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For clarity punctuation has been inserted where appropriate, and Sorell's abbreviations have been extended (except for Lon., Lat. and ther[mometer] repeated daily during the voyage). The pound sign (£), often placed by Sorell after the figure, has always been placed before the figure, according to modern custom.

A xerox copy of the original manuscript is also bound with this transcript.

WILLIAM SCRELL

JOURNAL

1823

Friday August 1st 1823

Packed up. Bid all friends farewell. Set off by the Chatham coach (Girvan with me), arrived at Chatham 6 o'clock, took tea started off by packet to Sheerness, arrived there about $\frac{1}{2}$ past 9. Parted with Girvan at 10 o'clock. Slept at the Ship, Sheerness.

2 Saturday

Breakfasted at the Ship Tavern, Sheerness. Set off for the vessel, arrived safe on board about 10 o'clock. Arranged my berth etc. etc. A dull day. Wrote to Town.

3 Sunday

At Sheerness. A dull day

4th Monday

At Sheerness. A dull day, blowing rather hard.

5th

At Sheerness. Rather a fine day. Wrote to Mother.

6

Rather a fine day. Received a letter from Mother and 1 from Garrard. Captain came on board. (stock etc. 5/-, letter $\frac{1}{6}$ d)

7

At Sheerness. A fine day. Saw the Revenge 74 go down the river (her first time of going). Wrote to Mother (etc. etc. etc.)

8th Friday

Left Sheerness between 9 & 10 o'clock. Not much wind. (watch repaired $\frac{1}{6}$)

9 Saturday

Arrived at Deal about 4 o'clock. Rather a fine day. Very sick.

10th Sunday

At Deal, the Downs. Very sick in my Berth almost all day.

11th Monday

A dull day. Left the Downs about 10 o'clock night. Wrote to Mother etc.

- 12th Tuesday
Blew fresh, fine. Got nearly to Dungeness, carried away main topsail yard, returned.
- 13th Wednesday
At the Downs, a fine day.
- 14th Thursday
A quiet day. Ill
- Friday August 13th 1823
Downs. A fine morning. Went on shore. Walked over Deal, dined at the Exchange Inn. Arrived on board 9 o'clock. Very rough. Wrote to Mother. (Expenses, apples etc., £1)
- 16th Saturday
Fine day. Received letter from Mother. Downs[†]
- 17th Sunday
A fine day rather. Convict flogged. Downs[†]
- 18th Monday
A fine day. Wrote to Mother etc. Received a letter from Garrard. Downs[†]
- 19th Tuesday
Downs A dull day
- 20th Wednesday
Downs A fine day. Went on shore, saw Deal Castle, etc.
- 21st Thursday
A fine day. Left the Downs. Got underweigh 4 o'clock morning.
- 22 d Friday
A wet day. Sailing very slowly against the wind. A bed part of the day, sick.
- 23 Saturday
Sailing very slow. A wet day. A bed part of the day. Rather quiet. Beachy Head in sight.
- 24th Sunday
Sailing very slow. A fine day, sea quite calm.
- Monday 25th
A fine day. Sailing very slow, calm. Portland, Weymouth, Portsmouth in sight and the Needles.

[†] Shown by 'ditto' symbol.

Tuesday 26th

Rather a fine day. Sailing very slow, calm.

Wednesday 27th

A fine day, little fresher breeze.

Thursday 28th

A fine day.⁺ Off Falmouth. Little more wind. Wrote to Mother. Boat came alongside.

Friday 29th

A fine day (but little wind). Anchored in Falmouth Harbor about 4 o'clock. (sent to be washed 3 shirts, 3 pair hose and 1 pair trousers - Received them.)

Saturday 30th

A fine day. Went on shore at Falmouth, dined at the King's Arms, etc., then walk round the country, went to Penryn. The views from the harbor are beautiful. (washing 4/- ^s14/-)

Sunday August 31 1823

A very fine day. Left Falmouth Harbor about 4 o'clock with a slight breeze - favorable. (lent Mr Boyes 10/- see lr.)

Monday September 1st

A fine day, making but little progress, the wind being against us.

Tuesday Sept. 2

A dull day. Left the Lands End, wind against us till 4 o'clock, after 4 o'clock sailing 6 knots

Wednesday 3

A fine day, sailing at the rate of 5 knots upon the average - in the Bay of Biscay. Buttery, a convict, flogged for attempt at Sodomy.

Thursday 4th

A very fine day - calm in the Bay of Biscay, going 4 knots at 4 o'clock, 7 knots at 9 o'clock.

Friday 5th Sept.

A very fine day, in the Bay. 6 knots in the day, 7½ after 7 o'clock evening.

Saturday Sept. 6

A very fine day, through the Bay of Biscay. 7½ knots average the whole of the day. 43-38 Lat.N 11-25 Long. W.

Sunday 7th Sept.

Rather a fine day. Wind shifted. 6 knots at 10 o'clock, got quite unfavorable by 3 o'clock and after that time did not sail 1 knot an hour of our course. Lat. 41-39, Long. 13-51

+ indicated by 'ditto' symbol

Monday Sept. 8th

A quiet day - laid too the whole of the morning repairing tilting of rudder - going, after 12 o'clock, about $1\frac{1}{2}$ knots of our course S.S.W. 3 knots W., blowing strong towards evening. Lat. 41-18 N., Long. 12 x 28 W. Thermometer 72 degrees.

Tuesday Sept. 9

Rather a fine day, blowing rather strong from the west. Going about the rate of 1 knot on course. Lat. 40-54 N., Long. 14-16 W. Therm. 73

Wednesday Sept. 10th

A fine day, wind still the same, going about 1 knot on course. Lat. 40-38, Long. 14-8 W., ther. 74^o

Thursday Sept. 11th

A very fine day, quite calm, a slight favorable breeze sprang up about 6 o'clock evening, when we sailed about 2 knots. Lat. 40-18, Lon. 13-38 W. Ther. 74^o. A strange bird was shot, not an aquatic bird.

Friday Sept. 12th

A calm all day - a very fine day. Lat. 39-55 N., Long. 13-15 W. Ther. 75^o

Saturday 13th

A very fine day, slight breeze unfavorable, about $1\frac{1}{2}$ knots on course, increased towards evening. Lat. 39-47, Long. 14-14 W. Ther. 75^o

Sunday 14th

A dull day with some rain, blowing strong, unfavorable. Changed after 12 o'clock. Going upon the average the whole day $3\frac{1}{2}$ knots. Lat. 39-14, Long. 14-00 W. Ther. 73^o. Very sick, rather high sea. An aquatic Bird was caught in the ship.

Monday 15th Sept.

A fine day - a fine favorable breeze northerly. Going before 12 o'clock at the average of 5 knots nearly. Saw a brig in the forenoon. The whole day averaged about 4 knots sailing. Lat. 37-23 N., Long. 13-34 W. Ther. 74^o. N.E.T.+

Tuesday 16th

A very fine day. A fine favorable breeze as yesterday - sailing upon the average 6 knots about. Lat. 35-20 N., Lon. 14-22 W. Ther. 75^o

Wednesday 17th

Land in sight at 12 o'clock - Porto Santo. Rather a fine day. Wind as yesterday, average about 6 knots till 12 o'clock. Saw a flying fish, turtle etc. Lat 33-24 N., Long. 16-16 W. Ther 74^o Sailing after 12 o'clock and all night upon the average $6\frac{1}{2}$ knots. Saw Porto Santo, Madeira and the Desertas. Was tyed to the Rigging - paid the forfeit, a bottle of liquor.

+ North east trade winds

Thursday 18th

A fine day, fresh breeze, sailing up to 12 o'clock at the rate of 7 knots, after 12 o'clock nearly the same. Lat. 30-39 N., Long. 16-34 W. Ther. 74°.

Friday 19th

A dull day. Convicts irons put on. Feneriffe in sight at 8 o'clock, bore west 8 miles. Now sailing about 2 knots. Becalmed off the Island about 12 o'clock, could not make it, the Guildford Convict ship in the same situation. Feneriffe bore west 8 miles, ther. 75°.

Saturday 20th

A fine day. Off Feneriffe (Santa Cruz), cast the anchor about 11 o'clock. Went on shore about 12 o'clock. Visited the Governor and the British Consul, Mr. Lebrun, with the Captain and Dr. Carter. Met the passengers of the Guildford and dined with them by appointment and likewise met some of the passengers of the Jos. Green bound to Sierra Leone and another vessel.

The following sat down to dinner, viz.:

Capt. Rennoldson)	
Dr. Carter)	
Mr Sorell)	of the
Capt. Hibbert)	<u>Sir Godfrey Webster</u>
Ensign Williams)	
Mr Boyes)	
Mr Goodsir)	
Mr Howard)	
Capt. Johnson)	
Judge Forbes & his)	
clerk)	of the
Dr. Mitchell)	<u>Guildford</u>
Lt. Thornhill)	
Mr Dalhanty)	
Capt. _____+)	of the
Lt. Maclean)	<u>Jos. Green.</u>

and several more officers - strangers - in all about 22 Englishmen. Visited the punch House and took some iced lemonade (Ice from the peak of Feneriffe), arrived on board about 9 o'clock, found the soldiers and sailors all drunk, they began fighting directly we came on board, had a terrible scuffle, not quelled till 12 o'clock, 1 soldier put in irons.

It was a very fine day. Visited the shops etc. The people seem a very lazy set, the town a miserable place and but little of anything to be got and that little very dear. Ther. 77° on board.

Received of Dr. Carter 18 dollars. Mr Boyes returned me 1½ dollars of 10/- borrowed.

Sunday Sept. 21st

Off Santa Cruz. The boat from the Guildford came to take us on shore (by appointment) at 6 o'clock in the morning - Judge Forbes and his clerk, Dr Mitchell and Capt. Johnson were in her. Hired a jack ass each and went to Laguna, about 5 miles from Santa Cruz.

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The Party

Dr Carter)
William Sorell) of the Sir Godfrey Webster
& Mr Walter)

Judge Forbes & clerk)
Capt. Johnson) of the Guildford
& Dr. Mitchell)

Breakfasted at Laguna. Saw the Cathedral etc. Laguna is the ancient town of Teneriffe, but not so much now a place of business as Santa Cruz. Returning met the following gentlemen on asses going to Laguna

Capt. Rennoldson)
Capt. Hibbert) of the
Mr Boyes) Sir Godfrey Webster
Mr Goodsir)

Dr. Mitchell and the Judges' clerk (Mr Glenney's) asses threw them (not hurt). Both parties dined together at Santa Cruz. Visited the Punch House and arrived on board about 10 o'clock - all well. The day was very fine. The road to Laguna is very bad, indeed it was dangerous coming back (down hill). The country presented a most mountainous and sterile appearance - literally burnt up, saw nothing growing but a tree here and there, which seemed scorched and dead. Did not see any birds. Saw a few pigs and these very poor. Ther. 77° on board.

Monday September 22

Off Santa Cruz. Went on shore about 11 o'clock. Met some of the Guildford party. Walked about the country for some time and gathered some figs and prickly pears. Dined together at Santa Cruz, the Judge one of the party. Purchased some green oranges and a piece of silk handkerchief for 7 dollars. Bid farewell and arrived safe on board by 9 o'clock. Dr Mitchell came on board and staid 'till $\frac{1}{2}$ past 10 o'clock and bid us all farewell. The morning was wet but it turned out fine towards the afternoon - rained again in the evening. The host told us it had not rained at Teneriffe for 12 months before. A French ship brought in as prize by the Spaniards worth 400,000 dollars. Ther. 75° on board.

