth; dined at Mr. Consett's then went to Church, & his Family drank Tea with me.

Monday the Seventeenth; dined at Gisbro' and lay'd all night at Ayton.

Tuesday the Eighteenth; spent the day at Ayton, & came home in the evening wth. Hen^y. Pecket, late an old Servant of my late Fathers.

Wednesday the Nineteenth; Harry & I rode to Tho^s. Appleton's, spent the rest of the day about home.

Thursday the Twentieth; Harry Pecket went away before dinner; Mr. Cuthb^t. Readshaw ^of Richmond^ sat two hours with me in the evening; we had a heavy shower of Rain.

Friday the Twenty First; spent at home; we had much Rain, tho' till yesterday a long drought.

Saturday the Twenty Second; I went by Benj^a. Nusum's (of Berwick) to Stockton, dined there with my Yarm Tenants & my Brother's, M^r. Baker & Jo^s. Snowdon came soon after, they came home with me, we found M^r. Harrison at my House.

Sunday the Twenty Third; heavy Rain with Thunder; Doct^r. Kirton dined with us.

Monday the Twenty Fourth; Mess^{rs}. Baker, Snowdon, Harrison & self dined at Boulby, I laid in my own Tent Bed at Grainge as usual.

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth; I spent the day with M^r. Baker etc. among late M^r. Wardell's Acco'ts.

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; as yesterday.

Thursday the Twenty Seventh; as yesterday.

Friday the Twenty eighth; as yesterday.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth; as yesterday.

Sunday the Thirtieth; M^r. Baker & I dined at old M^r. Turner's on our road to my House, M^r. Snowdon dined at Boulby before he came to us.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Thirty First & last Day; Mess^{rs}. Baker & Snowdon went away, I dined & drank Tea at Gisbro'.

SEPTEMBER 1772

Tuesday the First; M^r. Harrison of Gisbro' came down before dinner, & Anth^o. (& his Son Thomas) Lax near Gilling came, I having summoned them to appear before me, whose information I took wherein they charged W^m. Kipling with having stolen a Mare from s^d. Anth^o. & having on my examination of s^d. Kipling convicted him thereof, I committed him to York Castle; M^r. Harrison stayed all night.

Wednesday the Second; Bro^r. Wilson, his Son Geo: & M^r. Sober Hall (Cap^t. Jackson's Chief Mate last voyage) dined with me; M^r. Harrison went to Stockton & returned to my House in the evening with M^r. Geo: Pearson.

Thursday the Third; Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Harrison went with me to Boulby; I laid at Grainge as usual.

Friday the Fourth; spent all day at Boulby with the above Gentlemen, among late M^r. Wardell's Acc^{ts}.

Saturday the Fifth; the above Gentlemen called on me at Grainge, M^r. Harrison went home, M^r. Pearson dined with me at Normanby, & proceeded to Durham.

Sunday the Sixth; dined & drank Tea at Ayton.

Monday the Seventh; walked out with my Gun before dinner; Rob^t. Jackson & Jn^o. Laverick supt with me:

Tuesday the Eighth; dined & drank Tea at Ayton, M^r. Robson of Whitby came there to stay a fortnight with my Sist^r.

Wednesday the Ninth; rode to Appleton's & walked out from there with my Gun before dinner.

Thursday the Tenth; I rode to M^r. Harrison's of Gisbro' about Boulby affairs; M^r. Smith dined wth. me at home.

Friday the Eleventh; rainy weather; I rode to Thom^s. Appleton's in the evening.

Saturday the Twelfth; walked out with my Gun towards Lackenby in the morning; Bro^r. Wilson & his Son Geo; Sist^r. Esther, & M^{rs}. Robson dined & drank tea with me.

Sunday the Thirteenth; dined & drank Tea at Sist^r. Esther's

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Fourteenth; Mess^{rs}. Cha^s. Turner & Chaloner & self held the Brewster Sessions at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Fifteenth; rode out a shooting before dinner, spent the afternoon at home.

Wednesday the Sixteenth; I breakfasted at M^r. Smith's who went with me to Staiths, we rode under Huncliff & lookt over S^r. Lawrence Dundas' Allum House at Hummersty as we went; after dining at Staiths we returned to our respective homes; I found Doct^r. Wayne & M^r. Preston at my House.

Thursday the Seventeenth; Doct^r. Wayne, M^r. Preston & I spent a few hours a shooting before dinner, where were joined by Bro^r. & Sis^r. Wilson, their 2 eldest Girls & Son Geo: & Cousⁿ. Robson of Whitby they all went away after Tea.

Friday the Eighteenth; I dined at Thom^s. Appleton's on cold victuals, then spent an hour on board the Nancy Tho^s. Wilson Mast^r. who has brought me 55 Tons of Kelp Ashes from Boulby for the high Tofts field near my House.

Saturday the Nineteenth; spent all day at home, save about 2 hours towards evening ^in the fields^ with my Gun.

Sunday the Twentieth; I dined & drank Tea at Bro^r. Wilson's so did Rev^d. M^r. & M^{rs}. Williamson & Miss Place; I found M^r. Pearson & Jos. Snowdon at my House in the evening.

Monday the Twenty First; after breakfast Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Snowdon & myself went to Boulby to inspect late M^r. Wardell's Acco^{ts}. there; I laid at Grainge.

Tuesday the Twentieth; spent the day at Boulby:- drank Tea at M^r. Sanderson's (at Staiths) in the Evening.

Wednesday the Twenty Third; spent all day at Boulby; & laid there the evening being very stormy.

Thursday the Twenty Fourth; Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Snowdon left Boulby to go home (to Durham etc.) dined at M^r. Tulley's (at Kilton) & came home.

Friday the Twenty Fifth; I dined at the Sign of the Cock in Gisbro' on the invitation of my Cousⁿ. Rich^d. Spencer & went to Ayton in the evening with him & M^r. Holst, a Russian Gent. related to late M^{rs}. Spencer.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth; I came home in Evening.

Sunday the Twenty Seventh; my Tenants Dixon, Carr, & Cornforth dined with me, we had no divine at Eston Chapel; Revd. Mr. Consett having dislocated his Shoulder lately, I drank Tea with him, & his Son supt with me.

96) Monday the Twenty Eighth; I took John a shooting with me to Nunthorp, eat a piece of cold Beef there, he returned but I laid at Ayton.

Tuesday the Twenty Ninth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & Mess^{rs}. Spencer & Holst & I went to Coatham (Ladies) Club, my Sister returned to Ayton, but we all came to Normanby.

Wednesday the Thirtyeth & last Day; we all four dined at an Inn at Stockton, & returned to Tea: M^r. Spencer & I sat an hour at Cousin Forster's at Yarm before dining at Stockton.

OCTOBER 1772

Thursday the First; we all went to Ayton before dinner, the Marwood Family dined at Bro^r. Wilson's, I laid at Sister Esther's.

Friday the Second; I was not well at Ayton all day.

Saturday the Third; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & Mess^{rs}. Spencer & Holst dined at S^r. W^m. Foulis's, I walked out a little in the evening with my Gun, near Ayton.

Sunday the Fourth; came home before dinner.

Monday the Fifth; I spent 2 or 3 hours with my workmen pileing & planking the part of my Cliff near Thom^s. Appleton's, I walked home having my Gun, I met my Neighbours at Jack Hall's in the evening about our Highways.

Tuesday the Sixth; I rode to Appleton's in the morning: Mess^{rs}. Geo: & Jn^o. Sutton & Sober Hall, & Rev^d. M^r. Johnson dined & laid all night with me.

Wednesday the Seventh; all my Company left me, but not till Mess^{rs}. Jn^o. Sutton & Hall had walked out with me, with our Guns, & they had taken a snack dinner; I spent the afternoon at Thom^s. Appleton's with my workmen there; & went to Ayton after workman gave over work.

Thursday the Eighth; dined at home Rev^d. M^r. Nelson drank Tea with me.

Friday the Ninth; I rode to Upsil a shooting before dinner, Rev^d. M^r. Consett, & his Family & M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn & Doct^r. Wilson drank Tea & supt with me.

Saturday the Tenth; spent day at Appleton's, I settled the Highway Acco^{ts}. with my Neighbours in the evening.

Sunday the Eleventh; Jn^o. Price, & my Tenants Appleton, Weetman, & Robinson dined with me.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Twelfth; Mess^{rs}. C. Turner, & Chaloner & myself held the Special Sessions at Gisbro' appointing new Surveyors of the Highways in the East Division of Langbaugh; I laid at Ayton.

Tuesday the Thirteenth; I went with Bro^r. Wilson to Stokesley where the Special Sessions was held for the West Division; I laid at Ayton again.

Wednesday the Fourteenth; came home to dinner, & then rode to my workman pileing & planking at Appleton's, smoaked a pipe at Rob^t. Jackson's on my return after six o'Clo my Tenant Tho^s. Dixon supt with me, & went away very sober, having smoaked a Pipe & drank very little as usual.

Thursday the Fifteenth; my Man John called me at five, my ^late^ Tenant Tho^s. Dixon, see yesterday, having been found dead in my Hall Pasture, having as is supposed fallen from his Horse ^ & having laid on his Face it is supposed was suffocated,^ as it appeared the Horse had stumbled near the place ^where^ the poor Man was found (we had a very high Westerly Wind) & he rode on a Pad without Stirrups; the Coroner's Inquest returned accidental Death; Mess^{rs}. Preston & Rudd walked out with me having our Guns; & dined late.

Friday the Sixteenth; spent the day at home, drank Tea & supt at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's.

Saturday the Seventeenth; went to Thom^s. Appleton's & returned to dinner; I then attended the Interment ^at Ormesby^ of my late Tenant Thom^s. Dixon, and in the evening brought about an agreement among the Relations, the deceased having dyed Intestate.

Sunday the Eighteenth; am not very well, M^r. Preston came in the evening & stayed all night.

Monday the Nineteenth; M^r. Preston & I went a shooting before dinner after which he went away, & I to bed not being well.

Tuesday the Twentyeth; dined at Ayton & returned, Doct^r. Irwin sent down by S^r. Geo: Colbroke Bart. about the Allum Trade, met me there; Rob^t. & Geo: Culley laid at my Home.

Wednesday the Twenty First; Mess^{rs}. Culley & I rode by the River side to Coatham, & K.Leatham, Geo: dined with M^r. Turner, but Rob^t. & I dined at my House, & he came to us in the evening.

Thursday the Twenty Second; Mess^{rs}. Culleys left me; -after dinner I went to Boulby & laid there.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Twenty Third; spent at Boulby etc.

Saturday the Twenty Fourth; dined at Boulby, drank Tea at Mr. Smith's; on my return home I found Duke Foggethwaite my Brumpton Tenant.

Sunday the Twenty Fifth; Rev^d. M^r. Consett being taken ill at his dinner I went to see him for an hour; in the evening came to my House M^r. Jn^o. James, & with him his Bro^r. William of Liverpool.

Monday the Twenty Sixth; M^r. W^m. James went a shooting, Mr. Jn^o. James & I coursed: Doct^r. Kirton & Jo^s. Grey of Stockton dined, the latter stayed all night with us.

Tuesday the Twenty Seventh; M^r. Grey went away before dinner; Mess^{rs}. James & I rode out after dinner.

Wednesday the Twenty eighth; Mess^{rs}. James & I breakfasted at Ayton, then they went away, but I stay'd dinner Miss Blackburn being there.

Thursday the Twenty Ninth; spent at home.

Friday the Thirtyeth; Rode out before dinner.

Saturday the Thirty first & last Day; spent at home; Ra: Reed, Cap^t. Jackson's Gunner came in the evening.

NOVEMBER 1772

Sunday the First; Ra: Reed & I went to Ayton, he went to Gisbro' after dinner, I came home.

Monday the Second; Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Snowdon (from Durham) came to breakfast, we dined at Boulby, I laid at Grainge as usual.

Tuesday the Third; spent at Boulby, M^r. Harrison ^also was there.^

Wednesday the Fourth; spent at Boulby.

Thursday the Fifth; as yesterday, save an hour at Staiths with Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Snowdon, Rev^d. M^r. Turner supt with me at Grainge.

Friday the Sixth; spent all day at Boulby.

Saturday the Seventh; Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Snowdon came home with me to dinner; they staid all night.

Sunday the Eighth; they went away, I dined & laid at Ayton, M^r. & M^{rs}. Chaloner, & ^2^ Miss Harvey dined at Bro^r. Wilson's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Ninth; dined at the Inn at Gisbro' drank Tea at M^r. Harrison, on my return home I found M^r. Peirse who laid at my House, Rev^d. M^r. Consett supt with us.

Tuesday the Tenth; M^r. Peirse went to M^r. Turner's, I spent the day at home.

Wednesday the Eleventh; dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk, laid all night at Boulby.

Thursday the Twelfth; spent at Boulby.

Friday the Thirteenth; dined at Boulby, drank Tea at Marsk, came home after in Stormy weather.

Saturday the Fourteenth; spent at home.

Sunday the Fifteenth; having got some cold spent all day at home; Rob^t. Harrison brought Alice White of Grainge to stay a few days.

Monday the Sixteenth; I went to Gisbro' Fair, dined at M^r. Harrison's, drank Tea at M^r. Rudd's.

Tuesday the Seventeenth; spent at home.

Wednesday the Eighteenth; spent this day among my workmen, who this day began to stubb up the Hedges etc. at the Front of my House.

Thursday the Nineteenth; spent as yesterday.

Friday the Twentieth; as yesterday.

Saturday the Twenty First; as yesterday, save that I took a ride to the River banks..

Sunday the Twenty Second; I dined at Ayton.