Tuesday Sept. 23

Off Santa Cruz. A fine day. Got underweigh about 10 o'clock, the Guildford about 2 hours before us, it blew a fresh breeze, going about 8 knots the whole day and night average ($9\frac{1}{2}$ at one time). Ther. 76°.

Wednesday 24th.

A fine day, breeze fresh - going at the rate of 8 knots the whole day and night. Lat. 25-34 N., Lon. 18-21 W. Ther. 76°. Delivered to Mr Walter 2 Handkerchiefs 10/- and to Mr Boyes 1 ditto 5/- - see ledger.

Thursday 25th

A fine day, going at the rate of 7 knots the whole day.
Lat. 22-02 N., Lon. 18-54 W., Ther. 76°.

Friday Sept. 26th

A fine day, going about 5 knots till 12 o'clock, lost the breeze and went about 2½ afterwards. Lat 20-41 N., Long. 20-04 W. Ther. 78°. Saw thousands of flying fish in flocks and the bonita pursuing them. Exceedingly hot.

Saturday Sept 27th

A fine day, going about 2½ all day. Lat 19-36 N., Lon. 21-25 W. Exceedingly hot.

Sunday Sept. 28th

A fine day, going about 4 knots all day, very hot.
Lat. 18-41 N., Long. 23-32 W. Ther. 80°.

Monday Sept. 29th

A fine day, going about 6½ knots the average west, our course south. Lat. 17-56 N., Long. 25-26 W. Ther. 82°. Very hot.

Tuesday Sept. 30th

A fine breeze, rather a dull day, rain very heavy between 1 and 2 o'clock. Going on course after 9 o'clock about 6½ average the whole day. Abreast of St. Anthony's, one of the Cape de Verd Islands, about 5 o'clock. Saw it first about 4 o'clock. Lat. 15-46 N., Lon. 26-27 W. Ther. 83°. Very hot.

Wednesday Oct. 1st.

A fine day, fine breeze, going about 6 average the whole day.
Lat. 13-39 N., Lon. 26-5 W. Ther 84° Very hot.

Thursday Oct. 2

A fine day, fine breeze, going at the rate of 5 miles [sic] (the average). Lat. 11-22 N., Long. 25-17 W. Ther. 84°

Friday Oct. 3

A fine day, a fine breeze, going at the average rate of 6 knots the whole day, dropt off about 9 o'clock. Lat 8-41, Lon. 25-2 Ther. 84°. Lost the NE.T. this day.

Saturday Oct. 4th

A fine day, very calm. A dolphin struck with the harpoon. Going very slow. A squall of heavy rain in the afternoon. Sailors got plenty of rainwater. Lat. 7-15 N., Long. 23-39 Ther. 84°. 2 ships in sight. Hot. Lost NE.T.

Sunday 5th

2 ships in sight. A very wet day and squally, got some rainwater. A dolphin and a bonita caught with hooks. No observations. Ther. 86° Strong foul wind and heavy sea.

+ North east trades

Monday Oct. 6th

A very wet day, strong foul wind and heavy sea. No observations. Ther. 86°. This and the preceding day the thermometer in the prison during the night 96°. 1 ship in sight, suppose the Guildford.

Tuesday Oct. 7th

A fine day, fine breeze, unfavorable - of no use, not 1 mile in 2 or 3 west on course. Lat 6-41 N., Long. 22-32. Ther. 86°.

Wednesday Oct. 8th

A fine day. Very little wind and that unfavorable. 2 ships in sight from the mast head. Wind fell off as the day advanced. (A shark about 6 ft. long took our bait at the ship's stern, but owing to the bad tackle we could not catch him, he went away with a small hook in his mouth. Lat. 6-42 N., Lon. 20-59 W., Ther. 86°. One of the large guns lost overboard by moving it.

Thursday Oct. 9th

A wet day - but little wind and that unfavorable, not going 2 knots an hour upon the average and that not on course. No observations. Ther. 83°.

Friday 10th

A very dull day with rain, a fresh breeze and heavy sea - going upon the average 4 knots (not on course). A brig, outward bound, bore north west about 4 miles about 10 o'clock morning, spoke her about 4 o'clock afternoon, was a French brig from St Marlow [sic ? Malo] No observation. Ther. 82°. Paid for washing 6/-

Saturday 11th

A fine day rather. Blew hard with a heavy sea, going as yesterday. (Lost the cat overboard). Wind a little more favorable towards evening, going 5 knots at 10 o'clock. Lat 5-8 N., Lon. 17-38 W. Ther. 84°.

Sunday Oct. 12th

A fine day, wind and sea abated. Divine service performed before the Prisoners. Going but slowly. Lat. 4-40 N., Lon. 18-48, Ther. 85°. One of our ladies went into hysterical fits, had like to have dyed.

Monday Oct. 13th

A fine day - almost calm. Lat. 4-14 N. Long. 19-6 W. Ther. 85°.

Tuesday 14th

A dull day with rain and scarcely any wind before 12 o'clock. Breeze fresher after noon, going about 3½ average all day and night. No observation. Ther. 83°.

Wednesday Oct. 15th

A fine day with a fresh breeze, going upon the average the whole day and night 6 knots. Lat. 2-41 N., Lon. 13-28 W. Ther. 84°. 2 or 3 ships in sight a long distance off. This day the S.E. trade commenced.

Thursday 16th

Rather a fine day, fine breeze and as yesterday going about 5 knots average all day and night. Lat. 1-41 N., Lon. 13-00 W. Ther. 84°. Read in the course of the day, played a rubber of whist at night.

Friday 17th

A fine day, fine trade wind as yesterday, going on the average all day and night $5\frac{1}{2}$ knots. Lat. 00-22 S. Lon. 24-28 W. Ther. 80° . Crossed the line. The men wanted a shaving match, the Captain would not allow it. Read in the course of the day. Played at whist evening..

Saturday 18th

A fine day, fine wind as yesterday, about 6 knots. Lat. 2-22 S., Long. 26-20 Ther. 79° . Read in the course of the day. Played a rubber of whist in the evening

Sunday 19th

A fine day, fine breeze as yesterday, going about 7 knots average. Lat 4-51 S., Lon. 27-26 W. Ther 79°
Divine service performed before the whole ship's company. A brig in sight.

Monday 20th

A fine day, fine breeze as yesterday, going about $6\frac{1}{2}$ knots average. Lat. 7-20 S., Long 27-54. Ther. 78° A brig to leeward. Read in the course of the day. Played a rubber of whist in the evening. Mr Howard came on deck this day after his illness.

Tuesday Oct. 21st

Rather a fine day, fine trades as yesterday, going average $6\frac{1}{2}$ knots. Lat. 9-40 S. Lon. 27-54 W. Ther. 78° , hot. Read in the course of the day. Sun vertical this day.

Wednesday 22 d

A dull day, the breeze not quite so fresh as yesterday, going about 6 knots, nearly. A calm from 12 to 4 o'clock in the day. No observations. Ther. 77° . Drawing in the day.

Thursday 23 d

A fine day, fine breeze, going average 6 knots. Lat 14-8 S., Lon. 29-17 W. Ther 75° Drawing and reading in the course of the day.

Friday 24th

A fine day, fine breeze, going average $6\frac{1}{2}$ knots. Lat. 16-27 S., Lon. 29-22. Ther. 76° . Reading and drawing in the course of the day.

Saturday 25th

A fine day as yesterday, heavier sea, going on average $5\frac{1}{2}$ knots. Lat. 18-52 S., Lon. 28-29 Ther. 76° . spoke the ketch South Seaman, about $7\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock evening, was first discovered at the mast head in the morning early. Her long. was 27-28, ours see above 28-29. Reading and drawing in the day.

Sunday 26th

A fine day etc. as yesterday. Lat 20-58 S. Long. 27-36 Ther. 76° $5\frac{1}{2}$ knots average. The South Seaman only to be seen from the mast head at 8 o'clock morning. Divine service performed before the ship's company. Reading in the day.

Monday Oct. 27th

A fine day, scarcely any wind. Lat. 22-42 S. Lon. 26-18
Ther. 76°. A brig at 7 o'clock morning ahead of us about 4 miles,
we gained upon her towards evening. Reading in the day.

Tuesday Oct. 28

Out of the tropics - 23-28. The brig astern. Lost the S.E.
trade. A very fine day, fine breeze. Lat. 24-17 S. Long 26-15 W.
Ther. 75°. Laydtoo for the brig. She came alongside about
10 o'clock. Our Captain and Mr Goodsir went on board her (The
Aquatic for the Cape of Good Hope). Wrote a letter for Mother
and sent it on board with other of the Gentlemen's (bad). They
saw 12 ships the day we saw six - they left the Downs the day
after us and crossed the line on the 16th in Long. 21. They did
not touch anywhere after leaving the Downs.

Wednesday 29th

A fine day, calm. Lat. 24-54 S., Lon. 25-30 W. Ther. 75°
The brig in company. The Captain and a passenger, Mr Still
(for the Cape) came on board and dined, etc with us, returned
on board their own ship again about 7 o'clock. About 9 o'clock
morning three large whales were within 12 yards of the ship.
Played a rubber or two of whist in the evening.

Thursday 30th

A fine day, calm. Lat. 25-8 S., Long 25-17 W. Ther. 75°
The brig in company. Read morning and played a rubber in the
evening.

Friday 31st

A fine breeze and fair, and fine day, going average about 5 knots.
Lat. 26-8 S., Long 24-41 W. Ther. 74°. The brig scarcely
perceptible at 6½ o'clock evening. Drawing in the day. Played
a rubber in the evening

Saturday Nov. 1st 1823.

A fine day, fine favorable breeze, stronger than yesterday.
Lat. 27-42 S., Long. 22-45 W. Ther. 73°. The brig was seen
from the mast head early in the morning. An albatross or two
seen. Drawing in the day.

Sunday Nov. 2

A dull day with rain, strong breeze and heavy sea, all sails set,
going average 7½ knots. Lat. 29-34, S. Lon. 19-52 W. Rather an
imperfect observation, the day being cloudy. Ther 72°.
Divine service not performed in consequence of the humidity
of the weather. At 11 o'clock took in all sails except fore
and main sail and top sail and mizzen top sail, at 2 o'clock
a severe squall, which lasted for a few minutes, took 2 reefs
in fore and main topsail and furled mainsail. Still we went
on at a tremendous rate, right before it.

Monday Nov. 3 1823

A very dull day, strong wind and heavy seas. The wind changed often in the course of the day but most of the time it was fair and towards the evening it freshened and we were soon going about 9 knots on course. No observation today. Ther. 68°. Reading in the day. The convicts had each man given them 1 pair Drawers 1 pair stockings and 1 shirt. Saw some aquatic birds and a whale at a distance.

Tuesday Nov. 4th

A dull and rainy day. It blew very strong all night. When I got on deck 8 o'clock morning it blew a gale which increased with a heavy sea at 3 pm. There was a heavy squall carried away our mizin topsail yard. We were sailing under a close reefed main and fore topsail and foresail when we lost our main topsail yard. The sea was very heavy and it blew tremendous strong, they called it in this longitude a gale. Lat. 31-50 S., Lon. 16-23. Ther 66°.

Nov. 5th 1823

A fine day, almost calm, heavy sea from the effect of the wind yesterday. Lat. 32-40, Lon. 15-27 Ther. 66°. Mr Williams shot a Cape pigeon. Reading etc. in the day.

Thursday Nov. 6th

A fine day, calm with heavy swell, slight breeze towards the evening. Lat. 33-4, Lon. 14-36 Ther. 65°.

We had some shots today - Mr Williams shot an albatross and W.S. a Cape pigeon. A shark made his appearance about 12 o'clock, he took our bait but we did not catch him owing to the badness of the tackle - he was about 8 ft. long.

Friday Nov. 7th

A fine day, scarcely any wind. Lat. 33-35 S., Lon. 12-32 Ther. 62°.

A few shots from the poop to-day. A shark made his appearance about 2 o'clock and about 10 minutes after he took our bait and we caught him. I got him safe upon deck. We had not time to look at or measure him, he was taken forward and cut up instantly by the sailors. I suppose he measured about 8 or 9 ft. long from the two extreme points.

Saturday Nov. 8th

A fine day. Light breeze. Lat 33-19 S. Lon. 11-41 W. Ther. 64°. By reference to the preceding day it shews we have been going back, we have got 16 miles nearer the Equator.

Sunday Nov. 9th

A fine day, light breeze as yesterday from the south. Lat. 34-6 S., Lon. 12-5 (an increase) Ther. 64°. Divine service performed before the whole ship's company.

Monday Nov. 10th

A fine day, fine breeze, freshened towards the afternoon, going S.E. fast. Lat. 35-24 S., Lon. 11-10 W. Ther. 63°
Reading in the course of the day. A great number of porpoises round the ship towards evening.

Tuesday 11th

A dull day with much rain till 2 o'clock. No observations. Ther. 65°. Going before the wind, a fresh breeze, at 7 knots. The wind shifted suddenly and the rain subsided about 2 o'clock. After that it got very fine and the wind blew from the south, we were going east south east about 4 knots.

A great many birds were about the ship, particularly albatrosses, in the afternoon. We had some shots and we caught one with a line and hook. He measured 7 ft. good from the extremity of each wing. There was a great many porpoises round the ship in the evening and a whale at a distance.

Wednesday 12th Nov.

A fine day, calm till 3 o'clock a fine light breeze sprung up Lat. 37-21 S., Lon. 6-10 W. Ther. 63°

We had several shots in the course of the day. In the afternoon there was a great quantity of small birds near the ship, I may say thousands, and likewise a whale was seen some distance off. Played a rubber in the evening.

Thursday 13th

A fine day, rather slight breeze and calm part of time. Lat. 38-11 S., Lon. 4-30 W. Ther. 62°
Many birds in sight. Washing 5/-

Friday Nov. 14th

A fine day, slight breeze in the morning, wind shifted to the north north west and freshened towards evening when it blew strong - the ship was going about 7 knots. It got very cloudy about 9 o'clock. Lat. 38-59 S., Lon. 2-48 W. Ther 63°.
Shot several birds today. Played a rubber of whist in the evening. Rather squally in the night.

Saturday 15th

East longitude today. A fine day, fine fresh breeze and heavy sea, going 7½ knots upon the average all day and night. Lat. 39-26 S., Lon. 1-6 E. Ther. 61°
The convicts had each man a pair of drawers given him today. Played a rubber in the evening. The vessel rolled so much I could not sleep.

Sunday Nov. 16th

Rather a fine day. Fine fresh breeze with a heavy sea. Increased towards evening and shortened sail. Going 8 and 9 knots all day and night. Lat. 39-42 S. Lon. 4-54 E. Ther. 61.
A great many birds about the ship. The vessel rolled so much in the night I could not get any sleep.

Monday Nov. 17th

A dull day, strong breeze as before with heavy sea, going 8 knots under reefed topsail and foresail. Lat. 40-8 S., Lon. 9-16 E. Ther. 63°. The evening was fine. Played a rubber of whist. Had a fine shot.

Tuesday Nov. 18th

Rather a dull day, strong breeze and heavy sea as yesterday, going $7\frac{1}{2}$ knots average. Lat. 40-12 S. Lon. 13-30 E. Ther. 63° . The wind fell off towards evening when the ship rolled very much. Played a rubber of whist in the evening.

Wednesday 19th

Rather a fine day, strong breeze etc. as yesterday morning. Going average 7 knots. Lat. 40-32 S. Lon. 16-52 E. Ther. 63° . Played a rubber of whist in the evening.

Thursday 20th

A dull day. Upon going on deck in the morning I found it quite calm with but little swell, considering the heavy sea of yesterday - no wind all day. Lat. 40-34, Lon. 21-2 E. Ther. 62° . Had some shots. Played a rubber in the evening. Abreast of the Cape.

Friday Nov. 21st

Upon going on deck in the morning I found it blew strong which it had done from 5 o'clock and we were going $7\frac{1}{2}$ knots. The wind was from the south west and by west and rather squally in the morning. We went $7\frac{1}{2}$ and 8 knots till 12 o'clock and afternoon. Lat. 40-35 S. Lon. 23-2 E. Ther. 61° . It continued squally all the day until 11 o'clock when I went to bed. It, at times, blew tremendous hard accompanied with hail and rain. We had no sails set but the topsails and fore and main topsails and they were close reefed. I think we were going 9 knots upon the average all day and night. This was by far the roughest day and night we have had. Played a rubber in the evening.

Saturday Nov. 22

Upon going on deck in the morning, 4 o'clock, I found it blew very hard and that it was squally, indeed it had been so all night and I could not get any sleep. I tried to sleep from 5 till 11 o'clock but could not. It blew very hard all day and the sea was very heavy. The squalls were dreadful and attended with hail etc. (the Captain was going to take in all sail about 12 o'clock last night). Lat. 39-53 S. Lon. 27-12 E. Ther. 62° . The wind suddenly subsided about 9 o'clock when I went down to bed.

Sunday Nov. 23

A fine day rather. Upon going on deck in the morning I found it almost calm though with a heavy swell. Towards the afternoon a breeze sprung up and freshened towards the evening. Lat. 40-9 S. Lon. 30-6 E. Ther. 60° . An albatross was caught with a hook from the ship's stern today (smaller than the others). I was awoke about 12 o'clock by some of the gentlemen who were making merry, when I found that Mrs Goodsir one of our ladies was safely delivered of a fine Boy.

Monday 24th

A fine day, with fine breeze. Going 6 knots till 12 o'clock.

Lat. 40-20 S. Lon. 33-2 E. Ther. 60°. Our fore topsail yard was discovered to be broken this morning. The wind decreased towards the evening a little. Reading in the course of the day.

Tuesday 25th

Rather a fine day. Upon going on deck in the morning I found the wind was against us, it blew from the south east. We were going about 4 knots on tack and tack. Lat. 40-18 S. Lon. 35-00 E. Ther. 58°

An albatross, same as last, caught with the hook and line. Reading in the day.

Wednesday Nov. 26th 1823

A dull day, the wind as yesterday from the south east, only stronger, tacking. No observations. Ther. 60°. The wind got round a little towards the evening and blew stronger. Reading in the day. Played a game at Cribbage in the evening.

Thursday 27th Nov.

A dull day. Blew strong with heavy sea and raining. Laying just on course. Lat. 40-52 S. Lon. 38-14 E. Ther. 59°. Laying down (unwell) and reading in the course of the day. The wind increased towards the evening, the ship rolled about very much. Could not sleep, dressed myself and went upon deck and staid there two hours. The sea was very high and it blew dreadful hard accompanied with thunder and lightning - indeed it was a dreadful stormy night.

Friday Nov. 28th

A dull morning. Blew hard accompanied with rain and thunder and lightning. It cleared up and got fine by 3 o'clock when the wind had almost subsided and the sea gone down much. The wind freshened towards the evening and it looked rather heavy. No observations. Ther. 59°. Reading in the course of the day. Shot several birds. Played a game of cribbage in the evening (Williams).

Saturday 29th

A fine day, fine fresh breeze, going $5\frac{1}{2}$ average all day. Lat. 40-52 S. Lon. 45-12 E. Ther. 60°. Reading in the course of the day.

Sunday Nov. 30th

A fine day. The morning was rather heavy with the wind as yesterday north east. At about 10 o'clock there was a squall and the wind shifted suddenly to the north west, after which she went 6 knots all the afternoon and night. The evening was fine. Lat. 40-34 S. Lon. 49-50 E. Ther. 60°. Divine service was not performed upon deck to day.

Monday Dec^r. 1st 1823

A fine day. Fine breeze from the south west, going average 6 knots, the steering sails set. Lat. 41-13 S. Lon. 53-00 E. Ther. 60°. Had several shots to-day.

Tuesday Dec. 2 1823

A fine day, fine breeze, as yesterday, going 8 knots average. Lat. 41-22 S. Lon. 57-25 E. Ther. 62°. Reading in the day. It got cloudy towards the evening. (Rained heavy during the night)

Wednesday 3, 1823

A wet morning. Cleared up by 10 o'clock, after which it was very fine till the evening when it got cloudy and the wind fell off between 9 and 10 o'clock. Lat. 41-38 S. Lon. 61-27 E. Ther. 63°. Reading in the day.

Thursday 4th, 1823

A dull day, attended with rain at times, the wind south east and by east in the morning, got round towards the evening and freshened. Lat. 41-48 S. Lon. 63-37 E. Ther. 63°. Reading in the day

Friday Decr. 5th

A fine day, wind as yesterday evening. Going about $7\frac{1}{2}$ or 8 knots all day and night. It got cloudy towards evening. Lat. 41-29 S. Lon. 67-33 E. Ther. 65°. Reading almost all day.

Saturday Decr. 6th

A dull day attended with rain. It got very heavy towards evening and when I retired it rained very hard (9 o'clock). The wind fell off about 4 o'clock. No observations. Ther. 63°. Lon. accounted 71-25. There was no wind after 4 o'clock till about 8 when there was wind enough to make the ship go a knot or two but it was unfavorable. The ship's head got round to south before I retired, the ship rolling much in consequence of the swell from the westward. Reading in the course of the day.

Note: From what I had heard I expected to find a south and south west wind most prevalent, running down easting, but I found it north and north west generally. Whenever the wind was from the southard the thermometer was at times as high as 5 degrees more than normal.

Sunday Dec. 7th 1823

A dull day, almost calm all day, rained in the evening (the wind got up about 11 o'clock last night and blew strong till $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 when it quite fell off). Lat. 41-32 S. Lon. 73-4 E. Ther. 60°. Divine service not performed today as the ship pitched about so much. One of our gentlemen (Mr Goodsir) just recovered from a severe cold and Mr Howard, Capt. Hibbert and our Captain (Rennoldson) very bad with severe colds. Mr H. and Capt. R. obliged to keep their beds. Mrs Goodsir and son doing remarkably well. Reading in the day.

Monday Dec. 8th

A dull day, fine breeze all day, rained towards evening. No observations. Lat. accounted 75°. Ther. 60°. Reading in the day. Our Captain better today.

Tuesday Dec. 9th 1823

A fine day, but little wind in the morning, freshened as the day advanced. When I retired she was going 8 knots, stuning sails set. Lat. 41.43 S. Lon. 78-13 E. Ther. 61°. Wind north east by north almost all day. Reading in the day. Our Captain much the same as previously, Mr Howard ditto, Capt. Hibbert almost recovered.

Wednesday 10th Decr.

A fine day, fine breeze, all sails set and going 8 knots average all day. Lat. 41-40 S. Lon. 81-28 E. Ther. 60°. Reading in the day. A porpoise was harpooned today, about 6 ft. long. I saw it cut up, it resembles a pig very much about the head and internally and bled very much. The blubber produced 2 gallons of oil. The flesh of it look[ed] like beef only it was a darker red and the liver etc. resembled a pig's. I ate a piece of the liver and heart - it had hardly the smallest taste of fish. Our Captain better, Mr. H. worse.