Monday the Twenty Third; spent this day at home finishing my new Stables.

Tuesday the Twenty Fourth; Bro^r. Wilson, his 2 eldest Daughters, his Son Geo: & Miss Blackburn dined with me, M^r. Harrison & Geo: Dodds came in the evening.

Wednesday the Twenty Fifth; M^r. Harrison, Geo: Dodds & I went to Stockton where we met M^r. Baker by appointment, with whom I dined there attending a Meeting of the Com^{rs} of the Turnpike, got to Elemore very late.

Thursday the Twenty Sixth; spent the day at Elemore with the Boulby Accounts, M^r. Pearson of Durham being with us.

Friday the Twenty Seventh; as yesterday.

Saturday the Twenty Eighth; as yesterday.

Sunday the Twenty Ninth; spent at Elemore.

Monday the Thirtieth; left Elemore, passt thro' Durham, & got M^r. James's at West-Auckland before dinner.

DECEMBER 1772

Tuesday the First; spent all the day at M^r. James's.

Wednesday the Second; M^r. James & I spent an hour with Miss Adamson's at B'p

Auckland before dinner, we drank tea at Doct. Coatsworth's.

Thursday the Third; M^r. James & I rode out before dinner, M^{rs}. James Sen^r. etc. supt at M^r. James's.

Friday the Fourth; I left W^l-Auckland called on M^r. Pease, & M^r. Wilkinson at Darlington, dinner at Stockton, & got home before dark.

Saturday the Fifth; I rode to see my Ten't Rob^t. Thomas, he having cut two Leaders on the back of his left hand, & is Feverish: M^{rs}. Wardell laid at my House on her rode from Elemore.

Sunday the Sixth; W^m. Walker (of Marton) & his Wife dined & supt with me; M^{rs}. Wardell left us at 4.

Monday the Seventh; dined at Gisbro' - sat an hour at M^r. Consett's after I came from there.

Tuesday the Eighth; sat an hour with my Tenant Tho^s. Carr who is not well; the rest of the day at home.

Wednesday the Ninth; I met M^r. Peirse & Rev^d. M^r. Moor by appointment to view the Highways in Acklam & Linthorp Townships, we dined at M^{rs}. Hustler's & got to my House by Tea time.

Thursday the Tenth; we went to a Meeting of D^{ty}. Lieutenants at Stokesley; I laid at Ayton.

Friday the Eleventh; Bro^r. & Sis^r. Wilson, & W^m. Richardson & his Wife & I dined at Sis^r. Esther's; I came home.

Saturday the Twelfth; spent the day at home, having 4 Plows, plowing the Swarth before my House.

Sunday the Thirteenth; my Tenants W^m. Robinson, Jn^o. Laverick & H^y. Weetman dined with me, Doct^r. Kirton, Rob^t. Jackson, & W^m. Sunley supt with me.

Monday the Fourteenth; dined at the Rev^d. M^r. Williamson's at Gisbro' -came home to Tea.

Tuesday the Fifteenth; W^m. Sunley went out a coursing & dined with me, I drank Tea & laid at Ayton; M^r. & M^{rs}. & Miss Mauleverers being there.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Sixteenth; Bro^r. Wilson, his Son Geo: & M^r. Mauleverer dined with me, we all return'd to Ayton.

Thursday the Seventeenth; I dined at M^r. Harrison's at Gisbro', we drank Tea at M^r.

Easterby's ^at Skiningrove,^ I left him there & laid at Grainge.

Friday the Eighteenth; I attended the Pay at Boulby & laid there, the Company to dinner were Mess^{rs}. Harrison, Easterby, Sanderson & Wak^d. Simpson.

Saturday the Nineteenth; dined at Boulby, drank Tea at M^r. Smith's at Marsk.

Sunday the Twentyeth; M^r. Smith came to Normanby with me, dined, & returned to his home.

Monday the Twenty First; I was on horseback at seven dined with M^r. Pease at Darlington; called for 5 minutes at M^r. Forsters's at Yarm, laid at Ayton; having rode 40 Miles.

Tuesday the Twenty Second; attended as D^{ty}. Lieut^t. at Stokesley, dined & returned to Ayton.

Wednesday the Twenty Third; dined at home, drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's.

Thursday the Twenty Fourth; I went to Newport & saw a Hogshead of Groceries unpacked, I got home to dinner, Bro^r. & Nep^w. Geo: Wilson dined with me.

Christmas Day, Friday the Twenty Fifth; I walked to Ayton before dinner; drank Tea at M^r. Skottow's with Sisters & Nieces; laid at Ayton.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth; M^r. Skottow's Family drank Tea at Brother Wilson's.

Sunday the Twenty Seventh; M^r. Skottow's Family drank tea at Sist^r. Esther's, I came home in the evening, where I found M^r. Wilkinson of Darlington.

Monday the Twenty Eighth; M^r. Wilkinson spent the day with me at home.

Tuesday the Twenty Ninth; as yesterday.

Wednesday the Thirtyeth; I had not a good night, but M^r. Wilkinson leaving me, I dined and laid all night at Marsk by appointment; but I went Bro^r. Wilson, his Son Geo: & Sister Esther came, they dined before they went away.

Thursday the Thirty First & last day; I rode with M^r. Smith to Upleatham, & returned with him to his House to dinner, I laid there again.

JANUARY 1773

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the First; M^r. Smith came home with me to dinner, & calling at M^r. Hewit's at K. Leatham he did so too, they staid all night.

Saturday the Second; Mess^{rs}. Smith & Hewit rode towards the River side with me before, they staid all night again - my ^late^ Tenant Thos. Carr dyed last night.

Sunday the Third; Mess^{rs}. Smith & Hewit left me before dinner, I ^sat^ an hour at M^r. Consett's in the evening.

Monday the Fourth; spent the day at home, my Tenant Jno. Wharton & his Neighb^r. Tho^s. Yeoman, laid all night.

Tuesday the Fifth; they went away: Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Family & M^{rs}. Mewburn dined & supt wth. me, M^r. Thos. Watson also dined, & he stay'd all night.

Wednesday the Sixth; he went away, & I spent most of the day wth. my Men, casting a New Hedg at high end of the Tofts

Thursday the Seventh; I attended a Meeting of the D^{ty}. Lieut^s. at Stokesley where the Militia for this Wapentake were enrol'd for 3 years, I lay'd at Ayton.

Friday the Eighth; came home in the evening when I found Tho^s. Burdon, Rob^t. Jackson, & W^m. Robinson who have this appraised the Stock of my late Tenant Thomas Carr dece'd; they supt with me.

Saturday the Ninth; I courses with Rob^t. Jackson on Barnaby Moor, he dined & spent the afternoon with me.

Sunday the Tenth; Jos[~]. Cornforth & Tho^s. Dixon dined with me, I went to Eston Chapel, sat two hours with Rob^t. Jackson after, & then an hour at M^r. Consett's.

Monday the Eleventh; dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Twelfth; I went by Upsil Mill to Ayton before dinner where I met M^r. Mauleverer on Militia business, came home in the evening.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; Rob^t. Jackson, W^m. Sunley & myself met M^r. Smith at Rob^t. Harrison's at Felbrigs, we coursed before dinner, & came home in the evening.

Thursday the Fourteenth; dined & spent the even'g at M^r. Consett's, M^r. James & M^r. Adamson came to us.

Friday the Fifteenth; Mess^{rs}. James, Adamson & myself rode out before dinner.

Saturday the Sixteenth; Mess^{rs} James and Adamson rode with me to M^r. Smith's returned to dinner, M^r. Consett & his Son dined & spent the evening with us.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Seventeenth; M^r. James & Adamson & myself dined at M^r. Raisbeck's at Stockton where we were met by M^r. W^m. Hutchinson, who came to my House with us before Supper.

Monday the Eighteenth; M^r. Adamson & I rode to Gisbro' stayed an hour on Justice business with M^r. Chaloner, returned home to dinner, found M^r. Raisbeck who also stay'd all night with us.

Tuesday the Nineteenth; Mess^{rs}. James, Adamson, Hutchinson & Raisbeck left me after breakfast, Rev^d. M^r. Consett spent the evening with me.

Wednesday the Twentieth; spent most of the day among my Workmen levelling before my House.

Thursday the Twenty First; as yesterday, Geo: Dodds, Agent of Boulby All. Works came in the evening.

Friday the Twenty Second; I am not very well, Geo: Dodds rode with me to the River side ^after dinner^, he laid all night.

Saturday the Twenty Third; Geo: Dodds went away, I kept my Room all day, M^r. Consett sat an hour with me.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; at home.

Monday the Twenty Fifth; went to Ayton in the morning, lay'd there all night.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; at Ayton again.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; rode to Stokesley, & on my rode bought my Sist^r. Esther a Cow of Capt. Wayne, dined at home with Rev^d. M^r. Grant, & Rev^d. M^r. & M^{rs}. Williamson & M^{rs}. Harrison, who are come to stay a few days with me.

Thursday the Twenty eight; Rev^d. M^r. Consett dined and spent the evening with us.

Friday the Twenty Ninth; M^r. Grant went away before dinner, the rest of us drank Tea at M^r. Consett's he & his Daughter Ann supt wth. us; M^r. Harrison came at seven.

Saturday the Thirtieth; all my Company left me; I spent the afternoon among my workmen.

Sunday the Thirty First & last Day; went to Ayton before dinner, stay'd all night.

FEBRUARY 1773

Monday the First; went from Ayton to Gisbro', dined there at Rev^d. M^r. Williamson's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Second; dined & spent the evening at M^r. Consett's, wth. Rev^d. M^r. Nelson, & Mess^{rs}. Hewit & Atkinson.

Wednesday the Third; Received my Normanby & Upsil Rents, the Tenants dined with me.

Thursday the Fourth; Rob^t. Jackson dined with me, I spent the day among my Men levelling before ^my^ House.

Friday the Fifth; went to Grainge, M^{rs}. Wardell dined with me there, home in the evening; Geo: Dodds was ^at^ Whitby.

Saturday the Sixth; dined at Ayton, spent two hours at Stokesley, laid at Ayton.

Sunday the Seventh; came home after dinner.

Monday the Eighth; dined at Gisbro'; Mess^{rs}. Harrison & Dodds came home with me, we settled a Petition to the Comissioners of the Customs, praying that M^r. Baker & me might be allowed to continue our usual method of delivering Ship loads of Coals at Boulby Allum Works.

Tuesday the Ninth; M^r. Harrison left Dodds with me.

Wednesday the Tenth; Geo: Dodds went away in stormy weather, wth. much Snow before dinner, I drank Tea with Rev^d. M^r. Consett.

Thursday the Eleventh; much Snow, Rev^d. M^r. Nelson, & Mess^{rs}. Hewit, Atkinson & Brown dined & lay'd all night, M^r. Consett dined & supt with us.

Friday the Twelfth; my Company left me early.

Saturday the Thirteenth; went to Ayton after dinner, where I found M^r. Skottowe & family etc., there being a slight of hand Man there.

Sunday the Fourteenth; spent at Ayton.

Monday the Fifteenth; came home after dinner; & having sent my Man Geo: to Gisbro' he brought M^{rs}. Lincoln to my House to stay a few days; M^r. Preston came in the evening, & stayed all night.

Tuesday the Sixteenth; spent at home with ^M^r. Preston.^

Wednesday the Seventeenth; M^r. Preston & I rode to Appleton's before dinner, he went away soon after.

Thursday the Eighteenth; I coursed upon Barnaby Moor with Rob^t. Jackson & W^m.

Sunley, they spent the evening with me so did Rev^d. M^r. Consett.

Friday the Nineteenth; I am not very well, Geo: Dodds came in the evening on his Road to Elemore.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Twentieth; Geo: Dodds went away , & I am better in the evenⁿg having spent all day at home.

Sunday the Twenty First; Geo: carried M^{rs}. Lincoln to Gisbro' after dinner (see Monday 15th inst.) I went to Ayton in the evening & laid all night.

Monday the Twenty Second; dined at Gisbro' .

Tuesday the Twenty Third; I took John with me to Upsil where I looked over W^m.

Alderson's Farm, & gave him leave to plow about 3 acres of Swarth in a field near Tib Suitors [?], sat an hour at M^r. Consett's.

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. Rudd dined with me & went away; Sist^r. Esther, M^r. & M^{rs}. Skottowe & Rev^d. Hastwell dined & laid all night.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth; Mess^{rs}. Skottow & Hastwell rode with me to the side of the River; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Family dined & supt with me.

Friday the Twenty Sixth; after dinner my Sist^r. M^r. & M^{rs}. Skottow, & M^r. Hastwell went away.

Saturday the Twenty Seventh; Mess^{rs}. Rudd & Harrison dined & drank Tea with me.

Sunday the Twenty eighth & last Day. dined at Ayton, on my return I found Mess^{rs}. Dunn & James come to stay a few days with me.

MARCH 1773

Monday the First. Mess^{rs}. Dunn & James went with me to Gisbro' on some Justice business, returned to dinner, rainy weather.

Tuesday the Second; we spent the day at home, being a very cold day.

Wednesday the Third; Mess^{rs}. Dunn & James coursed with me in Wilton Grounds, Rev^d.

Mess^{rs}. Lascelles & Robson & M^r. Smith dined & laid all night with us; Rev^d. M^r.

Nelson joined us in the evening

Thursday the Fourth; Mess^{rs}. Nelson & Smith went away, & Mess^{rs}. Lascelles, Robson, Dun & James & myself met M^r. Chaloner & his Hounds on Barnaby Moor by appointment; M^r. James took a Fit on Eston Nab; Mess^{rs}. Chaloner, Williamson, & Harrison dined with us.