Thursday 11th Decr.

A dull day with a little rain. Fine breeze north east by north all day, studding sails set and going 8 knots average all day. The breeze freshened towards evening, took in studding sails. It got clear and was fine when I retired to bed. Lat. 42-00 S. Lon. 85-50 E. Ther. 61°. Reading in the day. Our Captain better. Mr H. the same not any better. N.B. It blew very hard about 12 o'clock

Friday Decr. 12th

A dull day. Fine breeze all day, going average 8 knots. Lat. 41-56 S. Lon. 89-50 E. Ther. 62°. Reading in the day. Our Captain recovered so much as to be able to get about. Mr Howard much the same. Unwell myself all day.

Saturday Decr. 13th

A dull day. Fine breeze all day, freshened towards evening. Blew very hard (when I retired to bed) with a heavy sea. Lat. 42-2 S. Lon. 93-37 E. Ther. 60°. Reading in the day. Played a game of backgammon in the evening. Mr. Howard not any better. It was a stormy night.

Sunday Decr. 14th

A fine morning. Strong breeze, north west by north. Got cloudy about 12, the wind increased, the sea very heavy. Took in and reefed sails as the wind increased, by 9 o'clock, evening we were going under close reefed foresail and fore and main topsails. The night very squally with heavy rain. I staid upon deck till 12, then retired to bed. Could not sleep on account of the motion, got up again at 1 and went upon deck till 2 then retired to bed and got to sleep. Lat. 42-57 S. Lon. 97-54 E. Ther. 60°. Reading in the day. Mr Howard no better.

Monday Decr. 15th

Upon going on deck in the morning, 12 o'clock, I found it rather a fine day, the wind had abated but it still blew fresh, they had let out a reef or two. The breeze remained steady all day and the evening was fine when I retired, 10 o'clock, and they set the main top gallant sail. Lat. 42-38 S. Lon. 102-9 E. Ther. 58°. Reading in the day. Mr. Howard no better. (I reckon about a fortnight from this date we shall be at anchor in the Derwent.)

Tuesday Decr. 16th

A fine day. Fine breeze all day from the north west and by north, the sea considerably gone down - going about 7 knots average all day and night. Lat. 42-30 S. Lon. 105-24 E. Ther. 58°. Reading in the day. Mr Howard better, came upon deck today.

Wednesday Decr. 17th

A fine morning, got cloudy after 12 o'clock and rained a little at times. Fine breeze all day, going about 7 knots average. Lat. 42-40 S. Lon. 109-38 E. Ther. 56°. I awoke this morning with a sick headache therefore did not get up till late - was very unwell all day. (It blew strong in the night).

Thursday Decr. 18th

Rather a fine day. Fine breeze all day, fell off towards evening when it looked very cloudy and rained a little. Lat. 42-51 S. Lon. 113-38 E. Ther. 58°. Reading in the day. Mr Howard much the same, not upon deck today. A whale near the ship this evening.

Friday Decr. 19th

A fine day. Fine breeze all day, south west by south, going 6½ average all day. Lat. 42-25 S. Lon. 116-50 E. Ther. 58°. Reading in the day. Mr Howard upon deck today, not any better.

Saturday Decr. 20th

A fine day. Fine breeze all day from the south east ½ south, going 7½ knots average all day. Lat. 42-7 S. Lon. 120-27 E. Ther. [left blank] Reading in the day. Mr Howard upon deck today. 14 prisoners put in [petters] for getting their irons off.

Sunday Decr. 21st 1823

A dull day attended with much rain. Strong breeze from the westward all day - going 8½ knots average all day and night. Cleared up towards evening. Close reefed topsail and foresail. No observations. Long. accounted 124-43 Lat. 42-54. Ther. [blank] Mr Howard not upon deck today. It was a stormy night and the sea was heavy which caused the ship to roll much. I dressed myself and went upon deck and remained there from 11 till 2 o'clock. I got no sleep all night.

Monday Decr 22

A fine day. It blew a very hard gale all day from the westward and the sea got up tremendous high, it was squally towards evening. I retired at 12 o'clock. The wind had abated a little but the ship rolled very much in consequence of the sea being so heavy. About 12 o'clock in the morning we furled the foretopsail, consequently were going under a close reefed maintopsail and foresail. Lat. 43-14 S. Lon. 128-19 E. Ther. [blank] It was a squally night but the wind abated a little after 12 o'clock.

Tuesday Decr. 23

A fine day. Strong breeze all day from west ½ south. Heavy sea on, ship rolling much, going about 7 knots average. About 10 o'clock morning let a reef out of maintopsail, set fore ditto and mizen ditto, took in the reef again to maintopsail. Lat. 43-1 S. Lon. 132-26 E. Ther [blank]. Reading in the day. The wind abated in the course of the night.

Wednesday 24th.

Christmas Eve. A dull day. Fine light breeze in the morning, fell off as the day advanced, got quite calm towards the evening. Lat. 43-16 S. Lon. 135-56 Ther, [blank]. Reading in the day. Mr Howard much better, comes on deck regularly. (Retired to bed at ½ past 10 o'clock) Paid Mr Williams 9/6 lost at cards during the voyage.

Thursday 25th Decr. 1823

Christmas Eve [sic] A dull day. Fine breeze all day, freshened towards the evening. Took in topgallant sails and reefed the topsails. Rained about 10 o'clock evening.

Lat. 43-30 S. Lon. 138-48 E. Ther. [blank] I took the number of miles the ship had run from the Land's End from the Log today and found it was 13,566, which I think is not enough as they scarcely ever gave her enough, suppose I add 434 which I think may be nearer the thing, it makes it 14000.

Our Captain gave us a dinner today that astonished us considering we had been 5 months at sea. It consisted of the following viz:

A goose, a ham, roast leg of pork, ditto shoulder of mutton, boiled leg of mutton and caper sauce, 2 mutton pies, potatoes and porter.

2) 2 plumb puddings boiled, 2 ditto baked, rice pudding, brandy sauce, cheese etc.

As a desert plumb cake, mince pies and raisins.

And thank God we were all well to partake of it.
Went to bed 11 o'clock.

Friday 26th Decr. 1823

A very fine day, after 12 o'clock, rather dull before. Fine light breeze all day, freshened towards evening.

Lat. say 43-30 (the sun was obscured) Lon. 141-54 E. Ther. [blank]
Reading in the day. Expect to see land tomorrow.

Saturday 27th Decr.

Rather a fine day, squally with rain at times. Awoke at 4 o'clock and told that land was to be seen ahead. Looked out and saw the Mewstone. At 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ saw the Eddystone etc. Had a fine breeze which carried us nicely up the Derwent where we anchored at 7 o'clock evening off Hobart Town. Received visits from different persons connected with the Government. Was visited by the Captain and a Mr Parkes from the Eliza brig. Mr P. was introduced to Mother and I by Mr Raine - left Mr. R. at Rio Janeiro. (Did not go ashore, Father left Town for the country and to return on Monday evening, wished me to remain on board till then) We made land sooner than we expected.

Upon anchoring I sent a note to the Lt. Governor by his secretary Capt. Robinson, in a few hours afterward he sent me word that he was to arrange for me to sleep on board till my Father returned to Town. Slept on board.

Sunday 28th Decr.

Went on shore with Dr. Carter and breakfasted with Dr. Scott, Col. Surgeon, went to Church. Afterwards returned on board to dinner and slept on board.

Monday 29th Dec,

The Lt. Governor returned to Town about 3 o'clock. Dr Carter sent for to Government House, who received instructions to desire me to wait on my Father at 7 o'clock evening. Dined at the Ship Inn with Carter, Hibbert, Williams and Rennoldson Slept on board. Saw my Father in the evening, first time since I was 7 years of age.

Tuesday 30th Dec.

Went to Government House at 12 o'clock. Saw my Father, settled to become an inmate. Was introduced to Mrs Kent and family. Slept for the first time at Government House.

Memo. A day or two after we arrived the Mariner left for Batavia, Herbert Commander.

JOURNAL WHILE AT VAN DIEMANS LAND

Wednesday Dec. 31 1823 to January 2 1824

Went out walking and riding and on board occasionally.
Became an inmate of Government House. Met a party at dinner
at Government House from our ship on Friday. Was introduced
to different persons in the Colony.

3 January

Got my boxes etc. on shore. Received from my Father £8, paid
to Dr Carter £4 . 10 he lent me at Teneriffe. Gave the steward
£1 and my servant £1.

4th

Went to Church. Did not see any of my friends on board the
Sir Godfrey Webster to bid them goodbye as I was going out of
Town with my Father etc. Left letters to them to that effect.
Left Government House Hobart Town for Government Cottage, New
Norfolk, 21 miles inland.

5th Jany. Monday

At New Norfolk. The gentlemen from the Sir Godfrey dined
with the naval officer. (Should have dined with them had I
been in Town.)

6th Tuesday

At New Norfolk. The Sir Godfrey Webster got underweigh about
7 o'clock morning. They arrived at Sydney on the 17th.

7th At New Norfolk.

8th

At New Norfolk. Returned to Town in the evening. The Sir
Godfrey Webster reported to be out of sight at 7 o'clock evening.

9th to 16th

At Hobart Town etc. etc. Went to the Coal River about 20 miles
up the country and slept at the Farm of G.W. Gunning Esq. Went
to Macquarie Plains to see my Father's land and stock and slept
three nights in a tent. Rode about the country (this land I think
the finest I have seen) visiting different persons, etc. etc. etc.
Returned to Hobart Town.

17th January 1824

At Hobart Town. A ship in sight at 6 o'clock morning.

18th Sunday .

The ship still in sight making but little progress up the River.
She anchored at 6 o'clock in the evening off Hobart Town. The
Asia convict ship (Lindsay master) with 150 prisoners, 2 died
on the passage. Capt. Bishop of the 40th Regiment was on board.
She left England the time we did. She put into the Cape where
she staid 9 days.

19th Monday

At Hobart Town. A ship in sight in the morning. Anchored in the course of the day.

(On Monday the Triton (Australian Company Ship) arrived with 52 passengers and merchandize, touched at Teneriffe and the Cape. Left Leith the 7th September. Was 40 days coming from the Cape. 448 tons burthen. The Allies brig left this port on Thursday or Friday for England direct, by which I sent a letter to Mrs Sorell. Mr W. Parkes sailed in her.

20th Tuesday

Met Capt Bishop, Lt O'Shea 13 Regiment, Dr. Evans of the Asia and Mr Fletcher D.A.C.G.L., etc. etc. at Capt. Robinson at dinner.

21st Wednesday

Met the above gentlemen and several others at Government House at dinner.

22 Thursday

Met the above gentlemen etc. etc. at the Naval Officer's at dinner.

23 Jany. Friday

at Hobart Town. Dined with Dr. Scott, met Dr. Evans there.

24th Saturday

At Hobart Town.

Sunday Jany 25th

At Hobart Town. Met the gentlemen from the Asia etc. etc. at dinner at Government House.

26th Monday

At Hobart Town. Brig in sight

27th Tuesday

Brig anchored off the Town, the Asia, got underweigh for Sydney at 10 o'clock morning, out of the River in the course of the day. Letters sent by my Father to G[overnor] T. Brisbane my account. a ship in sight about 2 o'clock.

Wednesday 28th Jany.

Ship anchored at 12 o'clock, the Tees, Mr M. J. Coe commander, from Sydney (one letter of consequence) Received a Sydney Gazette of the 22 mentioning the arrival of the Sir Godfrey Webster at that place on the 17th inst.