Friday the Fifth; Mess^{rs}. Dunn, James, Lascelles, & Robson left me after breakfast.

Saturday the Sixth; spent this day at home, save siting an hour or two at M^r. Consett's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Seventh; I left home (on a Journey to London) about eleven, dined & laid at Ayton.

Monday the Eighth; Bro^r. Wilson & I called at M^r. Preston's for a little while; & then went to M^r. Mauleverer's, I stayed there a quarter of an hour, & leaving M^r. Wilson there took my Servant Geo: Kirtley into the Chaise; dined at M^r. Dent's at Thirsk, called at Coxwold to see my Nephew Geo: Wilson (at M^r. Peirson's School there) changed Chaise at Easingwold, from there M^r. Matthews went with me to York; I laid there.

Tuesday the Ninth; I attended Judg' Gould in the Tryal of Jos: Beeley who I committed for Burglary last August; the youth was acquitted, it appearing that, on his being first apprehended ^by the Man whose House he had robed)^ he was induced to confess the Crime, on a promise ^of^ pardon; I dined at Tadcaster, & laid at Doncaster.

Wednesday the Tenth; breakfasted at Barnby Moor, dined at Grantham, laid at Stilton.

Thursday the Eleventh; breakfasted at Biggleswade, dined & laid at my Bro^r. Jackson's in old Palace yard.

Friday the Twelfth; Bro^r. ^in Law)^ Jeff^{ty}. Jackson came to my Brother's and I returned to Woodfordbridg' with him & my two unmarried Niece Jacksons (viz. Mary & Eliza.) in the evening; M^{rs}. Kellet & her Daughter is on a visit there.

Saturday the Thirteenth; spent the day at Woodfordbridg; M^r. Rob^t. Wilson dined there.

Sunday the Fourteenth; having a cold I kept House; M^r. & M^{rs}. Rob^t. Wilson dined with us.

Monday the Fifteenth; Niece Jackson & I went to London, I stayed there all night.

Tuesday the Sixteenth; I walked into the City, dined at M^r. Rob^t. Wilson's with Bro^r. & Sist^r. Jeff^{ty}. two Niece Jacksons, ^&^ M^{rs}. Kellet, we all laid at my Bro^r's.

Wednesday the Seventeenth; M^r. Bro^r. Jackson went with me to the Custom House; I spent an hour in Lincoln's Inn Hall, where I heard Lord Chancellor Apsley decree against M^r. Baker & us in the Lampton Cause, dined at M^r. Rich^d. Spencer's with my Brother Jackson & Friends, see yesterday, M^r. & M^{rs}. Askew of Newcastle are with him ^on^ a visit.

Thursday the Eighteenth; I went with Sis^r. Dolly to see Aunt Edwards; spent two hours in the House of Commons; & went to the Play with the Family in the evening.

Friday the Nineteenth; spent the forenoon at my Brothers with M^r. Core; rode to Woodford-bridg' after dinner; M^{rs}. Ward went there today.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Twentyeth; spent the day at Woodfordbr.; M^r. Hen^y. Jackson & his Wife came.

Sunday the Twenty First; Went to London in a Chaise for Miss Lewin, she dined with me at my Brother Jackson's, we drank Tea at Woodf^d.br.' M^{rs}. & Miss Juson, & Misses Churchman & Lany drank Tea.

Monday the Twenty Second; went to London with my Niece Jackson's.

Tuesday the Twenty Third; called on M^r. Cookson's at his lodgings in the Adelphi, on M^r. Duck at his Chambers in Grey's Inn; dined and laid at my Brother's.

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; spent some hours in the Houses of Lords & Commons, M^r. Bryer dined at my Brother's, we went to an Opera.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth; spent the day finishing my Comission's in London.

Friday the Twenty Sixth; went down to Woodfordbridg' in the evening with my two Niece Jacksons.

Saturday the Twenty Seventh; rode out in the morning with M^{rs}. Ward, Miss Lewin etc. in the Coatch; my Brother Jackson walked down in the evening.

Sunday the Twenty Eighth; I went to Church in the morning; got cold.

Monday the Twenty Ninth; went to London in my Bro^r's Coatch with M^{rs}. Ward, Miss Lewin & Niece Jacksons, after dining at Old Palace yard the two former went home to Beckingham.

Tuesday the Thirtyeth; Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Core breakfasted at my Brother's; I took leave of M^r. Spencer etc.; went in the evening with Niece Jacksons who paid many visits.

Wednesday the Thirty First & last Day. I made affidavit before a Master in Chancery at his Chambers in Symond's Inn, Chancery Lane, of a Debt due from Mess^{rs}. Hawkins & Berne to Mess^{rs}. Baker & myself: my Aunt Edwards dined with me only at old Palace yard; I set her to her Lodgings, took leave of London, & went down to Woodfordbridg'.

APRIL 1773

Thursday the First; spent at Woodfordbridg' - not well.

Friday the Second; spent the day as yesterday, Niece Jackson came from London..

Saturday the Third; am somewhat better.

Sunday the Fourth; being better Capt. Jackson & I rode out in the morning; Bro^r. Jackson, M^r. & M^{rs}. Rob^t. Wilson, & Rev^d. M^r. Johnson dined & left us.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Fifth; took leave of my Friends at Woodfordbridg', dined at Bishop Stortford, laid at Chesterford; very much out of order.

Tuesday the Sixth; breakfasted at New Market ^16 miles^ changed Chaise at Barton Mills (9 Miles) the same at Thetford (11 Miles) dined at Attleborough (15 Miles) and drank Tea at Spixworth (20 Miles viz. 15 to Norwich & 5 from thence) found my Niece very much out of order.

Wednesday the Seventh; my Nep^w. Longe took me in his Chaise to Norwich, shewed me that City, & return'd to dinner; am somewhat better.

Thursday the Eighth; spent all day at Spixworth; my Niece Longe is somewhat better, the Doctor attended her today & says the Jaundice, Scurvy & Rheumatism are complicated in her.

Good Friday the Ninth; M^r Longe very politely lent me his four Horses & Chaise to Attleborough,

I dined at Barton Mills & drank Tea at Newmarket, & after spending 2 hours in looking into some of the Stables there, & seeing many 100 Race horses on the Heath there, (computed to be about 700 in all) I drank Tea again at Cambridg', & laid at Cambridg', 84 Miles this day.

Saturday the Tenth; breakfasted at Shilton, dined at Newark, laid at Doncaster 99 Miles.

Easter Sunday the Eleventh; breakfasted at Ferrybridg', dined at Borroughbridge, & after sitting an hour with old Cousin Pybuss at Thirsk got to Ayton between 7 & 8; having travelled 76 Miles this day.

Note- from Ayton to Spixworth is 260 Miles going by Cambridg', which road may always be travelled, but by turning off at Stamford to Peterborough, thence to Wisbech etc. the distance is shortened 16 Miles, but this road is said to be very unpleasant being almost ^on^ a level; and the Fens & Roads are sometime, as well in wet Summers, as every Winter, so overflowed that it is often unsafe.

Easter Monday the Twelfth; I dined at home, see Sunday 11th alto. W^m. Robinson supt with me.

Easter Tuesday the Thirteenth; spent at home.

Wednesday the Fourteenth; rode to the River side before dinner; had some ploughs at work before the House.

Thursday the Fifteenth; Mess^{rs}. Duck (of London) & Smith, Rudd, & Harrison dined with me, I sat an hour in the evening at M^r. Consett's.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Sixteenth; dined at Ayton, & return'd.

Saturday the Seventeenth; spent the day about home.

Sunday the Eighteenth; I went ^to^ Eston Chapel before dinner; Geo: Dodds of Boulby dined & laid all night.

Monday the Nineteenth; Geo: Dodds went with me to Gisbro', after dinner I went to Ayton with M^r. Preston, & drinking Tea at Sister Esther's, my Bro^r. & Sist^r. Jeff^{ty}.

Jackson arrived in their own Chariot from London.

Tuesday the Twentyeth; I spent the day at Ayton with my Friends there, M^r. Sober Hall dined with us at my Sister Esther's & left us.

Wednesday the Twenty First; Cap^{ts}. Wilson & Jackson dined & drank Tea with me at Normanby.

Thursday the Twenty Second; Rev^d. M^r. Consett, & Mess^{rs}. Mewburn, Jackson & Sunley dined & sat the evening with me, Cap^t. Tho^s. Wilson till ten at night.

Friday the Twenty Third; dined at Ayton (at Sister Est^{rs}) with my Friends, returned at night.

Saturday the Twenty Fourth; - rode upon the Hills in the morning, and to the River side after dinner.

Sunday the Twenty Fifth; dined & drank Tea at Bro^r. Wilson's at Ayton, returned in the evening.

Monday the Twenty Sixth; I am much fatigued by my attendance on the Labourers in the Highway.

Tuesday the Twenty Seventh; rode out in the morning; drank Tea at M^r. Consetts in the afternoon.

Wednesday the Twenty Eighth; rode out before dinner, M^r. James came as I alighted.

Thursday the Twenty Ninth; M^r. James & I dined at Ayton; M^r. Baker & his Steward (Snowdon) came to my House before we returned.

Friday the Thirtyeth & last Day; M^r. James went away; M^r. Baker, his Steward & I dined at Boulby; I laid at Grainge.

MAY 1773

Saturday; May the First; I breakfasted & dined at Boulby, returned to Grainge in the evening.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Second; I breakfasted at Boulby. M^r. Baker & Mess^{rs}. Snowdon & Dodds & myself dined at Normanby the former & I lookt ^through^ K.Leatham House on our way.

Monday the Third; Mr. Baker & his Steward went home; Geo: Dodds went with me to Gisbro'; where I attended Mess^{rs}. Chaloner & Smith, signing the Land Tax, Window & Poor Warrants; I came home in the evening.

Tuesday the Fourth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson ; their 3 Daughters, Sist^r. Esther; & Cap^t. Jackson & his Wife, came to dinner, the two former went away; ^all^ the latter stay some days.

Wednesday the Fifth; Cap^t. Jackson & I went to Brotton before dinner; on our return found Cousⁿ. James & her Daughter Sally come to stay a few days, also Mr. Sob^r. Hall.

Thursday the Sixth; we Men rode upon Eston-Nab before dinner, Rev^d. M^r. Johnson dined with us, & then we all drank Tea at Tho^s. Appleton's, most of us walked, M^r. Johnson went home to Stockton.

Friday the Seventh; we Men spent the forenoon at Kirk-Leatham, Rev^d. Mr. Nelson returned with us to dinner; M^r. Consett & Family drank Tea with us.

Saturday the Eighth; walked out after breakfast, S^r. W^m. & Lady Foulis, & Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson drank Tea with us.

Sunday the Ninth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson ^& Doct^r. Kirton^ dined with us; M^r. Hall went away; the rest of us drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's; a very stormy evening.

Monday the Tenth; stormy all day, two eldest Niece Wilsons & Miss James went to Ayton.

Tuesday the Eleventh; Sist^r. & Niece Esther, Cap^t. & Sist^r. Jeff^{ty} & Cousⁿ. James left me; I laid with them at Ayton.

Wednesday the Twelfth; I rec'd. ^ (at M^r. Preston's Office at Stokesley) ^ 735£ of M^r. Geo: Newson in part for my Brumpton Estate: dined & drank Tea at Ayton, came home in the evening.

Thursday the Thirteenth; I dined at the Inn at Gisbro' with Doct^r. Bissett & M^r. Preston, the former lent me 1,200£ - came home to Tea.

Friday the Fourteenth; drank Tea at Ayton & ret'd.

Saturday the Fifteenth; Cap^t. Jackson & M^r. Rudd dined & drank tea with me, M^r.

Wilson the latter, we took the Levels of the Ground before my H^o. they went away.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Sixteenth; dined & drank Tea at Ayton, went to Church there in the afternoon & return'd.

Monday the Seventeenth; dined at Rev^d. M^r. Williamson's at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Eighteenth; heavy rain all day.

Wednesday the Nineteenth; I spent this day in the House, being cold weather with some Rain.

Thursday the Twentieth; a very stormy, and Rainy day, I sat two hours at Rob^t. Jackson's in the afternoon.

Friday the Twenty First; a very rainy day, having got cold yesterday I spent the day in the House.

Saturday the Twenty Second; spent at home.

Sunday the Twenty Third; dined & laid at Ayton, spent an hour wth. M^r. Preston at Stokesley after dinner.

Monday the Twenty Fourth; came home before dinner, attended my Workmen levelling the Ground before my House - till the evening.

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth; spent at home.

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; M^r. Marwood, Cap^{ts}. Wilson & Jackson, with Nep^w. Geo: & Bob Sanderson dined & drank Tea with me, a very rainy day.

Thursday the Twenty Seventh; I dined at Boulby where the Cust^s. Ho^{se}. Officers measured the Coal Bays, on my rode home in the evening I spent an hour at M^r. Smith's at Marsk wth. Mess^{rs}. Lascelles & Easterby.

Friday the Twenty Eighth; Mess^{rs}. James & Sob^r. Hall, & Capt. Jackson, dined & laid all night with me.

Saturday the Twenty Ninth; we all went to Ayton before dinner, laid there all night.

Sunday the Thirtieth; went to Stokesley Church before dinner; S^r. W^m. & Lady Foulis drank Tea at Bro^r. Wilson's; Mess^{rs}. James, Hall & Ra: Reed came home wth. me to supper.

Monday the Thirty First & last Day; Mess^{rs}. James, Hall, and Ra: Reed went away; I dined at M^r. Chaloner's with the Ayton Familys by appointment.