Thursday 29th to Feby. 1st

At Hobart Town. Very squally and rainy weather.

Monday 2nd Feby.

Squally blowing weather. Sloop in sight.

+ Deputy Assistant Commissary General.

Tuesday 3 Feby.

Weather the same. Sloop but little nearer owing to the wind being so strongly against her.

Wednesday 4th

Sloop not much nearer. Ship in sight at 8 o'clock morning Bruni Island. Another sighted at 2 o'clock afternoon Storm Bay Passage. The William Shand ship anchored off the town about 5 o'clock from England with passengers. She left the Downs on the 20th October, touched and stopped a day or two at Madeira, a quick passage. The Aguilar anchored about 6 o'clock from England with passengers. She left Falmouth the 3 September, was there the 1st when we left in the Sir Godfrey Webster, a long passage, touched at the Cape, staid there a few days.

Thursday 5th

The sloop so long in sight came in today, with some troops for the 3 Regiment, or Buffs, from Sydney, Captain Innes.

Friday 6th

At Hobart Town.

Saturday 7th February

The Tees got underweigh for New Zealand early in the morning and the Mermaid sloop with some of the 48 Regiment for Sydney. Went on the top of Mount Nelson, saw the Tees out of the River, a beautiful view of the country.

Sunday 8th Feby. 1824

At Hobart Town.

Monday 9th Feby.

At Hobart Town. Very hot.

Tuesday 10th

At Hobart Town. Went on board the Aguilar, Watson commander. Very hot in the morning.

Wednesday 11th

At Hobart Town. Father etc. at New Norfolk, went yesterday afternoon, returned this afternoon. Sailing.

Thursday 12th

At Hobart Town.

Friday 13th

At Hobart Town.

Saturday 14th

At Hobart Town.

Sunday Feby. 15th 1824

The Belinda brig for Sydney got underweigh about 9 o'clock morning, was reported out of the River 7 o'clock evening. A ship in sight at 6 o'clock morning. Anchored in the River in the afternoon - The Urania from China for Lima, put in to stop a leak.

Monday 16th

The Urania got out of the River this day (she was laden with rice)

Tuesday 17th

Subpoened to attend trial of J. Benjamin for felony, a man that came in the Sir Godfrey Webster, was acquitted.

Wednesday 18th

The Triton got underweigh this morning at 6 o'clock for Sydney, reported out of sight 4 o'clock afternoon.

Thursday 19th

At Hobart Town.

Friday Feby. 20th

At Hobart Town. The 'Sorell'⁺ Schooner arrived from Macquarie Harbour.

Saturday 21st to Monday 23 d.

Started off on Saturday with Father etc. to the Coal River (David Lord Esq.) slept there. Started in the morning to Pitt Water (to J. Gordon Esq. jr.). Breakfasted there. Left then for the Coal River again. Slept again at David Lord's. Started after breakfast and lunched at G.W. Gunning Esq. at the Coal River and arrived at Austin's Ferry at 6 o'clock, took water there and arrived at Hobart Town at 9 o'clock.

The weather was fine. I passed over a most beautiful country I think Pitt Water the best part of the country I 've yet seen, Sorell township is a beautiful spot. Father named the town at the Coal River 'Richmond'. Most of the gentlemen of that district met us there. Upon the whole it was a most delightful journey. I got up early in the morning and went out shooting.

Tuesday Feby. 24th

At Hobart Town. The Woodlark brig from Sydney anchored here this day after 16 days passage.

Wednesday Feby 25th

Started off to Pitwater (Jas. Gordon Esq.) at 3 o'clock, slept there.

Thursday 26th

Pittwater, shooting. Jas. Gordon Esq., David Lord Esq. and Deputy Commissary General Moodie. Went to Coal River, Mr Lord Esq. The William Shand went off today to Sydney and Batavia

Friday 27th and Saturday 28th

At Coal River shooting.

Sunday 29th

Left David Lord Esq. Coal River about 11 o'clock. Arrived in Town at 5 o'clock evening. All well. No arrivals.

Monday March 1st 1824

At Hobart Town

+ Governor Sorrell

Tuesday March 2 d 1824

At Hobart Town. Went to Newton.

Wednesday 3

Went off in the afternoon to New Norfolk. Found all well. Ship in sight, could not get into the River owing to the strong land wind.

Thursday 4th

Started off from New Norfolk and arrived in Town 4 o'clock, all well. Ship anchored in River, the Jupiter from Sydney for India, put in in stress of weather.

Friday 5th and Saturday 6th

At Hobart Town.

Sunday 7th

At Hobart Town.

Monday 8th

At Hobart Town. Sailed the Ann (brig) for Port Dalrymple.

Tuesday March 9th

At Hobart Town

Wednesday 10th

At Hobart Town.

Thursday 11th

Went in the afternoon to New Norfolk. The Jupiter left the river.

Friday 12th

Left New Norfolk at 2½ o'clock and arrived at Hobart Town at ½ past 5

Saturday 13th

About 4 o'clock afternoon a brig was in sight from Mount Nelson and a short time after was to be seen from the Battery (Could not be seen before, the weather was so hazy). She had a strong fair wind to bring her in. The brig Amboyna from India with tea etc. Anchored about 6 o'clock.

Sunday March 14th 1824

At Hobart Town.

Monday 15th March

At Hobart Town. At 9 o'clock morning a signal was made from Mount Nelson that they could see a ship and that she had a strong fair wind and was coming in fast. Some time afterwards they made the signal '42' (a person of consequence on board). This put our house in an uproar as we naturally concluded it was the new Lt. Governor, Col. Arthur, in the Adrian. However she proved to be the Hibernia with J. L. Pedder Esq. and wife, the Judge of the Supreme Court of V.D.L., and Mr Gillebrand and wife, Attorney General of V.D.L. and Mr Bannister, Attorney General, and Mr Balcom Colonial Treasurer for New South Wales, etc. etc. on board. She sailed from England on the [day left blank] December 1823 and put into the Cape.

She brought word that the Adrian on the 3 November put back into Falmouth having, in a heavy gale lost her bowsprit and foremast, passengers landed out of a Plymouth Pilot Boat, all well. She was to touch at Madeira to take up Col. Arthur, who was there, and to go into the Cape. (I suppose she will arrive here about the 7th July.)

On the 31st December she spoke the Eagle of Scarbro [Scarborough] for Liverpool from Rio Janeira, left there the Guildford under repairs. She put back from the vicinity of the Cape having suffered much in a storm, she was to sail from Rio the 1st January.

Memo. the Guildford started from Teneriffe the day we did and we arrived on the 28th December (see 28). We considered her a better sailing ship than ours and thought she would be at New South Wales before we got to Van Dieman's Land. (How uncertain anything in this world.)

(We had a very good Boat Race today for a dinner for 12 gentlemen etc to which I'm invited - between the Naval Officer and the Captain of the Aguilar which was won by the former see 20th)⁺

Tuesday 16th

At Hobart Town. The Honourable the Judge of the Supreme Court landed at 12 o'clock under a salute from the Battery of 13 guns and was introduced by my Father to all the officers of the Colony at Government House.

They spoke of strange alterations in the management of the Colony but not a syllable of its corespondence.

Wednesday March 17th 1824

at Hobart Town. Father etc. afternoon at New Norfolk.

Thursday 18th

At Hobart Town. Father etc. returned from New Norfolk in the afternoon, all well. Dined out in the evening with the Revd. R. Knopwood.

Friday 19th

At Hobart Town.

Saturday 20th

At Hobart Town. Dined at the Ship Inn. Boat Race etc.

Sunday 21st

Started off to New Norfolk about 3 o'clock, arrived there 6 o'clock evening, found all well

⁺ inserted afterwards at foot of page below Tuesday 16th.

Monday 22 d.

Returned to Hobart Town in the afternoon.

Tuesday 23 March

At Hobart Town. A Boat Race today like the 2 former boat [races] (was won by Capt. Watson's boat). I betted on the winner, the bets were made over the dinner on Saturday evening and amounted to £47, which was agreed to be spent on another dinner to take place on Thursday evening next. What makes the amount so large for 12 persons was because Dr. Bromley's Boat lost and the odds in some cases 3 to 1 was laid on his boat.

Wednesday 24th

At Hobart Town.

Thursday 25th

At Hobart Town. Dined at the Ship Inn (Boat Race Dinner) 18 persons sat down to table.

Friday March 26th 1824

At Hobart Town. The Aguilar Watson, got underweigh at 8 o'clock this morning for Singapore via Port Dalrymple and Sydney. She was obliged to anchor in the River, the wind soon after blowing in from the sea. Went off again on Wednesday.

Saturday 27th

At Hobart Town. Dined on board the Hibernia, Gillies, met a large party, bid them all farewell; Mr Balcomb, Colonial Collector and family, N.S.W., Mr Bannister, Attorney General, N.S.W. and two sisters, etc. The Hibernia is a very fine ship.

Sunday 28th

At Hobart Town. The Hibernia got underweigh at 8 o'clock morning for Sydney, to return here as soon as possible, as per agreement to take my Father and family to England. Father etc., set off for New Norfolk.

Monday 29th

At Hobart Town. The Hibernia reported to be out of sight at 9 o'clock morning. Father etc. returned from New Norfolk by 4 o'clock, all well.

Tuesday 30th

At Hobart Town.

Wednesday 31st

At Hobart Town. The Aguilar reported to be out of the River at 9 o'clock morning. The Charter for the Supreme Court was read at Government House before all the principal officers of the Colony etc. at the Market Place by the Provost Marshall.

Thursday April 1st

At Hobart Town. A ship in sight at 7 o'clock morning, anchored in the River in sight in the evening - the Triton from Sydney with troops - with letters etc from Sydney concerning me (not much good).

Friday April 2
At Hobart Town

Saturday 3
At Hobart Town

Sunday 4th April
The Amboyne brig for Sydney got underweigh at 6 o'clock this morning and the Woodlark brig for England at 8 o'clock. They both got out of the River in the course of the day. I sent letters by both. Letter to England.

Monday 5th
At Hobart Town.

Tuesday 6th
At Hobart Town. The Buffs disembarked from the Triton.

Wednesday 7th
At Hobart Town. Signal made at 6 o'clock morning: a cutter in sight, another made a little after, a ship, the cutter Mermaid from Sydney, anchored about 4 o'clock. She brought letters from Sydney (I received one from my friend Goodsir). The ship was reported to be got into the River, the last signal that was made. A gentleman that had been upon Mount Nelson told us he had seen two ships but only one was signalised - must have been a mistake [written over previous sentence]

The 48th embarked on board the Triton this morning 6 o'clock, my friend Lewis took leave of me in the afternoon.

Thursday 8th
At Hobart Town. The signals made as above were wrong - the person at the Port made a mistake, it was his first time of doing it. There was only 1 vessel, a brig, which anchored about 4 o'clock afternoon, the Perseverance from the Mauritius. Hot day. [written at side]

Friday 9th
At Hobart Town. This day is the anniversary of my Father entering upon the Government of Van Diemen's Land, making a period of 7 years. Met a party at dinner at Government House, A.W.H. Humphrey on the occasion

Saturday 10th.
At Hobart Town. A signal made at 6 o'clock morning a ship in sight, anchored about 3 o'clock, the Hope from England and the Cape. Left England the 20th September, stopt a long time at the Cape, could not proceed till repaired, was 50 days from the Cape to this Port. The Adrian had not been at the Cape when she left 19th February.