JUNE 1773

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the First; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Jeff^{ry}. Sist^r. & Niece Esther & Cousⁿ. Matty Reed came before dinner to stay a few days; the Capt. & I dined at Coatham.

Wednesday the Second; Bror. & Sistr. Wilson, their twin Daughters, M^{rs}. Blackburn & her Son Fran^s. dined with us, the latter staid all night.

Thursday the Third; all my Friends left me.

Friday the Fourth; I met Capt. Jackson at Gisbro' & with him went to dine at M^r. Hall's at Skelton, with Turner's & Hales's Family; went to Ayton in the evening.

Saturday the Fifth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & M^r. A:Deacon Blackburn & his Wife dined & drank Tea with me, Mess^{rs}. W^m. Turner & Nelson drank Tea; they all left me.

Sunday the Sixth; I spent the day at Ayton rec'd. the Sacrament from the A:Deacon at Ayton Church.

Monday the Seventh; Cap^t. Jackson & I dined at the Inn at Gisbro'; he went to Ayton, & I came home.

Tuesday the Eighth; spent the day among my workmen levelling the Ground before my House.

Wednesday the Ninth; Capt^s. Wilson & Jackson, Nep^w. Geo: & Bob. Sanderson & M^r. Rudd dined with me, we rode to Tho^s. Appleton's in the afternoon; they went away after.

Thursday the Tenth; I spent the day among my Workmen, & went to Ayton in the evening.

Friday the Eleventh; spent the day at Ayton.

Saturday the Twelfth; Capt. & my Sist^r. Do^y. Jackson left Ayton after breakfast, having stay'd with us since 19th. April; I came home to dinner.

Sunday the Thirteenth; I went to Eston Chappel after dinner, my Tenants Jn^o. Laverick and W^m. Robinson dined with me, the latter wth. Rob^t. Jackson, W^m. Sunley & Jn^o.

Snowdon ^supt.^

Monday the Fourteenth; attended my Workmen.

Tuesday the Fifteenth; attended (as Surveyor of the Highways) the Paviers, laying a broad-Carriage-Causeway, drank Tea at M^r. Consett's, & walked with his Daughters to M^r. Mewburn's in the evening.

Wednesday the Sixteenth; spent the day among my workmen before my House; & in the Highways.

Thursday the Seventeenth; as yesterday.

Friday the Eighteenth; as yesterday.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Nineteenth; Bro^r. Wilson, his Son Geo: & Bob: Sanderson got a late dinner with me.

Sunday the Twentyeth; rode out before dinner; my Tenants Nusum, Dixon & Appleton, & M^r. Bristol Pease & his Wife dined with me & went to chapel after dinner, sat an hour aft^r. at W^m. Sunley's.

Monday the Twenty First; spent the day on the Highways; Gilb^t. Snowdon & M^r. Baker's Husbandman came with some Money for Boulby Pay & laid all night.

Tuesday the Twenty Second; I dined at M^r. Consett's with M^r. Leon^d. Robinson & his Wife of Stockton.

Wednesday the Twenty Third; spent the day in the Lane; M^r. Consett supt with me.

Thursday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. Chaloner called on me half an hour, Bro^r. Wilson & Nep^w. Geo: Wilson dined & drank Tea with me.

Friday the Twenty Fifth; breakfasted at M^r. Smith's, who went with me to Boulby ^half year's^ Pay, after dining there with Mess^{rs}. Sanderson etc. we return'd to Marsk where I drank Tea, & came home by nine.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth; I attended some workmen in the Lane covering the broad Causeway we paved this year upwards of 40 roods.

Sunday the Twenty Seventh; my Tenants Rob^t. Thomas & H^y. Weetman dined with me, a very stormy day, I sat an hour at M^r. Consett's after Tea.

Monday the Twenty Eighth; dined at Gisbro', & laid at Bro^r. Wilson's; my Sist^r. Esther & 3 Nieces being gone bath at Staiths.

Tuesday the Twenty Ninth; dined at home with M^r. Smith we rode to the River after, he laid at my House.

Wednesday the Thirtyeth & last Day; I dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk & proceeded to Staiths, see last Monday, I laid at Boulby.

JULY 1773

Thursday the First; spent the day at Boulby, save drinking Tea at Staiths.

Friday the Second; dined at Saltburn with Mess^{rs}. Easterby (of whom I called) Smith, Harrison &^c. in all 12 - got home before ten.

Saturday the Third; attended my workmen.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Fourth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, Cousⁿ. Martha Reed, & Miss M^cDonald dined & drank Tea with me.

Monday the Fifth; attended my workmen.

Tuesday the Sixth; as yesterday.

Wednesday the Seventh; as yesterday.

Thursday the Eighth; Revd. M^r. Consett, his two eldest Daught^s. & M^{rs}. & Miss Wright drank Tea with me.

Friday the Ninth; spent the day at home, M^r. Consett spent the evening with me.

Saturday the Tenth; rode out before dinner.

Sunday the Eleventh; dined & drank Tea at Ayton, & went to that Church, then came home.

Monday the Twelfth; Bro^r. Wilson & M^r. Sober Hall drank Tea with me; spent the day about home.

Tuesday the Thirteenth; I attended the Quarter Sessions at Gisbro' & came home in the evening the Justices were, Mess^{rs}. Cha^s. Turner, Dundas, Chaloner, Marwood, Peirse, Boulby, Wilson & myself (8.)

Wednesday the Fourteenth; spent at home.

Thursday the Fifteenth; I bathed in the River at Thom^s. Appleton's, attended my work Men (the rest of the day) levelling the ground before my House.

Friday the Sixteenth; dined at M^r. Marwood's at Busby, called at M^r. Wilson's as I went & return'd.

Saturday the Seventeenth; intending to bath at Thom^s. Appleton's but did not, I dined there.

Sunday the Eighteenth; went to Ayton & return'd.

Monday the Nineteenth; M^r. Sober Hall came.

Tuesday the Twentieth; M^r. Hall & I dined at W^m. Child's on Milk &^c. & laid at Staiths where we found Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & their twin Daughters, bathing.

Wednesday the Twenty First; spent the day at Staiths.

Thursday the Twenty Second; we all went with M^{rs}. Sanderson, her two Daughters & Son John to Runswick in two Cobles & drank Tea, ret^d. as we went.

Friday the Twenty Third; M^r. Hall & I left Staiths, dined at Boulby, & spent two hours at Saltburn with Mess^{rs}. Smith, Esterby etc. came home in the evening.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Twenty Fourth; M^r. Hall went home (to Darlington) I spent the day with my Workmen,

Sunday the Twenty Fifth; spent the day at Ayton, returned in the evening.

Monday the Twenty Sixth; dined at home spent two hours at M^r. Chaloner's at Gisbro'. & ret^d.

Tuesday the Twenty Seventh; I went to Staiths in the evening, see 20th inst.

Wednesday the Twenty Eighth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, Nieces & Miss Sandersons drank Tea at Boulby.

Thursday the Twenty Ninth; Bro^r. Wilson & I went up to Staiths beck a fishing wth. Anth^y. Jefferson before dinner.

Friday the Thirtyeth; called on M^r. Smith who dined with me at home, so did Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles & laid all night.

Saturday the Thirty First & last Day. I rode to Marton wth. Mess^{rs}. Lascelles & Smith, they went away, M^r. James came to dinner.

AUGUST 1773

Sunday the First; M^r. James & I dined at Ayton, returned in the evening.

Monday the Second; M^r. James & I rec'd my Bro^r. Jackson's & my Rents at Yarm Fair; & returned by my Farm Tenanted by Rob^t. Appleby.

Tuesday the Third; we rec'd Normanby Rents at home.

Wednesday the Fourth; M^r. James & I dined at M^r. Smith's with Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles etc. on our return found M^r. Preston at my House who laid all night.

Thursday the Fifth; M^r. Preston went away after dinner, having assisted me to draw over my ^Upsal^ Account with M^r. Peirson; M^r. Smith came & laid all night.

Friday the Sixth; Mess^{rs}. James, Smith & I breakfasted at Yarm; view'd my Bro^r. Jackson's Estate at Ayslabby, dined there (at Rich^d. Reah's) then viewed his Estate at Stoddow, & laid at Darlington.

Saturday the Seventh; M^r. Smith & I got to Normanby to a late dinner, ^he went home^ having viewed my Pate Hall Farm.

Sunday the Eighth; went to Ayton & return'd.

Monday the Ninth; I dined at M^r. Rudd's & drank Tea at M^r. Lincoln's (both of Gisbro').

Tuesday the Tenth; went to the Ladies-Club at Coatham, return'd in the evening.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Eleventh; not very well; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, their 3 Daughters & Son W^m, Miss Sandersons, Sist^r. Est^r. & M^r. Hall dined & drank tea; M^r. Hall stay'd all night.

Thursday the Twelfth; M^r. Hall went away.

Friday the Thirteenth; spent all day among my Men levelling before my House, not very well.

Saturday the Fourteenth; at home all day.

Sunday the Fifteenth; dined & drank ^Tea^ at Ayton.

Monday the Sixteenth; spent at home.

Tuesday the Seventeenth; cold weather; at home.

Wednesday the Eighteenth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson breakfasted & dined with me; Mr. Sob^r. Hall dined & stay'd all night.

Thursday the Nineteenth; M^r. Hall & I spent the day at home among my Men.

Friday the Twentieth; M^r. Hall went away, I rode out after dinner.

Saturday the Twenty First; M^r. Fran^s. Reed & his two Friends Hill & Blagdon drank Tea & laid all night.

Sunday the Twenty Second; rode over Barnaby Moor with the above Gentlemen on their rode to Coatham (by Gisbro') I dined and laid at Ayton.

Monday the Twenty Third; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, and their Twin Daughters (Hannah & Rachel) set out for London to stay a few months; I dined at home with Mess^{rs}. Reed, Hill & Blagdon; & laid at Coatham wth. the former.

Tuesday the Twenty Fourth; came home to dinner.

Wednesday the Twenty Fifth; Doctor Trotter & M^r. Reed dined with; I went wth. them to Coatham after.

Thursday the Twenty Sixth; Doct^r. Trotter, M^r. Reed & myself rode through Upleatham, & Marsk, at Coatham, & laid all night at my House.

Friday the Twenty Seventh; Doct^r. Trotter went home (to Darlington) M^r Reed spent the day & night with me.

Saturday the Twenty Eighth; I bated at Coatham with M^r. Reed, after dinner I came home.

Sunday the Twenty Ninth; I went to Ayton Church twice, ^Rev^d.^ M^r. Hastwell drank Tea at my Sist^{rs}; I came home.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Thirtyeth; I breakfasted with Rev^d. M^r. Nelson, & I bathed with him at Coatham; he, his Nep^w. Nelson, & Mess^{rs}. Reed & Hardcastle dined with me at Normanby, Rev^d. M^r. Nelson stay'd all night.

Tuesday the Thirty First & last Day; I bathed with M^r. Nelson at Coatham, dined at home, and drank Tea at M^r. Consett's, he supt and spent the evening with me.

SEPTEMBER 1773

Wednesday the First; I bathed and dined at Coatham, laid at home.

Thursday the Second; I bathed at Coatham, & dined at Rev^d. M^r. Nelson's with Mess^{rs}. Reed, Hardcastle, Smith & Hird, came home in the evening.

Friday the Third; I bathed at Coatham, M^r. Reed returned with me to Coatham & laid all night.

Saturday the Fourth; M^r. Reed went to his own home at Hurworth; I walked out with my Gun before dinner; then went to Ayton & found M^{rs}. Kirby at my Sist^{rs}.

Sunday the Fifth; went to Ayton Church after dinner, came home in the evening.

Monday the Sixth; Mess^{rs}. C. Turner, Chaloner & myself granted Licenses to Ale Houses at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Seventh; at the request of the Justices of the West Division of the Wapentake of Langbaugh, I joined them at Gisbro'. to grant Licenses; Mess^{rs}. Lascelles & Smith laid with me (at Normanby).

Wednesday the Eighth; M^r. Smith dined with me, so did Sister Esther Niece Est^r., Miftress Kirby & Rev^d. M^r. Hastwell, they all went away, save the latter (allnight).

Thursday the Ninth; M^r. Hastwell went away, I dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk, called at Grainge, and laid all night at Boulby.

Friday the Tenth; spent the day at Boulby; except an hour at Staiths.

Saturday the Eleventh; after dining at Boulby, & drinking Tea at M^r. Smith's I came home; in my rode had a prodigious high wind, w^{ch}. shook the corn much.

Sunday the Twelfth; went to Eston Chapel in the afternoon *in the afternoon*, & drank Tea at M^r. Consett's.

Monday the Thirteenth; dined at Gisbro' and laid at Ayton.

Tuesday the Fourteenth; I dined at home; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Family drank Tea & supt with me.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Fifteenth; spent at home.

Thursday the Sixteenth; Mess^{rs}. Smith, Rudd, Harrison & his friend Whitehead came in the morning, we shott in the fields till dinner, they stayd all night.

Friday the Seventeenth; the above Gentlemen, went away before breakfast; I dined & drank Tea wth. my Sister.

Saturday the Eighteenth; walked a shooting before dinner.

Sunday the Nineteenth; went to Eston Chapel after dinner; Neighbours Jackson, Sunley, & Snowdon supt with me.

Monday the Twentyeth; rode out before dinner.

Tuesday the Twenty First; dined at my Sister's came home.

Wednesday the Twenty Second; a very rainy day; I called at Cousⁿ. Forster's at Yarm, dined & laid all night at M^r. Fra^s. Reed's at Hurworth.

Thursday the Twenty Third; M^r. Reed & I dined & drank Tea at Doct^r. Trotter's, return'd to Hurworth;

Friday the Twenty Fourth; Mess^{rs}. Ward, Reed, & self dined at Rev^d. M^r. Addison's at Hurworth;

Saturday the Twenty Fifth; M^r. Reed & I dined at his Bro^r. Ward's (at Dinsdale) & returned.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth; M^r. Reed & myself with many others dined at M^r. Peases; I laid all night.

Monday the Twenty Seventh; I dined at an Inn at Ferry-hill; called on M^r. Pearson at Durham, who went with me to Elemore Hall at night.

Tuesday the Twenty Eighth; spent the day at Elemore with M^r. Baker, on business.

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth; I dined at Sedgfield, and got home in the evening.

Thursday the Thirtyeth & last Day; walked out with my Gun after dinner.

OCTOBER 1773

Friday the First; spent at home.

Saturday the Second; walked out with my Gun below Lackenby & Wilton.

Sunday the Third; dined & laid at Ayton, M^r. Skottowe & Family & Rev^d. Hastwell drank Tea at my Sisters.

Monday the Fourth; came home after dinner.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Fifth; walked a shooting before dinner.

Wednesday the Sixth; went to Boulby after dinner.

Thursday the Seventh; walked with Geo: Dodds before dinner into the Allum Works; spent an hour at Staiths after.

Friday the Eighth; a rainy day, but nevertheless, I spent an hour at Grainge after dinner.

Saturday the Ninth; came home to dinner.

Sunday the Tenth; very stormy day, M^r. Brist^l. Pease breakfasted, W^m. Robinson & Jn^o. Laverick din'd with me.

Monday the Eleventh; I attended my brethren, Cha^s. Turner, Dundas, & Chaloner Justices putting in force a new Act of Parliament relating to Highways; I laid at Ayton.

Tuesday the Twelfth; came home in the evening.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; Rob^t. Appleby my Pate Hall Tenant dined with me, I let him his Farm.

Thursday the Fourteenth; walked with my Gun before dinner with my Serv^t. Jn^o. Peirson as usual, drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's after dinner.

Friday the Fifteenth; dined at Ayton drank Tea at home with my Partner M^r. Baker, his Son, and M^r. Pearson, who laid all night.

Saturday the Sixteenth; Mess^{rs}. Baker, Pearson & myself dined & laid all night at Boulby.

Sunday the Seventeenth; spent all day at Boulby, save a ride to Staiths after dinner.

Monday the Eighteenth; spent at Boulby.

Tuesday the Nineteenth; settled & allowed Geo: Dodds's Accounts at Boulby, & got to my Ho^{se}. at night.

Wednesday the Twentieth; M^r. Baker & M^r. Pearson went away, Mr. Geo: Baker (Jun^r.) & I shot in the Neighbourhood of Wilton, he laid all night.

Thursday the Twenty First; M^r. Baker went away & M^r. Robt. Culley came before dinner, laid all night.

Friday the Twenty Second; M^r. Culley left me, I walked out a shooting: Jn^o. Nusum supt with me.

Saturday the Twenty Third; rode out before dinner, Rob^t. Appleby & his Nep^w. Scott dined with me.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; I dined & laid at my Sisters's at Ayton; spent an hour wth. M^r. Preston after dinner.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Monday the Twenty Fifth; dined at Gisbro' my Neighb^{rs}. Jackson, Sunley & Snowdon supt with me.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; spent at home.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; I rode out with my Gun before dinner; M^r. Duke Foggethwaite & his Tho^s. came before dinner to take my Morley Carr Farm, but ^did^ not, stay'd allnight.

Thursday the Twenty eighth; I breakfasted at Marsk, & with Mess^{rs}. Smith & Rudd went a shooting above Saltburn, dined at M^r. Smith's, & on my return home found D^r. Wayne, he laid all ^night^.

Friday the Twenty Ninth; Doct^r. Wayne went away; I dined at an Ordinary at Stockton wth. S^r. Jn^o. Eden etc. to number 27, Ladies & Gents. went to the Assembly in the evening, & laid at M^r. Sutton's.

Saturday the Thirtyeth, dined at home, walked out with my Gun after, below my House.

Sunday the Thirty First & last Day; Robert Thomas & Jn^o. Nusum dined with me, I went to Eston Chapel after dinner; Jn^o. Laverick supt with me.

NOVEMBER 1773

Monday the First; I met Mess^{rs}. Dundas & Chaloner at Gisbro' on Justice business, dined there; I laid at my Sister's at Ayton.

Tuesday the Second; dined at Stokesley at meeting of the Subscribers to the Thirsk Road, laid at Ayton.

Wednesday the Third; my Man John met me with my Gun in Normanby Banks, saw several Woodcocks, dined at home.

Thursday the Fourth; I went a Greyh'd. coursing with Rob^t. Harrison, Rob^t. Jackson, W^m. Sunley, W^m. Snowdon & W^m. Webster, they dined with me, so did M^r. Harrison of Gisbro' & M^r. Consett; Cap^t. Tho^s. Wilton came & laid all night.

Friday the Fifth; Cap^t. Wilson went away, I rode out with my Gun below the House after dinner.

Saturday the Sixth; spent at home.

Sunday the Seventh; dined & laid at my Sister's at Ayton, M^{rs}. & Miss Weatherel drank tea there.

Monday the Eighth; came home after dinner.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Thursday the Ninth; Rev^d. M^r. Peacock, of Marton, breakfasted with me; I spent the day among the Men levelling West end of the Field before my House.

Wednesday the Tenth; W^m. Snowdon, my Man & I met M^r. Rudd a shooting at Ayryholm, dined at my Sister's, on my return home found Mr. Jn^o. Pease, who laid all night.

Thursday the Eleventh; M^r. Pease spent the day with me.

Friday the Twelfth; M^r. Pease went home, (he came to my House from Whitby) spent the day at home.

Saturday the Thirteenth; Rev^d. M^r. Consett dined with me; my Tenant Panton sat the an hour with me after dinner.

Sunday the Fourteenth; my Tenants Thom^s. Appleton, Jos^h. Cornforth & Tho^s. Dixon dined with me. I went with them to Eston Chapell after dinner, then smoaked a Pipe till six at Rob^t. Jackson's.

Monday the Fifteenth; dined at M^r. Harrison's at Gisbro', laid at Ayton; a very Rainy day.

Tuesday the Sixteenth; came home in the evening.

Wednesday the Seventeenth; walked into the Banks before dinner, with my Gun.

Thursday the Eighteenth; took my Servants Jn^o. & Geo: upon Barnaby with the Greyhounds before dinner, sat an hour at M^r. Consett's after Tea.

Friday the Nineteenth, walked into the Upsal Estate with my Gun before dinner; M^r. Consett supt. with me.

Saturday the Twentyeth; I walked to my workmen casting a New Hedg from Barnaby Moor Hedg' westward at the high end of Rob^t. Thomas's farm, by w^{ch}. a Lane is formed; said Rob^t. Thomas began to Land ditch the low end of his high Field to pare & burn.

Sunday the Twenty First; dined & laid all night at Ayton; drank tea with my Sister at M^r. Skottowes.

Monday the Twenty Second; I this day became bound with M^r. Thos. Duck in 6,050£ that M^r. Preston shall properly Acc. for the Rents late belonging to S^r. John Ingleby Bart. dece'd, came home after three o'Clock.

Tuesday the Twenty Third; I spent this day shooting to the Eastw^d. of W^m. Snowdon's House; Tho^s. Snowdon dined with me.

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; walked out a shooting into Eston Banks wth. Tho^s. Snowdon, he dined with me.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Thursday the Twenty Fifth; I rece'd the last payment, being 1,000£, of M^r. Newsom for my Brampton farm, dined with him etc. at Stokesley, laid at Ayton.

Friday the Twenty Sixth; spent at Ayton.

Saturday the Twenty Seventh; I called for half an hour at Cousin Forster's at Yarm, dined at Darlington, drank tea at W^t. Auckland; Miss Allen there.

Sunday the Twenty Eighth; spent the day at West-Auckland; M^r. Adamson of B^dna^dCastle came there.

Monday the Twenty Ninth; I spent the day at M^r. James's again; M^r. Adamson went away after dinner.

Tuesday the Thirtyeth & last Day; spent at W^t. Auckland, Mess^{rs}. Bell & Walton of Staindrop dined there.

DECEMBER 1773

Wednesday the First; I left W^t. Auckland after breakfast, called for half an hour at M^r. Peases at Darlington; dined at Stockton with Mess^{rs}. Boadley, Matthews etc. on a Comission to prove the Will of late Gasgoigne Finch; M^r. Preston of Stokesley being there I came home by that Town to my Sister's at Ayton.

Thursday the Second; came home before dinner.

Friday the Third; spent the forenoon at the lower part of my Estate shooting; W^m. Snowdon, John Pearson & Tho^s. Appleton, dined and supt with me.

Saturday the Fourth; dined & laid at Ayton, drank Tea at Doct^r. Wayne's at Stokesley.

Sunday the Fifth; went to Ayton Church before dinner; Doct^r. Wayne drank Tea with my Sister & me.

Monday the Sixth; dined at the Ordinary at Gisbro', spent an hour with M^r. Chaloner, came home.

Tuesday the Seventh; spent at home.

Wednesday the Eighth; M^r. Preston & M^r. Carter came to my House to endeavour to settle the dispute between M^r. Peirson & me respecting Upsil Estate, we made some progress; M^r. Carter, who appeared on the part of S^r. Ja^s. Pennyman Bart. went away; M^r. Preston & I rode out with my Greyhounds after dinner.

Thursday the Ninth; M^r. Preston went away after dinner.

Friday the Tenth; dined at Ayton & return'd.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Eleventh; walk out after dinner.

Sunday the Twelfth; Hen^y. Weetman, & (his father in Law) John Trenholm dined with me, I laid at my Sist^r's at Ayton; a hard frost for many days.

Monday the Thirteenth; dined at Gisbro', and returned to Ayton in the evening.

Tuesday the Fourteenth; Doctor Wayne inoculated my Nep^w. W^m. Wilson ^near 22 month's old^ (at my Sister Esther's) for the small Pox, his Father & Mother & 2 Sisters Han^a. & Rachel having been in London since 23rd. Augst. last, I went with the Doctor to take the Matter from Jane, Daughter of Mark Carrick of Ayton, who has had the Small Pox by inoculation: I came home.

Wednesday the Fifteenth; spent at home.

Thursday the Sixteenth; I called on M^r. Smith at Marsk, who with Rev^d. M^r. Langstaff dined with me at Mr. Easterby's at Skiningrove, we then proceeded to Boulby where we laid all night.

Friday the Seventeenth; being our half year's Pay of the Men at Boulby Allum Works Mess^{rs}. Smith, Langstaff, Easterby, his Son John, & M^cDonald dined at Boulby, they all went away in the evening.

Saturday the Eighteenth; I called at Grainge, dined at M^r. Smith's, & got home at four.

Sunday the Nineteenth; dined & laid at Ayton.

Monday the Twentyeth; spent at my Sisters.

Tuesday the Twenty First; I dined at Stokesley with Mess^{rs}. Mauleverer, Hall &^c the meeting was occasion'd by a proposal to make a Turnpike Road from Stokesley to Darlington, little was done; I laid at my Sister's - Nep^w. William's Fever appears a little.

Wednesday the Twenty Second; I rode home (to Normanby) after dinner & return'd to Ayton; the little Boy's Fever is encreased, we have much Rain.

Thursday the Twenty Third; Doct^r. Wayne & M^r. Preston dined & drank Tea at my Sisters; much Rain Nep^w. William's Fever is abated.

Friday the Twenty Fourth; Doct^r. Wayne called on his road to Whitby to which place he is sent for, the small Pox begin to appear & the Child's Fever is high.

Saturday the Twenty Fifth; X^l.mas- day the small Pox continue to come out upon my little Nephew, not so much Fever today; I sat an hour at ^M^r.^ Skottowe's.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth; my Nep^w. William has had a toilsome night, his Fever high all day & the small Pox are now very numerous upon him, was carryed into the Air several

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

times, which always reduced the Fever, his Throat seems sore, M^r. W^m. Masterman of London & W^m Richardson, dined at my Sister's: Miss Wetheril drank Tea.

Monday the Twenty Seventh; after a toilsome night the little Boy is better, & the small Pox quite out, after dinner M^r. Preston called on me, we laid at ^Normanby^.

Tuesday the Twenty Eighth; M^r. Masterman breakfasted & dined wth. me, then M^r. Preston & he went to Stockton; spent the evening at Jos. Laurences at Ayton with Mess^{rs}. Pearson & Thompson of Durham.

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth; I rec'd M^r. Wilson's Rents at Geo: Flintoff's at Stokesley M^r. Preston ^& Tenants^ dined there.

Thursday the Thirtyeth; my Nep^w. William's Small Pox beginning to decline & he being otherwise near well, we find all danger over, I drank Tea at M^r. Consett's, & laid at home; Friday the Thirty first & last Day; spent at home, much Snow & high winds.

JANUARY 1774

Saturday the First; dined & laid at Ayton.

Sunday the Second; my Sister & I drank Tea at old W^m. Richardson's; a very stormy day with Snow.

Monday the Third; my Nep^w. W^m. Wilson took his first Physick since he has had the Small Pox; Rev^d. M^r. Hastwell & his Nep^w. Dawson dined & supt at my Sister's.

Tuesday the Fourth; I came home after dinner.

Wednesday the Fifth; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & Family & M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn, dined & spent the evening; M^r. Justice Boulby dined with us.

Thursday the Sixth; spent at home; M^r. Boulby return'd from Stockton in the evening, laid all night wth. me.