Sunday 11th
At Hobart Town. The Mermaid cutter sailed for Sydney at 9 o'clock morning. Father etc. started off for New Norfolk at 3 o'clock afternoon.

Monday 12th

At Hobart Town. Father etc. returned from New Norfolk in the afternoon.

Tuesday 13th

At Hobart Town.

Wednesday 14th

At Hobart Town.

Thursday 15th

At Hobart Town. At 5 o'clock morning the Waterloo, Government vessel, arrived from Macquarie Harbour bringing the remains of Lt. Cuthbertson, the late commandant of that place. At 6 o'clock the Heroine ship anchored, from England via Cape with settlers etc. At 7 o'clock. The Amity brig anchored from Scotland with settlers etc. These three vessels past a ship a little way down the River that must have got in in the night unobserved by the Pilot who is stationed lower down the River. The Pilot after bringing up the 2 other ships went after her. She anchored about 10 o'clock. The Brothers from England with female convicts etc. 2 persons died on the passage on board the Brothers - the remains of one (Mr Butler who came out as Registrar of the Supreme Court) was brought in to be interred.

Neither of the ships nor the brig was in sight yesterday at sunset, they all came in without being signalized, they must have had a most favorable wind from the land. They fancy they saw the Government vessel, Waterloo, coming in and following her, such a thing I suppose never happened at this Port before.

Friday 16th April

At Hobart Town. Good Friday.

Saturday 17th

Started off at 3 o'clock to New Norfolk with my Father etc., arrived at 6 o'clock.

Sunday 18th

At New Norfolk.

Monday 19th

Started from New Norfolk $\frac{1}{2}$ past 10 and arrived at Hobart Town $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 o'clock. Very hot day. The remains of Lieut. Cuthbertson were interred this day with military honors at 4 o'clock, all the principal officers of the Colony followed him.

Tuesday 20th April 1824

At Hobart Town. This day it was settled that I should have the appointment of Registrar of the Supreme Court vacant by the death of Mr Butler, the gentleman appointed at home by Earl Bathurst (see 15 April).

Wednesday 21st April

At Hobart Town

Thursday 22

At Hobart Town. Father etc. set off to New Norfolk.

Friday 23

At Hobart Town. Father etc. returned evening. The Perseverance sailed this morning 8 o'clock for Sydney. The King's Birthday.

Saturday 24th

At Hobart Town. Writing in my Father's office, Mr Abbott Registrar.

Sunday 25th April

At Hobart Town. The Brothers sailed at 8 o'clock morning for Sydney. Mr Abbott's etc. correspondence sent by this vessel.

Monday 26th

At Hobart Town

Tuesday 27th

At Hobart Town. Received a letter from Mr Warrington presented by F. F. Margetts Esq. per ship Hope

Wednesday 28th

At Hobart Town. Had an interview with the Chief Justice. Good.

Thursday 29th

At Hobart Town.

Friday 30th

At Hobart Town. Father etc. left Town for New Norfolk.

Saturday May 1st.

At Hobart Town. Wrote to Mr Rose [note next to this entry 'wrong'] Dined with Mr Atkinson, met Mr Simpson.

Sunday May 2

At Hobart Town. Father etc. returned, all well.

Monday May 3

At Hobart Town. I called on the Chief Justice.

Tuesday 4th

At Hobart Town. The Jupiter brig sailed 8 o'clock morning for India via Port Jackson. Wrote to Good^Sir. Dined with A. C. General Moodie.

Wednesday 5th

At Hobart Town.

Thursday 6th

Out shooting all day with C. General Moodie, dined with him afterwards. Vessel signalled in the evening.

Friday 7th

Vessel signalized yesterday got up this day, the Ardent ship from Ireland with 52 passengers. The Adrian was at Madeira on the 1st January.

Saturday 8th

At Hobart Town. Had an interview with the Chief Justice. Received the warrant of appointment to the office of Registrar.

Sunday May 9th

At Hobart Town. Dined with the Honorable Chief Justice Pedder.

Monday May 10th

Breakfasted with the Chief Justice. Attended the opening of the Honorable the Supreme Court of V.D.L. Read aloud the Royak Charter etc., took the oaths of office as Registrar, administered oaths to solicitors etc.

A signal was made about 1 o'clock, at 2 signal made was a ship in or off Storm Bay Passage. There was scarcely any wind and we did not in the course of the day get another signal.

Tuesday May 11th

In the morning at 9 o'clock we learnt that there was a person of consequence on board. She did not get up the River in the course of the day, there was scarcely any wind. I slept this night at Dr Margett's, attended at office etc.

Wednesday 12th

The ship noticed yesterday came to anchor about 10 o'clock, the Adrian, Col. Arthur my Father's successor on board with his family etc. The Adrian left England the 3 December, touched at Madeira and the Cape where she staid 4 days. When off the Island of St. Pauls the ship's boat was upset coming from the Island and 3 gentlemen drowned, among them was Mr Worsley a brother-in-law of Col. Arthur's and who was to have been his secretary.

We all left Government House this morning, Col. Arthur and family came on shore and took possession at 1 o'clock. I again slept at Dr. Margett's. I dined with the Attorney General. At business from 10 till 3.

Thursday 13th

At business from 10 till 2. Slept again at Dr. Margett's.

Friday 14th

At business from 10 - 2. At Dr. Margett's. Col. Arthur was sworn into office by my Father at Government House, attended by all the officers of the Colony.

Saturday 15th May

At business from 12 till 2. My Father left Town for New Norfolk at 1 o'clock. I left Town for ditto at 4 o'clock, arrived there at 7.

Sunday 16th

Left New Norfolk at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, arrived in Town at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 6.

Monday 17th

At business. Dined with Bob Knopwood.

Tuesday 18th

At business.

Wednesday 19th

At business. Dined with the Revd. Mr Bedford.

The Hope and Anity sailed for Sydney on Tuesday and the Heroine for the Mauritius on Wednesday.

Thursday 20th May

The Court opened today again. The question relative to counties argued at great length. Mr Murray addressed the Court at some length for a criminal prosecution (see Gazette a week or two back). Adjourned till Monday. The Attorney General's Commission not yet arrived from Sydney. Had an interview with the Lt. Governor.

Friday 21st

At business. Had an interview with the Lt. Governor. The Mermaid cutter arrived from Sydney with despatches, she brought the Attorney General's Commission.

I received a letter from Boyes. Dined with Mr Dawes.

Saturday 22 d.

At business. Set off for New Norfolk at 3 o'clock, arrived at six, all well. The Lt. Governor settled my salary today. £400 and provide myself with staff.

Sunday 23 d May 1824

Left New Norfolk at 2 o'clock, arrived in Town by 5.

Monday 24th

The Supreme Court of Van Diemen's [Land] commended its functions. William Tibbs was tried this day for manslaughter and found guilty. Dined with Mr Dawes. In Court till 7 o'clock evening.

Tuesday 25th

At business. 2 or 3 persons tried today. In court till 7 o'clock evening.

Wednesday 26th

At business, in Court. Dined with the Revd. R. Knopwood.

Thursday 27th May

At business, in Court. A ship in sight in the morning, wind strong down the River, ship made but little way up. Dined with Captain Innes and the officers at the Barracks.

Friday 28th

At business, in Court. Ship arrived from Sydney, she could make but little way, it blew a gale down the River. My Father etc. came to Town. I dined with him.

Saturday 29th

At business, in court. The ship beat up the River and anchored about 4 miles down about 3 o'clock. It blew so hard that no person could leave the ship. The Pilot Boat brought the despatches on shore - The Guildford. No satisfactory account of the Registrarship. I received no letters. Dined with my Father.

Sunday 30th May 1824

My Father was in Town, I was with him all day. The Guildford got up about 3 o'clock, Captain Johnson and Dr. Evans came on shore. My Father and Captain Johnson arranged that the Guildford should sail on the 14th June, this day senight [sic]

Monday 31st May

At business, from 9 morning till 7 evening. Father left Town at 2 o'clock.

Tuesday June 1st

At business from 9 morning till 7 evening.

Wednesday June 2

At business from 9 morning till 8 evening. A vessel in sight about 2 o'clock. The Mermaid cutter sailed this day, wrote to Boyes.

Thursday June 3

At business from 9 morning till 7 evening. The vessel signalized yesterday anchored at 8 o'clock, this morning, the Governor Philips, [sic] (brig) from the Isle Of France, laden with sugar.

Friday June 4th

At business from 9 morning till 6 evening. Gloves 5/-, ditto 8 - 0, see 15 June

Saturday June 5th

Court did not sit today. Went on board the Guildford, very good accommodation.

Started off with my Father etc. for New Norfolk at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 o'clock. Mr Finlay a gentleman appointed as my clerk commenced operations this day, Saturday, £130 per annum.

Sunday June 6th 1824

Arrived in Town about $\frac{1}{2}$ past 4 from New Norfolk. Dined with Bromley

+ ie Mauritius

Monday June 7th

At business from 9 morning till 7 evening. Father etc. returned to town.

Tuesday 8th

At business.

Wednesday 9

At business.

Thursday 10th

At business.

Friday 11th

At business.

Saturday 12th

Holiday. My Father etc. went on board the Guildford. All the principal persons of the Colony with the Lt. Governor accompanied him to the shore and bid him farewell. I went on board with him and dined on board.

Sunday 13th

I went on board about 10 o'clock, the ship got underweigh about 1 o'clock. I went down the River a few miles, I bid them all farewell and left the ship about $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 with Dr. Bromley and Capt. Robinson. I sent letters to England by the ship. Dined with Moody.

Monday 14th

At business from 9 till 7. The Guildford reported out of sight about 4 o'clock afternoon. Mrs Abbott returned with the Harbour Master, would not go. Father etc. wrote me a letter by the Harbour Master. A ship signalized to be in sight about 3 o'clock.

Tuesday 15th

At business. A ship was signalized early in the morning, which came to an anchor about 1 o'clock, the Alfred from England with merchandize and passengers, no letters. Darcy Wentworth was on board. She was 4 months and 1 day from England. The Alfred brought the service of plate out voted by the colonists by [sic] my Father.

A brig anchored in the cove about 4 o'clock, The Snipe, from Calcutta bound to South America, sprang a leak. The brig did not see a ship in Storm Bay nor in the River, consequently there must have been some mistake as a ship was signalized after the Alfred had anchored and before the brig was signalised which we supposed was the Guildford put back as the wind blew very hard contrary.

Received of Dr. Bromley £25, a loan.

Wednesday 16th June

At business from 9 till 9. Dined with Dr. Hood, met Wentworth.

Thursday 17th

At business. Dined with the Attorney General met Wentworth, etc.

Friday 18th

No Court. Out shooting with the officers. Dined with Capt. Innes etc. in the evening.

Saturday 19th

No Court. Out shooting with the Chief Justice and officers.

Purchased coat	-	£7 . 0
silk undershirt		1 . 0
black hat		3
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		£11.0

Sunday 20th

At Hobart Town. Dined with Dr. Bromley.

Monday June 21st - 24

At business from 9 till 5

Tuesday June 22 d

At business from 9 till 4½. Paid Clark for books £6 . 0 . 0
Dined with Knopwood.

Wednesday 23

At business from 9 till 5.

Thursday 24th

At business from 9 till 6½.

Friday 25th

At business from 9 till 3.

Bought red tape 7/- Dined with Dr. Bromley. The Governor had a small party for the first time.

Bushrangers - 14 taken.

Saturday 26th

At business from 9 till 3. Father's business. Wentworth.

Sunday 27th

At Hobart Town. Rained almost all day. Dined with Major Marlay at the Barracks.