Friday the Seventh; M^r. Boulby went away; I dined & spent the evening at M^r. Consett's.

Saturday the Eighth; went to Ayton in the evening.

Sunday the Ninth; my Sister, Niece, & self drank Tea at young John Richardson's.

Monday the Tenth; I dined & spent the evening at M^r. Mewburn's, walked home at twelve.

Tuesday the Eleventh; spent at home.

Wednesday the Twelfth; I sat an hour at Rob^t. Jackson's after dinner; he, & his Son Rob^t., Rev^d. M^r. Consett, W^m. Sunley and Thom^s. Snowdon supt at my House.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Thursday the Thirteenth; spent at home.

Friday the Fourteenth; went to Ayton in the evening; we now have a rapid Thaw, & much Snow being on the Ground tho' in Drifts; great Floods are expected.

Saturday the Fifteenth; dined at M^r. Preston's at Stokesley, drank Tea at old W^m.

Richardson's.

Sunday the Sixteenth; spent the day & night at Ayton; M^r. M^{rs}. & Miss Weatherel drank Tea at my Sister's; we have now a very hard frost.

Monday the Seventeenth; dined at M^r. Williamson's at Gisbro'; on my coming home found M^r. James, & soon after M^r. Logan came & laid here; violent storm with Snow.

Tuesday the Eighteenth; M^r. Logan (of Ayton) went away; M^r. James & I kept House all day.

Wednesday the Nineteenth; M^r. James & I dined at my Sister's, ret^d. to Tea; M^r. Consett sup^t with us.

Thursday the Twentieth; M^r. James & I dined at M^r. Raisbeck's at Stockton, found Mess^{rs}. Hutchinson & Adamson (of Barnard-Castle) there, they returned with us to Normanby before Tea.

Friday the Twenty First, Mess^{rs}. Hutchinson & Adamson & myself viewed the curiosity at K. Leatham before dinner. ^Jn^o. Flounders laid allnight^. Saturday the Twenty Second; we all went to Stockton & heard M^r. Walker Lecture on Electricity (save Mess^{rs}. James & Adamson) & after dining at M^r. Jos: Grey's, M^r. James left us his Aunt Taylor's being dead called him home; Hutchinson, Adamson, Grey & Raisbeck came home with me in the evening.

Sunday the Twenty Third; we all spent the day in the House, there being much Snow & wet.

Monday the Twenty Fourth; They all left me after breakfast; I drank Tea at M^r. Consett's; not quite well.

Tuesday the Twenty Fifth; dined & laid all night at Ayton, I find a great cold upon me.

Wednesday the Twenty Sixth; spent at Ayton.

Thursday the Twenty Seventh; being pretty well came home before dinner; W^m.

Robinson, Rob^t. Jackson, & W^m. Sunley sup^t.

Friday the Twenty Eighth; I sat two hours at Nic^s. Patton's (in the afternoon) with Rob^t. Jackson & W^m. Fewster after marking the Ground for a Carriage Bridg' across Spencer Beck.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Saturday the Twenty Ninth; went to Stokesley after breakfast, dined at Ayton, & drank Tea at home, Geo: Dodds (of Boulby) came in the evening.

Sunday the Thirtyeth; we spent at home.

Monday the Thirty First & last Day; Geo: Dodds went with me to Gisbro', from thence he went home, & I to Ayton after dinner; uncommonly cold.

FEBRUARY 1774

Tuesday February, the First; dined at home.

Wednesday the Second; spent the day at home.

Thursday the Third; I rece'd my Normanby Upsil Rents, the Tenants dined with me; Rob^t. supt & spent the evening till past nine.

Friday the Fourth; at home all day; Rev^d. M^r. Nelson came in the evening & stay'd all night.

Saturday the Fifth; - I spent the day at home.

Sunday the Sixth; dined & laid at Ayton.

Monday the Seventh; dined at Gisbro' drank tea at home, found H^y. Peckit, who came to Ayton ^on^ Saturday.

Tuesday the Eighth; a very stormy day with some Snow; Harry Peckit went away: my Man John went to Rob^t. Harrison's Wife's Funeral.

Wednesday the Ninth; spent the day (a hard frost) ^at home.^

Thursday the Tenth; Rev^d. M^r. Nelson & Mess^{rs}. Atkinson, & Brown dined, Mess^{rs}. Smith & Hewit joined us in the afternoon, and they all laid at my House.

Friday the Eleventh; my Company left me, I rode out half an hour after dinner not being very well.

Saturday the Twelfth; went to Ayton in the evening. Sunday the Thirteenth; went to Ayton Church before dinner; my Sist^r. & I drank Tea at M^r. Skottowe's.

Monday the Fourteenth; I dined at Gisbro' and returned to Ayton.

Tuesday the Fifteenth; called on M^r. Preston in the morning who assisted me in viewing & letting my Bro^r. Wilson's Farm at Busby (lately tenanted by Thom^s. Watson) to Ra: Jackson & his Son Jn^o. Sharp, I dined at M^r. Preston's (at Stokesley), and after sitting an hour at the Black Swan, with ^him &^ Ra: Jackson & his Son returned to Ayton.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Sixteenth; came home after dinner M^r. Sutton drank Tea with me & laid all night.

Thursday the Seventeenth; I took Thomas Appleton & his Nep^w. Thom^s. Stubs with me to view my Morley Carr Farm, to whom I have letten it, we dined at Yarm and came home in the evening.

Friday the Eighteenth; went to Ayton, from thence to Kirk-Leatham where I dined at Rev^d. M^r. Nelson's with Mess^{rs}. Lascelles, Smith, Atkinson, Hewit, Hird, & Brown; came home at Eleven.

Saturday the Nineteenth; spent at home.

Sunday the Twentyeth; dined & laid at my Sister's at Ayton.

Monday the Twenty First; came home after dinner.

Tuesday the Twenty Second; dined at M^r. Hird's at Kirk-Leatham, came home at Ten.

Wednesday the Twenty Third; Mess^{rs}. Nelson, Hird, Hewit & Brown dined & laid all night; Doct^r. Wayne supt & laid all night.

Thursday the Twenty Fourth; dined at my Sister's at Ayton, where I found my Nep^w.

Geo: Wilson come from Coxwold School; came home to Tea.

Friday the Twenty Fifth; I met W^m. Richardson, Matt^w. Masterman, & M^r. Logan on Barnaby Moor with Greyhounds by appointment, they dined with me; young M^r. Consett sat 2 hours with me after dinner.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth; spent at home.

Sunday the Twenty Seventh; dined & laid at my Sister's (at Ayton) M^r. Skottowe & family drank Tea with her.

Monday the Twenty Eighth & last Day; dined and spent the afternoon at home.

MARCH 1774

Tuesday the First; dined at M^r. Easterby's at Skiningrove, called at Grainge, drank Tea & laid at Boulby.

Wednesday the Second; Geo: Dodds rode with me to Staiths, from thence to look at Hinderwell Church, then to Jane White's at Hinderwell; I found M^r. Easterby & his Son John at Boulby, after dinner they went away.

Thursday the Third; M^r. Geo: Dodds & I dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk; he ^returned^ to Boulby; M^r. Harrison then came; I came home after Tea.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Fourth; spent at home.

Saturday the Fifth; dined & laid at my Sister's at Ayton; & it being the birth day of my Nep^w. W^m. Wilson (2 yrs. old) M^r. Skottows Family & some other Neighb^{rs}. drank Tea.

Sunday the Sixth; my Nep^w. Geo: Wilson came home with me in the evening; he felt very sick.

Monday the Seventh; Geo: & I rode out before dinner.

Tuesday the Eighth; Nep^w. Geo: & I met my Sister (Esther), Niece (Esther), Nep^w. (W^m.) & M^r. & M^{rs}. Miss Skottowe & Miss Jenny Weatheril, who came to my house to dinner, intending to stay a few days.

Wednesday the Ninth; my Nep^w. George appears to have the Jaundice & is much out of order, M^r. Skottowe rode to K. Leatham before dinner; M^r. Consett, his Son, & 2 of his Daughters ^drank Tea^ & supt with us.

Thursday the Tenth; Sam^l. Jefferson & Augst. Sanderson ^two Boys^ dined & drank Tea with us.

Friday the Eleventh; my Nep^w. Geo: is better, he & every body see Tuesday last, left me after dinner.

Saturday the Twelfth; I drank Tea at M^r. Preston's at Stokesley, laid at my Sister's at Ayton.

Sunday the Thirteenth; went to Ayton Church before dinner; came home after Tea.

Monday the Fourteenth; spent the day among my workmen levelling the West end of the ground before my House. Tuesday the Fifteenth; as yesterday, save that I drank Tea at my Sister's at Ayton.

Wednesday the Sixteenth; spent at home.

Thursday the Seventeenth; I dined at my Cousⁿ. Forster's at Yarm, with M^r. Wastell (of Burdon).

Friday the Eighteenth; spent at home wth. my workmen.

Saturday the Nineteenth; spent the day among my workmen before the House, & in that evening attended two of them to alter Gate Post near Rob^t. Tho^s. high Bridg'.

Sunday the Twentyeth; my Tenants Rob^t. Thomas & W^m. Robinson dined with me, we then went to Eston Chapel and I drank Tea at M^r. W^m. Mewburn's.

Monday the Twenty First; M^r. W^m. Mewburn breakfasted with me; we went to Ayton, Stokesley, & Leaven Grove to M^r. Jos. Passman's at Crathorn, after we dined & drank Tea there we returned by Leaven Bridg'; got home at seven.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Twenty Second; spent at home.

Wednesday the Twenty Third; spent the day examining, & committing to the House of Correction Alex^r. Morton, Tho^s. & Mary Clark; Rev^d. Consett & Son sat an hour after dinner.

Thursday the Twenty Fourth; am not very well today; drank tea at Ayton & returned with Nep^w. George.

Friday the Twenty Fifth; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & M^r. Easterby (of Skiningrove) dined with me.

Saturday the Twenty Sixth; walked out with my Nep^w. Wilson before dinner, & the Greyhounds following us killed a Hare; we laid at Ayton.

Sunday the Twenty Seventh; I dined at home with my Tenants H^y. Weetman & Jn^o. Laverick; went to Eston Chapel & drank tea at Mr. Consett's in the afternoon.

Monday the Twenty Eighth; dined at the Ordinary a Gisbro', & drank Tea at Mr. Harrison's there, on my coming home in the evening had a violent hoarseness.

Tuesday the Twenty Ninth; I went to my Sister's at Ayton in the evening; and soon after, (between seven and eight) my Brother & Sist^r. Wilson, and their twin Daughters (Hannah & Rachel) arrived from London, see Monday 23rd. Augst. last.

Wednesday the Thirtyeth; dined at Bro^r. Wilson's & came home in the evening; better of my hoarseness.

Thursday the Thirty First & last Day; I received at Yarm Fair, last Mich'mas Rents to my Bro^r. Jackson & myself; and returned to my House in the evening.

APRIL 1774

Good Friday the First (day) spent at home.

Saturday the Second; Rev^d. M^r. Consett & his Son dined with me; I am not well of my hoarseness.

Easter-Sunday the Third; my Tenants Jn^o. Nusum & Tho^s. Dixon dined with me, I went to Eston Chapel (as my Parish-Church) Rev^d. M^r. Consett, his Son & 2 of his Daughters, M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn, & M^r. Simpson drank Tea with me.

Easter- Monday the Fourth; M^r. Smith & his Nep^w. Thos. Duck (of London) came before dinner we rode to the River side, they dined & drank Tea; W^m. Robinson supt with me, & paid his Rents.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Easter-Tuesday the Fifth; I dined at Bro^r. Wilson's, came home to Tea.

Wednesday the Sixth; M^r. Raisbeck of Stockton called on me, with whom & other Company I dined at M^r. Smith's at Marsk, & laid all night there.

Thursday the Seventh; dined & laid at Boulby.

Friday the Eighth; dined at M^r. Easterby's at Skiningrove; and laid at M^r. Smith's at Marsk.

Saturday the Ninth; I dined at home, & spent part of the afternoon on the Highway in this Town'ship preparing (wth Rob^t. Jackson) our ensuing Summer's work.

Sunday the Tenth; I rece'd the Sacrament at Eston Chapel (as my Parish Church) on my return home found Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, their four eldest Children, Sist^r. Esther & Bob. Sanderson; they dined & drank Tea, I walked ^out^ after they went away.

Monday the Eleventh; I dined at Bro^r. Wilson's, M^r. Harrison called on me soon after, with whom I went to North-Allerton in the evening.

Tuesday the Twelfth; I attended the Quarter-Sessions, there ^we^ were 12 Justices on the Bench.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; attended the Quarter-Sessions all this day, and the business was not closed till after eight; I sat up till near 6 in the morning with M^r. Robinson, Blomberg etc. Justices.

Thursday the Fourteenth; I got up before twelve; dined at Darlington & laid at West-Auckland.

Friday the Fifteenth; spent the day at West-Auckland; M^r. Tho^s. Spencer Dunn was there.

Saturday the Sixteenth; spent as yesterday.

Sunday the Seventeenth; M^r. James, & M^r. T.S. Dunn dined with me at M^r. Wilkinson's at Darlington, I came home in the evening, called a little at Yarm.

Monday the Eighteenth; I dined at the Ordinary at Gisbro', M^r. Thos. Duck was there, came home at six.

Tuesday the Nineteenth; I dined at Bro^r. Wilson's & drank Tea at Sister Esther's at Ayton; came home.

Wednesday the Twentieth; spent at home, about nine in the evening ^came^ Mess^{rs}. Smith, Duck, & Rudd.