Monday 28th

At business from 9 till 3. The Snipe (brig) sailed for Valparaiso..

Tuesday 29th

At business from 9 till 8.

Wednesday 30th June

At business from 9 till 5. Received from Jennings & Co. a pair of trousers - £2.12.6. Dined with Dr. Bromley.

Thursday July 1st

At business from 9 till 4. A vessel signalized almost off Bruni about 2 o'clock. Dined with Wylde Esq.

Friday July 2 d. 1824

The ship anchored near the Town, the Prince Regent from England with merchandize and passengers. She left England in January, touched at Bahia in South America. Among other passengers she brought out Mr Hone Master in Chancery for Van Diemen's Land, Mr Carter ditto for New South Wales and Mr Stephen, Solicitor General for New South Wales, Mr Abel.

At business from 9 till 4. Received from Jennings & Co. 1 pair of trousers repaired.

Saturday 3 July

At business from 9 till 2.

Sunday 4th July

[No entry]

Monday July 5th

At business from 9 till 4. Dined with Hood. Criminal session closed.

Tuesday 6th

At business from 9 till 3. Dined with Atkinson etc.

Wednesday 7th

At business from 9 till 3. Civil term commenced. Dined with the Chief Justice etc.

Thursday 8th

At business from 9 till 3.

Friday July 9th

At business from 9 till 3. The Alfred sailed for Sydney, wrote to Boyes and Goodsir. Memo. Wentworth business, secretary. Dined with Moody.

Saturday July 10th

At business from 9 till 2. The Mermaid cutter arrived from Sydney. No letter or any intelligence of the Registrarship (see July 19th, W.S.). Dined with Bromley. soap 4/-
In a private letter from a friend of mine at Sydney to another here the Registrarship is stated to be confirmed to me.

Sunday July 11th

At Hobart Town.

Monday July 12th

At business. A party. Hair cutting 5/-

Tuesday July 13th

At business. Drank tea at Mrs Davies.

† Hone, Joseph (1784-1861); Stephen, John (1771-1833)

Wednesday 14th

At business. Dined with Chief Justice Pedder etc.

Thursday July 15th

At business for a short time. Went out shooting with Christie and Fletcher. Dined with Bromley.

Friday July 16th

At business from 9 till 4. Tea with Capt. and Mrs Cotton etc.

Saturday July 17th

At business from 9 till 4.

On Friday my office was broken up between the hours of 5 and 8 in the evening. The thieves took two large boxes out, which were found by the water side (nearly a quarter of a mile from the office), they broke these open and took a cash box out which contained but 10/- and which was found in the Church Yard the lock not disturbed, so the rogues were disappointed.

Sunday July 18th

At Hobart Town. A ship signalized about 12 o'clock between Cape Pillar and Bruni Island, the wind blew strong down the River all day.

Monday July 19th

At business from 9 till 2. I received a letter from Col. Arthur today informing me of my confirmation to the office of Registrar, by the Governor in Chief.

Jane & Pearce & Co. Dined with Fletcher etc. Gloves 5/-, sundries 11/6, silk 9/-

Tuesday July 20th

At business from 9. till 2. Received salary up to the 30th June £55 . 17 . 6 sterling. Dined with Bromley. The ship signalized today to be a ship from England with prisoners, could not get up.

Wednesday July 21st

At business. The ship could not get up today owing to contrary winds. Dined with the Attorney General. Kimberly ?

Thursday July 22 d.

Breakfasted with the Chief Justice at business. The ship anchored this day off Hobart Town, the Phoenix from London with 200 male prisoners on board after a passage of 3½ months, touched at Teneriffe. Received a letter from the Secretary's office directed to my Father per Phoenix . Dined with Knopwood. 4 bushrangers and 1 sheep stealer were executed this day.

Friday July 23 d.

At business. A vessel signalised the first thing in the morning, came to anchor about 3 o'clock afternoon. The Minerva brig from Sydney. No letters.

Saturday July 24th 1824

At business.

Paid Mrs Gordon for boots and washing up to 31 July	£ 11 . 5 . 0
Paid Mrs Margetts board etc from May 10 to June 28, 7 weeks.	18 . 0 . 0
Bought gold chain	<u>4 . 0 . 0</u>
	£33 . 5 . 0

Received from Champion & Co. a box directed for my Father containing some newspapers, 2 or 3 views and 2 letters, likewise 2 letters and 2 small parcels directed to Mr. Charles Abbott.

Sunday 25th

At Hobart Town. Dined with Atkinson.

Monday 26th

At business.

Bought a coat (dress)	£ 6 . 0 . 0
2 stocks	10 . 0

A ship signalized about 3 o'clock afternoon.

Tuesday July 27th

At business. Two ships anchored together today - the Lang with passengers and merchandize etc., and the Chapman with male prisoners, both had a good passage. No letters for me, one for my Father. Dined with Cartright and Ross.

Wednesday July 28th

At business. Received from Frazer a shooting coat and waistcoat	£ 4 . 10 . 6
Received from Champion & Co. dressing case	1 . 15 . 6
Bought a pair of spurs	7

Thursday July 29th

At business. Bought a pair of slippers 8s.0

Friday July 30th

At business. Dined with Bromley, a large party.

Saturday July 31 1824

With Capt. Robinson all day. The Phoenix sailed for Sydney. the Prince Regent sailed for Sydney - Robinson went in her. I sent by him to be forwarded to England soon as possible, 3 letters received for my Father, one of my own for him and one for Mrs L. M. Sorell.

Bought 2 pair of gloves	£ 10 . 0
Powder flask	6 . 0
Bought a brace of pistols	3 . 10

Sunday August 1st

At Hobart Town. Dined with Fletcher etc.

Monday 2 August

At business. Dined with Moody etc. Received of Bromley
£25 to return September 30th.

Tuesday Augt 3 d.

At business. Dined with Mason. Bought writing desk £4 . 5 . 0.
Received of Mr Atkinson 2 pair Irish cloth 12 . 15 . 0

Wednesday Augt 4th

At business. Dined with Bromley etc. Bought sundry things
to furnish dressing case £1 . 10 . 0.

Thursday Augt. 5th

At business. Bought 6 collars 10/6

Friday Augt. 6th

At business.

Bought a snaffle bridle	1 . 5 . 6
Gave hostler	10 . 0

Received of A. Patterson a horse, gave him a bill at 3 months
for £50 currency for him, payable 9th November.

To start off for Launceston tomorrow.

Saturday August 7th 1824

Breakfasted with Chief Justice Pedder, set off about 9 o'clock
with him for Launceston, got to Jericho, 41 miles, 6 o'clock,
slept there.

Sunday Augt. 8th

Left Jericho after breakfast, 8 o'clock, arrived at the
Government Hut Elizabeth River, 39½ miles, 6 o'clock, slept there.

Monday Augt. 9th

Started off at 7 o'clock morning, stopped and breakfasted at
Mr Wilkes, 7 miles further, arrived at Launceston 'all right'
at 6 o'clock, 41½ miles. Dined with Capt. Lockyer, slept at
lodging provided for us by Government.

Tuesday Augt. 10th

opened the Court, adjourned till tomorrow. dined at our
lodging.

Wednesday 11th

At business from 10 till 4.

Thursday Augt. 12

At business from 10 till 5½. Dined with the commandant.

Friday Augt. 13th

At business from 10 till 5. Dined with Mulgrave, met the
Court.

Saturday 14th

At business from 10 till 4. Dined with the County Club.

Sunday 15th

Heard Mr Youl preach.

Monday 16th

At business from 10 till 4. Dined with Lockyer. Wrote to Bromley, Fletcher, Mason and Margetts. Received letter from Fletcher and family and one from Goodsir through Fletcher.

Tuesday 17

At business from 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ till 2. Lent Mr Pedder £1. Dined with Lawrence.

Wednesday Augt. 18 1824

At business from 10 till 5.

Thursday 19th Augt.

At business from 10 till 6 $\frac{1}{2}$. Dined with Mulgrave.

Friday 20th

At business from 9 till 3.

Saturday 21st

At business from 10 till 12. Session closed. 36 prisoners tried. Dined with Mulgrave.

Sunday 22

Set off about 12 o'clock for Hobart Town. Slept at Dr. Hughes Punt South Esk River - 12 miles.

Monday 23 d.

Started off at 10 o'clock morning, slept at Willis Salt Pan Plain - 24 miles.

Tuesday 24th

Started off at 11 o'clock, slept at Moss Bridge - 14 miles, rained much today.

Wednesday 25th

Started off at 10 o'clock morning, slept at the Grove Inn, Jericho - 30 miles. Rained much today.

Thursday 26th

Started off at 6 o'clock morning, arrived 'all right' at Hobart about 6 o'clock. Dined with the Judge. Horse at Stodart's.

Friday 27th

At business etc. Dined with Bromley. Horse at Stodart's

Saturday 28th

at business. Horse at Atkinson's

Sunday 29th August 1824

Dined with Bromley.

Monday 30th Augt.

At business. Dined with the Judge.
Paid forage for horse, etc. £1 . 10 . 0

Tuesday 31 Augt.

At business.

Wednesday Sept. 1st.

At business. Dined with Moodie. Received salary £2 . 5 . 0

Per stalling for horse etc. £1 . 10 . 0. Gave ostler 10 . 0

Thursday 2 d.

At business. Paid for seal of the Supreme Court £2 . 10 . 0.
The Denmark Hill arrived from England with merchandize etc.
Sailed from England 14 April.

Friday 3 Sept.

At business. Received a Pointer Dog from Gordon, gave man 10 . 0
The Ardent sailed for Sydney - wrote to Robinson and my Father.

Saturday 4th Sept.

At business. Received from Broadville hay, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton £4 . 0 . 0
oats 2 . 4 . 0
6 . 4 . 0

See 8th.

Sunday 5th

Dined with Major Marlay.

Monday 6th

At business. Received from Atkinson dress twill,
10 yards, 3/6, £1 . 15 . 0

Tuesday 7th

Out shooting with Fletcher.

Bought bottle of ink 1 . 6
2 rulers & file 5 . 0
horse brush etc. 5 . 6

Wednesday 8th

At business from 10 till 2.
Paid Broadville for hay etc. £7 . 18 . 0
Horse at the Judge's.

Bought on Monday from Williamson $2\frac{1}{2}$ gr. quills
(10/-) £1 . 7 . 6

Thursday 9th September 1824

At business 10 till 2. Wrote to Mulgrave and Gordon.
Dined with Major Marlay and met Capt. Montague.

Friday 10th Augt. [sic]

At business 10 till 2

Saturday 11th

At business 10 till 2. Dined with the Judge.

Sunday 12th

Dined with Mr Atkinson.

Monday 13th

At business 10 till 2. Dined with Mr Ross

Tuesday 14th

Started off at 10 o'clock for New Norfolk with Mr Christie to Capt. Innes, slept at Government House.

Wednesday 15th

Started off from New Norfolk at 8 o'clock, arrived in Town 1/4 before 11. At business till 1. Dined with Rev. Mr Knopwood. Bought stuff for lining etc of trousers 15/

Thursday 16th

At business from 10 till 2. Dined with His Honor the Chief Justice. Bought sealing wax 3 s. 0

Friday 17th

At business from 10 till 2. Received from Langford 2 reams of foolscap paper 3/10/-.

Saturday 18th

At business from 10 till 2.

Sunday 19th Sept.

Vessel signalized, a ship.

Monday 20th Sept.