Thursday the Twenty First; the above three Gentlemen walked with me into my young woods in the morning; and went away after Tea.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Friday the Twenty Second; W^m. Sunley dined with me, & then we rode to Eston Beacon, & Upsil Quarry's.

Saturday the Twenty Third; Nich^s. Patton & Rob^t. Jackson dined with me.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; Jos. Cornforth, & Tho^s. Appleton dined with me, I went to Church with them; & after smoaked a Pipe for 3 hours at Rob^t. Jackson's.

Monday the Twenty Fifth; Bro^r. Wilson & I met M^r. Smith at Gisbro'; and did the Annual Business of the Land Tax, Windows, & Poor; I laid at Ayton.

Tuesday the Twenty sixth; Bro^r. Wilson & I met M^r. Peirse at Stokesley where we did the business, see yesterday for the West Division of Langbrough Wapentake; Rev^d. M^r. Blackburn dined with us, & came home with me.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; M^r. Blackburn & I rode to K. Leatham in the forenoon, on our return found M^r. Peirse; who went away after Tea.

Thursday the Twenty Eighth; M^r. Blackburn went away; I kept house not very well; M^r. Ja^s. Culley came in the evening, laid all night.

Friday the Twenty Ninth; M^r. Culley went away, I dined and drank Tea at Ayton.

Saturday the Thirtyeth & last Day; Rev^d. M^r. Consett dined with me; & with Rob^t. Jackson sat with me till ten o'Clock; we walked into the high Lane.

MAY 1774

Sunday May the First; I dined and drank Tea at Ayton.

Monday the Second; I met M^r. James & M^r. Tho^s. Spencer Dunn, after drinking Tea there, we spent an hour at my little Farm at Morley Carr, & came home to dinner past two; a rainy day.

Tuesday the Third; Mess^{rs}. James & Dunn went to Gisbro' Fair with me, we return'd to dinner; M^r. Consett & his Son supt with us.

Wednesday the Fourth; Mess^{rs}. James & Dunn & I dined & drank Tea at Ayton.

Thursday the Fifth; being rainy we kept ^in^ the House all day.

Friday the Sixth; M^r. Dunn rode to Gisbro' before dinner to get shaved; Doct^r. Kirton dined with us; we drank Tea at M^r. Consett's.

Saturday the Seventh; after breakfast Mess^{rs}. James & Dunn, parted from me at Acklam Lane-end they went home; I went to my workmen at my Morley Carr Farm, dined at Yarm, returned by Stockton.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Eighth; I dined & drank Tea at Ayton; had Thunder & Rain on my return.

Monday the Ninth; I got an early dinner & went to Boulby (having sent my Servant Geo: before) where I found the Collector & Comptⁿ. of the Customs of Whitby etc. who had measured the Coal Bags there to day, they went away about four, M^r. Smith stay'd all night, some other Neighbours sat with us till nine.

Tuesday the Tenth; M^r. Smith & I rode wth. Geo: Dodds up Rig-Lane to where Geo: has bought some Wood, return'd by Easington Moor to Boulby, where we found M^r. Sam^l. Campion of Whitby with whom I settled the Ship Tryton's Acco^s. after dinner he went away; on my rode home I sat an hour at M^r. Smith's, got home near Nine.

Wednesday the Eleventh; spent the day at home & attending W^m. Fewster & others building a Carriage Bridge across Cross Beck, between Normanby & Eston.

Thursday the Twelfth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, Sister Esther, Miss Sally Blackburn, & Doct^r. Wayne dined with me; they went away towards evening.

Friday the Thirteenth; spent this day as Wednesday.

Saturday the Fourteenth; I rode to my little Farm at Morley Carr, which Tho^s. Stubs removed to this day, called at Yarm, dined at Stockton, Mess^{rs}. Smith & Rudd came away with me, the latter laid all night at my House.

Sunday the Fifteenth; M^r. Smith went away before breakfast; I met him about one o'Clock at K. Leatham with M^r. Rudd intending to dine with old M^r. (W^m.) Turner, but he not being home, we dined at M^r. Hird's; I came home at nine.

Monday the Sixteenth; I dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Seventeenth; dined ^& drank Tea^ at Ayton M^r. Wilson & I settled what we thought right in the disputed Acco^s. between W^m. Richardson & his Son John, by signing a Recommendation to John to pay his Father the Bala'e of 912£ &^c that appears to us to be due to W^m. Richardson.

Wednesday the Eighteenth; I dined at Rev^d. M^r. Nelson's (at K.Leatham) with Mess^{rs}. (Wm.) Turner, Smith, Hird, Hewit, and Atkinson.

Thursday the Nineteenth; I went away to my workmen at Tho^s. Stubs's at Morley Carr, then to Yarm & after dinner came home.

Friday the Twentieth; spent the day in attending some Labourers fixing a stone Trough in Cross Beck, which I present; & road up to Eston Bank Quarry; W^m. Sunley dined with me.

Saturday the Twenty First; not well, but rode out a little after dinner.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wit-Sunday the Twenty Second; not well all day Rev^d. M^r. Consett & M^r. W^m.

Mewburn, drank Tea in the afternoon.

Wit-sun Monday the Third; rode out a little before & after dinner; being somewhat better.

Wit-sun Tuesday the ^Twenty^ Fourth; I dined at Gisbro'.

Wednesday the Twenty Fifth; a stormy wet day, Wind from N.N.E. - at home

Thursday the Twenty Sixth; I went to Yarm, & from with Mess^{rs}. Reed, Consett, & Moor & Peirse to his (Peirse's) house at Peirseburgh, where we dined and laid all night: M^{rs}. Peirse is at Bath.

Friday the Twenty Seventh; Mess^{rs}. Reed & Peirse went away before I got up to meet M^{rs}. Peirse, which they expect will be at Birmingham; after M^r. Consett & I breakfasted we left Peirseburgh, he to Yarm & I came home.

Saturday the Twenty Eighth; rode out a little after dinner; but the Wind at N.E. pinched me sore.

Sunday the Twenty Ninth; I went to Eston Chapel (my Parochial Church) in the forenoon rece'd the Sacram^t. M^r. & M^{rs}. Mewburn, Jn^o. Consett & his Sis^r. Betty dined with me, the rest of the Family drank Tea with me.

Monday the Thirtyeth; spent the day at home, save drinking Tea at M^r. Mewburn's.

Tuesday the Thirty First & last Day; I dined and drank Tea at Ayton.

JUNE 1774

Wednesday the First; John Consett dined with me, I rode down to M^r. Mewburn's, & there found Mess^{rs}. Consett & Jo^s. Passman, & while I was there my Man (Geo:) came to inform me that Cha^s. Crowe Esq. was come to my House, the above 3 Gents came to my House also, we did not part till near four in the morning.

Thursday the Second; M^r. Crow went away before I got up; (he is Canvassing in favour of his Bro^r. Geo: Crowe for the Register Office at North-Allerton, now vagant by the death of M^r. Simⁿ. Butterwick;) I got up about ten, but soon found myself so disordered by the late evening, that I went to bed again, & laid most of the day.

Friday the Third; I dined & drank Tea at S^r. William Foulis's, with Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, Doctr. Wayne etc. I came home.

Saturday the Fourth; at home, not well.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Fifth; Jn^o. Price rode down with me to Appleton's, he & H^y. Weetman dined with me, went to Church, & drank Tea at Rev^d. M^r. Consett's.

Monday the Sixth; dined at Gisbro' with Bro^r. Wilson & M^r. Smith, the Land Tax appeal, but no business.

Tuesday the Seventh; after dinner I went to Boulby, calling for 2 hours at M^r. Smith's on my road.

Wednesday the Eighth; spent the day at Boulby, M^r. Fra^s. Easterby smoked a Pipe in the afternoon.

Thursday the Ninth; I walked down the cliff at Boulby, the new vessel, The Violet being laid on Coals, which is the third voyage she has made, having been launched at Whitby on Monday the 9th inst.; I dined at M^r. Easterby's at Skiningrove, & smoked a Pipe at M^r. Smith's at Marsk till ten, wth. M^r. Rich^d. Watson.

Friday the Tenth; I went to Stokesley Church where I heard M^r. Fra^s. Blackburn preach the Visitation Sermon; I dined at Stokesley wth. ArchDeacon (Blackburn) with whom I drank Tea at Ayton, & then came home.

Saturday the Eleventh; M^r. (W^m.) Turner, Rev^d. M^r. Nelson, M^r. Atkinson, & my Sist^r. Esther, & Miss Sally Blackburne, dined with me.

Sunday the Twelfth; a very Rainy morning I went to Ayton Church twice, Mr. Blackburne preached, I came home in the evening.

Monday the Thirteenth; spent at home.

Tuesday the Fourteenth; as yesterday.

Wednesday the Fifteenth; I dined & drank Tea at Ayton, on my return I found M^r. James and his Son George.

Thursday the Sixteenth; M^r. Smith breakfasted with me, then we all rode to M^r. Hewit's Farm at Berwick, where we dined with Rev^d. Mess^{rs}. Nelson, & Clayter, & some others, and M^r. James & his Son & I came home.

Friday the Seventeenth; being a very wet day we kept house, save a little walk in the evening.

Saturday the Eighteenth; spent at home.

Sunday the Nineteenth; went to Church in the afternoon, my Neighbours Rob^t. Jackson, W^m. Sunley, W^m. Snowdon, & Tho^s. Appleton smoked a Pipe with me till after eight o'Clock.

Monday the Twentieth; spent at home, rainy.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Twenty First; being very rainy weather spent at home all day.

Wednesday the Twenty Second; tho' Rainy I rode out in the morning; Bro^r. Wilson, his Son Geo: & Bob. Sanderson dined & drank Tea, Rev^d. M^r. Fras. Blackburne drank Tea, & laid all night, Mess^{rs}. Preston & Lawson drank Tea, M^r. Jn^o. Consett supt & spent the evening, & M^r. Pearson of Durham; came late in the evening & laid all night.

Thursday the Twenty Third; M^r. Blackburn went away after breakfast; M^r. Pearson & I eat some cold meat, and went to Boulby.

Friday the Twenty Fourth, the half year's Pay at Boulby, Rev^d. M^r. Lloy, Mess^{rs}.

Easterby, Sanderson M^cDonal, & Spinx dined with us.

Saturday the Twenty Fifth; I took a ride to Ellerby for an hour returned to dinner, spent the afternoon among the Books.

Sunday the Twenty Sixth; after breakfast M^r. Pearson & left Boulby ^called at Grainge^ came by Skiningrove, and did not reach Normanby till after five, we dined & supt before seven.

Monday the Twenty Seventh; I went to Gisbro', dined at the Ordinary there with M^r. Dundas etc.

Tuesday the Twenty Eighth; I dined & drank Tea at Bro^r. Wilson's, wth. M^r. Mauleverer & his Family, M^r. & M^{rs}. Burton of Beverley.

Wednesday the Twenty Ninth; I walked through Ormsby, to Hamilton Hills, measured the intended new Road in that Township, & return'd to dinner down my own new Road, a walk of near 6 Miles, George (my Servant) was with me, and managed the Perambulator.

Thursday the Thirtyeth ^& last Day^; I dined at old M^r. Turner's; S^r. Ja^s. Pennyman was there.

JULY 1774

Friday the First; I called on S^r. Ja^s. Pennyman at Eleven, & rode with him & Jn^o. Elgie to Hamilton Hills ^where^ the new road is making, see Wednesday, return'd at one.

Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, their four eldest Children, Sist^r. Esther & Miss M^cDonald dined & drank Tea with me.

Saturday the Second; I dined at Bro^r. Wilson's with S^r. W^m. & Lady Foulis return'd in the evening.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Third; my Tenants W^m. Robinson & Jn^o. Laverick dined with me, I went to Church; drank Tea & supt at M^r. Consett's, M^r. & M^{rs}. Passman etc. being there.

Monday the Fourth; I met M^r. Dundas at Gisbro' on Justice Business, dined & spent the afternoon with him at Upleatham, did not get home till Ten.

Tuesday the Fifth; I dined at M^r. Wilson's (at Ayton); began paving the Broad Causeway near the Poor Houses.

Wednesday the Sixth; M^r. Geo: Dodds (of Boulby) spent the day wth me; I attended the Pavions.

Thursday the Seventh; attended the Pavions.

Friday the Eighth; as yesterday.

Saturday the Ninth; I attended the Pavions in the Lane near Cross Beck; & smoaked a Pipe with Rob^t. Jackson.

Sunday the Tenth; Jn^o. Price, H^y. Weetman, & Jn^o. Trenholm Jun^r. dined with me, I went with them to Church in the afternoon; & in the evening walked with John Price into my Plantations of young Oaks, in Cow-Howl, & Page Howl.

Monday the Eleventh; dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Twelfth; I attended the Quarter Sessions at Stokesley, (& returned in the evening) we were the Justices on the Bench - viz. L^d. Fauconberg, Gen^l. Cary, M^r.

Dundas, Mauleverer, Crowe, Revely, Chaloner, Peirse, Robinson, Boulby, Yeoman Junr. Rev^d. Hugil, & Comber, & myself, (Bro^r. Wilson went to Richmond this morning with his Family) the vacancy for the Register Office for the North Riding was declared this day, occasioned by the death of late Simⁿ. Butterwick Esq^e. the Candidates are Geo: Crowe & W^m. Wanley Esq^{rs}. & the Election is fixed for Wednesday 10th August at North-Allerton.

Wednesday the Thirteenth; spent at home.

Thursday the Fourteenth; I went to Boulby after breakfast, and stay'd there all night.

Friday the Fifteenth; I came home after dinner.

Saturday the Sixteenth; spent at home.

Sunday the Seventeenth; I breakfasted at Ayton, took Chaise at Stokesley (my Servt. Geo: with me) found my Sister Dorothy at Cousin Pybusses at Kilvington (near Thirsk) after dinner we came to Ayton, she brings her Servant Nanny & black Boy (Harry Speke) with her.

Monday the Eighteenth; I came home after dinner ^began to mowe.^

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Tuesday the Nineteenth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, their three Daughters & Son George & my Sisters Dolly ^& Esther^ came before dinner, my Sist^r. Do^y. & three Nieces stay'd all night, & intend to do so for some time. Sister Dolly's maid (Ann) & black Boy Harry Speke also came.

Wednesday the Twentyeth; spent at home.

Thursday the Twenty First; I went to see my workmen at Morley Carr (Tho^s. Stubbs's Farm) dined at Yarm & found Bro^r. Wilson on my return, he went away.

Friday the Twenty Second; after dinner my Sister Do^y. & three Niece Wilsons walked with me to Tho^s. Appleton's, we drank Tea & walked back again.

Saturday the Twenty Third; spent at home save a walk out in the evening.

Sunday the Twenty Fourth; Bro^r. & Sistr. Wilson & their two Sons, & Sist^r. Esther came down before dinner, Doct^r. Kirton dined with us, & went away, my ^2 eldest^ Nieces went away with their Father & Mother & Bro^r. Geo: after Tea; all the rest stay'd.

Monday the Twenty Fifth; Sist^r. Wilson came down ^wth. Mally Lythe^ & after breakfast she went with my Sisters Esther & Dolly to Stockton ^& myself^ to see some Chairs etc. for me, we dined at the Inn & came home, Sist^r. Wilson went away.

Tuesday the Twenty Sixth; ^Geo: Wilson & Bob. Sanderson dined^ spent at home.

Wednesday the Twenty Seventh; as yesterday.

Thursday the Twenty Eighth; spent at home with my two Sisters (Est: & Do^y.) Niece Est^r. & Nep^w. W^m.

Friday the Twenty Ninth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson rode down on horseback after dinner, & return'd after Tea.

Saturday the Thirtyeth; spent at home.

Sunday the Thirty first & last Day; - at home.

AUGUST 1774

Monday the First; my Sisters Est^r. & Dor^y. & Niece Est^r. & I met Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & their twin Daughters at M^r. Brown's at Stockton, we dined & drank Tea there, Niece Est^r. went home wth. her Fat^r. & Mo^r.; & my two Sis^{rs}. above ret'd wth. me.

Tuesday the Second; I went to Yarm Fair rec'd some of mine & my Bro^{r's} Rents, Mr. Rob^t. Culley came home with me; I found Sist^{rs}. E: & D. & Nep^w. W^m. gone to Ayton.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Wednesday the Third; at home all day receiving my Normanby & Upsil Rents, M^r. Culley staid.

Thursday the Fourth; M^r. Culley went away soon; M^r. Peirse & Rev^d. M^r. Joy (of Smeaton) breakfasted; Thos. Appleton & Jos. Cornforth dined with me.

Friday the Fifth; spent at home, Tenants Jn^o. Nusum & Tho^s. Dixon & Jn^o. Price supt with me.

Saturday the Sixth; among my workmen finishing the levelling before my House.

Sunday the Seventh; Rev^d. Mess^{rs}. Tench & Consett, Misses Eliz^a. & Mary Consett dined with me, we went to Eston Chapel after, & in the evening I took a walk towards the Moor.

Monday the Eighth; dined at Gisbro'.

Tuesday the Ninth; about home all day, till evening that I went to Ayton, laid at my Sister's.

Wednesday the Tenth; I called on M^r. Preston, who with Doct^r. Wayne went with me in a Post-Chaise to North-Allerton, to the Election of a Register for the North-Riding of Yorkshire, Rev^d. Doct^r. Wanley's Son, & M^r. Geo: Crowe were the Candidates, I voted for the latter, who was successfull by a large Majority [*blank*], old M^r. W^m. Turner was taken ill in Court, I attended him to private Lodgings where he dyed the 11th inst. at 6 in the evening of old Age (77) finished with a slight Palsey, this death may seem to be enter'd improperly, but I did not Journalize ^this^ till the day after M^r. Preston & M^r. Smith & I came to Stokesley in Post-Chaise, the latter rode home with me.

Thursday the Eleventh; M^r. Smith went away after dinner, Rev^d. M^r. Sam^l. Gales & Jn^o. Consett dined with us; M^r. Smith & I rode to Appleton's where the Violet is delivering Gravel from Staiths, for the road about my House.

Friday the Twelfth; breakfasted at M^r. Smith's called at Boulby, & drank Tea at Staiths with Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, their 3 Daughters, & Sist^r. Dolly, bathing there; I laid at Boulby.

Saturday the Thirteenth; I bathed & spent the day at Staiths till 4 o'Clo: they drank Tea wth. me at Boulby. Sunday the Fourteenth; I went with Geo: Dodds to Easington Church, & after dinner went to Staiths, I drank Tea there with S^r. Tho^s. Hering-Middleton; laid at Boulby.

Monday the Fifteenth; I bathed & dined at Staiths came home in the evening; M^r. Smith of Marsk went with me to Redcar to speak to the Pilots there about Piloting the

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Scorpion, Sloop of War, Cap^t. Elphinston, into the Tees, which they engage to do, my Brother Jackson is coming down in her.

Tuesday the Sixteenth; spent at home.

Wednesday the Seventeenth; W^m. Child came after dinner to look a brown Mare M^r.

James lately bought me; Sisters Wilson, & Jeff^y. came to Tea, the former went home.

Thursday the Eighteenth; M^{rs}. Mewburn & her visitors (M^{rs}. & Miss Passman & Miss Wright drank Tea with us;

Friday the Nineteenth; S^r. Math^w. White Ridley called to solicit my vote as Freeman of Newcastle, where he is a Candidate; Sister Dolly & I rode to Tho^s. Appleton's after dinner; drank Tea on our return.

Saturday the Twentyeth; Sist^r. Est^r. & Nep^w. W^m. came before breakfast ^Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson etc. came to dinner^.

Sunday the Twenty First; I walked to Eston-Nab before dinner with Rev^d. M^r. Sam^l. Gale.

Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & their Family dined & drank Tea; M^r. James came before Supper.

Monday the Twenty Second; Bro^r. Wilson came before dinner; and in the evening my Brother George Jackson came from London, he came by Sea in the Scorpion Sloop of War, Capt. Elphinston, landed at Staiths this morning & M^r. Sanderson furnished him with Horses & came with him to my House.

Tuesday the Twenty Third; Sist^r. Wilson & her Three Daughters came in the morning, we all dined at the Lady's Club at Coatham, save Niece Estr. & M^r. James.

Wednesday the Twenty Fourth; my Bro^r. Jackson, M^r. James & I walked to the River side & after dinner we rode to West-Auckland; called half an hour at M^r. Hilton's.

Thursday the Twenty Fifth; my Bro^r, M^r. James & I rode to Bishop-Auckland, the former returned before dinner, but M^r. James & I dined at M^r. Dunn's where a Club was held & this day being appointed for the Sale ^by Auction^ on my Bro^r's Estates at Bishop Auckland & Woodhouses, but no Bidders appearing we sold the House to M^{rs}. Dun for 200£; got home to supper.

Friday the Twenty Sixth; my Bro^r. & I called for half an hour at M^{rs}. Forster's at Yarm; dined & laid at Ayton.

saturday the Twenty Seventh; Brothers Jackson & Wilson & Nep^w. Geo: came wth. me to Normanby in the evening.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Sunday the Twenty Eighth; Brothers Jackson & Wilson & I rode to M^r. Tulley's at Kilton where we met Sister Wilson & Dolly we spent the day & evening there, I laid at M^r. Easterby's at Skiningrove.

Monday the Twenty Ninth; after breakfast I went to M^r. Tulley's, my Brothers & Sisters dined at Ayton, I, at M^r. Smith's, who, with his Nep^w. Duck went with me to Redcar spent an hour, & I came home.

Tuesday the Thirtieth; a very rainy morning, I went to Ayton before dinner, laid their.

Wednesday the Thirty First & last Day; my Brothers & I went upon Ayton Moor a shooting, but the day became ^so^ Rainy that we came home to dinner.

SEPTEMBER 1774

September; Thursday the First; Brothers & Sisters came to Normanby, we Men shot a part of the way, but met with no Partridges; after dinner the Ladys went away, & my Brothers & I with Nep^w. George went a Fishing opposite Tho^s. Appleton's we had good success for Soles & Dabs, late home.

Friday the Second; we rode out in the morning; Hon'ble Const:^a Phipps, Mess^{rs}. Hall, Tulley, Rev^d. Lascelles & Russell dined; they went away about eight.

Saturday the Third; after breakfast my Brothers & I left home; after we got to Ayton we got into M^r. Wilson's Coatch to Stokesley, where my Brother Jackson took a Post-Chaise on his road to London (he took Nep^w. Geo: to leave him at Coxwoud School) he came to Normanby the 22nd. Ulto. after dining at Ayton, Sister Dolly & I came home (to Normanby) where we found Cousin James her Daughter Sarah, Son Tho^s. Ward & Niece Mary Allen, to stay sometime.

Sunday the Fourth; spent at home, Rev^d. M^r. Consett & his Daughters Eliz^a. & Ann drank Tea with us.

Monday the Fifth; I dined at Gisbro', attending the Justices at our Meeting for Granting Ale Licences.

Tuesday the Sixth; I breakfasted at Marsk from whence Mess^{rs}. Smith & Rudd went with me to Grainge where with other Company we spent till two o'Clock & then sat down to Dinner, in all 8 viz. Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles, Mess^{rs}. Smith, Duck, Easterby, Watson, Dodds, W^m. Child & myself, we broke up at eight, I laid at Boulby.

Wednesday the Seventh; after dining at Boulby, I came home in the evening.

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

Thursday the Eighth; Doctr. Kirton dined with us.

Friday the Ninth; spent at home.

Saturday the Tenth; S^r. W^m. & Lady Foulis & their two Sons, Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & their twins dined, sat down 15 to dinner, I went to Ayton with them.

Sunday the Eleventh; I came home to dinner; my two Sisters (Est^r. & Do^y.) M^{rs}. & Miss James, Miss Allen & my Nep^w. Wm. drank Tea at Tho^s. Appleton's.

Monday the Twelfth; Bro^r. Wilson & his Family dined & drank Tea at Normanby.

Tuesday the Thirteenth; after coursing at Marsk I dined there, (at M^r. Smiths) with Rev^d. Mess^{rs}. Lascelles, Nelson & Langstaff, & other Gentlemen to the number of 13.

Wednesday the Fourteenth; my two Sisters Est^r. & Do^y., Nep^w. W^m. Niece Est^r., Cousin James, her Daughter Sarah, & Miss Allen dined & drank Tea with me at Coatham.

Thursday the Fifteenth; all the above left my House after dinner to go to Ayton, I then rode down to Cargo Fleet, & bought some Timber.

Friday the Sixteenth; dined at Gisbro' with Mess^{rs}. Duck, Rudd, & Harrison.

Saturday the Seventeenth; M^r. Duck breakfasted with me; I went with him by Tolsby-Hall to Stokesley; from whence, with M^r. & M^{rs}. Wilson, Sisters Est^r. & Dolly & Miss Allen to pay M^r. & M^{rs}. Marwood a morning visit they being lately married; I spent an hour at M^r. Preston's office on my return to Ayton where I laid all night.

Sunday the Eighteenth; went to Ayton Church in the forenoon, and came home in the evening.

Monday the Nineteenth; Rev^d. M^r. Lascelles, & Mess^{rs}. Smith, Rudd, & MacDonald dined & sup^t with me, the former laid all night.

Tuesday the Twentyeth; M^r. Lascelles went away; I dined at Coatham Club with Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson & Sist^r. Dolly; M^r. & M^{rs}. Turner were there, drunk Tea at K.Leatham.

Wednesday the Twenty First; after dinner I went to Cargo Fleet & bought 12 large Fir Baulks of Memel Timber at 11d. per foot, much rain on my return.

Thursday the Twenty Second; spent at home.

Friday the Twenty Third; I went to Ayton and returned before dinner, with Sister Est^r. & Dolly, Nep^w. W^m., Niece Est^r., Cousin James her Daughter Sally & Miss Allen.

Saturday the Twenty Fourth; spent at home.

Sunday the Twenty Fifth; Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, & their two eldest Girls came down before dinner, the two former went away in the evening; Doct^r. Kirton dined with us, &

Ralph Jackson's diary (Book O), Normanby, September 1770 – September 1774

drank Tea at M^r. Mewburns with my Sister Dolly, two Nieces, Misses James & Allen & myself.

Monday the Twenty Sixth; I went to Gisbro', came home to dinner, found Bro^r. & Sist^r. Wilson, (who went away in the afternoon with their two eldest Girls,) & Rev^d. Fran^s.

Blackburn who stay'd all night; M^r. James came in the evening.

Tuesday the Twenty Seventh; rainy weather.

Wednesday the Twenty Eighth; M^r. Blackburn went away before breakfast; Rain all day.

Thursday the Twenty Ninth; M^r. & M^{rs}. James, their Daughter Sally, & Miss Allen left us after breakfast, (see Saturday the 3rd. inst. Page 177) spent at home.

Friday the Thirtyeth & last day of Sept. 1774. Spent at home, very much Rain; M^r. & M^{rs}. Marwood (see Sat^y. 17th inst.) returned our morning visit.