At business from 10 till 2. Dinner party at Dr. Margetts. The ship signalized yesterday anchored in the River, the Chapman from Sydney on her way to Batavia, put in through stress of weather.

Tuesday 21st Sept.

At business from 10 till 2. Dined with His Honor the Judge, (a large party). The Chapman left the River.

Wednesday 22d Sept.

At business from 10 till 2. The Denmark Hill sailed for Sydney, wrote to Robinson and my Father.

Thursday 23d

At business from 10 till 2. Started off with Mr Patterson to the Coal River (to shoot) arrived at Mr Gunning at 9 o'clock, slept there.

Friday 24th

Shooting all day about the Farm of Gunning River etc. Slept at Gunning

Saturday 25th Sept. 1824.

Left Mr Gunning at 9 o'clock. Shot Mr Patterson's Farm (good sport) arrived at Hobart Town at 1/2 past 6 o'clock

Sunday 26th Sept.

Dined with Fletcher. Sober

Monday 27th

At business from 10 till 2.

Making trousers, paid, 10s Od.

Memo. of Fletcher £2 Making trousers 10 - 0

Tuesday 28th

At business from 10 till 2.

Wednesday 29th

At business from 10 till 2. Dined with Bromley. Scott's business continued.

Thursday Sept. 30th 1824

At business from 10 till 2. Dined with Bedford, parson.
Court did not open (14 days)

Friday Oct. 1.

At business from 10 till 2. Writing letters, tidying,
2 o'clock till 5.

Saturday Oct 2 nd

At business from 10 till 2. Dined with Fletcher and Crockett.
Scott's business finished (good). Received from Atkinson
2boot stands 1/10.

Sunday Oct 3 d.

Dined with Hood. Went to hear the Rev. Mr MacArthur in the evening. The Portland sailed for Sydney. Wrote to Robinson and my Father.

Monday Oct. 4th

From this date I mean to state how I passed my day. At business from 10 till 2. A ship signalized in the morning, anchored about 2 o'clock. The Prince Regent (Barke) from Sydney, letter from Robinson, ditto and oranges from Boyes. The Portland signalized out of sight about 9 o'clock morning. Walking in the afternoon. Dined at home evening - a party.

[Memoranda noted at foot of page below above entry:]

Grants of land - Hobart Town Gazette. Almorah to Batavia. Legislative Council. Wentworth etc.

Tuesday Oct. 5th

At business from 10 till 2. Walking in the afternoon. At the Hospital to Fletcher in the evening.

Bought gloves E 9 . Od

Paid note on hand 1 13 0

Wednesday Oct. 6th

At business from 10 till 2. Rode to New Town to look at Captain Reid's⁺ house - took it (with Fletcher) for two years. the house, garden etc. etc. with 50 acres of land at £100 per annum. To the barracks in the evening.

Thursday Oct. 7th

At business from 10 till 2. Riding out to house at New Town in afternoon. Reading etc in evening till 12 o'clock.

Friday Oct. 8th

At business from 10 till 2. Walking about to sundry shops. To tea with Lamb. Report of Commission of Enquiry on Bromley business sent in Report. Received from Langford transference 28/-

Saturday Oct. 9th

At business from 10 till 2. Rode out to house in afternoon. Took possession. Fletcher's servant slept there. Dined with Fletcher at Hospital. Received 1 bushel barley from Fletcher.

Sunday Oct. 10th

To church morning. Walking afternoon. Writing Boyes evening. Col. Cameron arrived in Town from Port Dalrymple this evening.

Monday Oct. 11th

Packing up in the house. At business from 10 till 2. Walking with Fletcher till 5 o'clock, dined with him at the Hospital. Walked out to New Town with him afterwards, left him there. Tea with Crockett.

Received from Langford 1 pair blanket 25/-
Bought washhand basin etc. 5/-
hair brush 5/10

I heard this morning that Bromley was suspended as naval officer and treasurer. I saw Hamilton a short time afterwards who told me he was appointed to succeed him.

Tuesday Oct. 12th

At business.

Wednesday Oct. 13th

At business.

Thursday 14th

At business. So busy the last three days I neglected to fill up what occurred. Called on Col. Cameron.

Friday Oct. 15th

To New Town to breakfast. At business from 10 till 3. Walking with Fletcher in afternoon. Dined with Moodie, met Col. Cameron, Major Marlay Major **Bater**, Capt. Innes. Col. Cameron returned our call.

Gazette of today Bromley's suspension, Hamilton's appointment.

+ Read, Capt. George Frederick

Saturday 16th

At business 10 till 3. Walking with Fletcher afternoon.

Bought loaf sugar	11 . 6
cheese	10 . 0
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	1 . 1 . 6

At home.

Sunday 17th Oct. 1824

at Hobart Town all day.

Monday 18th Oct.

At business from 10 till 2. Walking with Fletcher in afternoon.
Dined with Cartwright and Ross. Met the gentlemen of the law.
Left Dr. Margett's.

Tuesday 19th

At business from 10 till 2. Rode out to New Town afternoon
to new house, slept there first time.

Paid over quarter's fees to treasurer of Police Fund,
Hamilton. Received from Whitaker mattress etc., bought of
Crockett 1 bedstead, 7.

Wednesday 20th

At business from 10 till 2. To New Town afternoon.

Paid 100 dollars advanced to me by Dr. Bromley as Treasurer of
Police Fund. Received quarter's salary £125 - \$100 £11

Thursday 21st October

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 2. Rode out
afternoon. Paid Mrs Butler for silk gown £7 . 0 . 0.

Friday 22 d Oct.

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 2. Dined
with the Judge, met Bater, Oakes, Innes and Christie. Slept
at Dr. Margett's.

Received from H. W. Mason 3 doz. Mad[eira] 45/-

Saturday 23 Oct.

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 2. The brig
Deveron arrived from England, Edward Lord Esq. on board. 6 months
passage, touched at St. Jago. Received packet of letters from
home and 1 from Mr Garrard

The 23 d Oct. produced more joy for me than any day since I
arrived in the Colony. My letters I wrote at the Cape were
answered.

Sunday 24th Oct. 1824

At New Town all day. Wet.
Writing letters for England etc.

Monday 25th Oct.

Rode to Town. At business from 10 till 2. Dined with the
Judge, met the gentlemen of the law. Walked out with Fletcher.
Late.

Tuesday 26th

Rode out morning. At business from 10 till 2. Rode out afternoon. Paid Frazer's bill £9 . 6 . 0

Wednesday 27th

Rode out morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode out afternoon.

Thursday Oct. 28th 1824

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 2. Had an interview with Edward Lord Esq., dined with him. Heard from Hood that it was through Sir Thomas Brisbane that my Father was retired. Rode out 8 o'clock evening.

Friday 29th

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 2. Rode out afternoon. Prince Regent sailed for England via Isle of France and Cape of Good Hope. Wrote letters to Mrs Sorell, Ed[ward] Ch[arles] and Mr Garrard, likewise to my Father, forwarded by Mr Milliken. My Father's plate sent home in this vessel. Paid Mrs Nelson for making shirts £4 . 10 . 0
Mrs Margetts for board etc. up to 18 Oct. £42 . 15 . 0
servant £1 . 5 . 0

Saturday Oct. 30th 1824

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 2. Rode out to New Town 3 o'clock, writing in evening. Wrote to Lt. Governor about expences at Launceston.

Sunday 31st Oct.

Rode to Town to Church. Rode out again at 2 o'clock accompanied by Innes, Christie and Mr Warren. They all dined with us, Christie stayed with us all night.

(I heard that Bromley would be requested to resign the Presidency of the Bank)

Monday Nov. 1st

Working in garden and about Farm in morning. Rode to Town. At business from 10 till 3. Rode out afternoon. Moodie made affidavit in Court relative to Bromley business. Writing and reading in evening.

Bought 4 doz. Madeira wine 30/- doz. £6 . 0 . 0 paid.

Tuesday Nov. 2 d.

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 2. Rode out afternoon. First day of second session of Oyer and Terminer.

Received from Clarke 6 bushels bran 18/-

Received from Schultz and Reid 1 box of shot 18/8

Wednesday Nov. 3 d.

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards. Gage called and slept at our house.

This day an Extent against Dr. Bromley passed through my hands. His Honor refused to let me sign it because, leaving out

of question whether such a thing could issue at all in this Colony it does not appear that the proceeding upon which it was to be founded was of record (but merely upon affidavit of A. Moodie of the Commissioners of the Board of Enquiry).

Wrote to Capt. Read about fencing and extension of lease. Three men were drowned today, a boat upset crossing the water.

Paid Whitaker for mattress etc. £5 . 0 . 0

November 4th Thursday

Walked to Town. At business from 10 till 5. Dined with Knopwood. Walked out at 10 o'clock with Fletcher. Received an answer from Lt. Governor about expences to Launceston, to be allowed. Received answer from Capt. Read - we are to be allowed to fence between our land and Murphy and to be allowed for it. Lease to be extended to 5 years if we would undertake to fence the [illegible] of land. Refused.

Paid sometime £7 for bedstead to Crockett.

Friday Nov. 5th

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 3. Rode out afternoon, Mr Gage and Dr. Spencer with us. They dined and slept at our house.

Paid Thomas Crapper for looking after horse £1

Received from Frazer jacket £4 . 4 . 0

Saturday Nov. 6th

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 6 $\frac{1}{2}$. Thomas Riley tried for shooting his convict servant, James Kearney. Riley, Mrs Riley and the deceased were all drunk. The deceased behaved in an improper manner to his master - he left the house, returned, threatened to break in and do his master some injury in fact said he would do for him that night or hell should be his heaven. Suffice to say Riley shot him. His defence was that he did it in his own defence. The jury acquitted him. Dined at the Barracks, slept there.

Sunday 7th

Rode out early to breakfast. Rode in again to Church. Rode out afterwards. Crockett came out and dined with us.

Monday Nov. 8th

Rode to Town. At business from 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards. Bought spoons 3/6. Cow, chest of drawers received.

Tuesday Nov. 9th

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 7. Criminal Court sat late. John Best tried and found guilty of stealing a key value 6 d., a proper verdict, considering the nature of the evidence.

The Princess Charlotte arrived today. She anchored in the River about 6 o'clock evening, been in sight of Mount Nelson about 9 o'clock morning. She had 140 male convicts on board, did not lose one. She touched at Rio, left it on the 6th September. She found the Guildford there. Received letters from my Father and a Prayer Book from him. All well, were 10 weeks getting there, rather a boisterous passage. The Guildford left Rio on the 5th September.

Took up a bill £50 today at the Bank (house). Borrowed of Oakes £200.

Wednesday Nov. 10th

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 3. Walking afternoon with Fletcher. Dined with Atkinson, walked out with Fletcher afterwards. The first civil cause tried since the Supreme Court came into operation.

Thursday 11th Nov.

Rode to Town morning. At business from 9 till 3. Rode out afternoon. Received from Post Office 2 letters for my Father (by Princess Charlotte) one of consequence (to send it to him). Cow calved, bought 8th. See 13th.

Friday 12th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afternoon. Bought 2 stocks £1 . 0 . 0

Saturday Nov. 13th 1824

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 3.

Bromley's enquiry took place today before the following jurors: J. C. Underwood, R. L. Murray, E. H. Thomas, George Lowe, Charles Conolly, Samuel Whittaker, Andrew Bent, Charles Thompson, — Bayles, Richard Barker, James Ogilvie. They brought him in a debtor to the Crown of eight thousand pounds and expences (as the Board of Enquiry) and stated that they thought he had been extensively robbed and begged to recommend him to the favorable consideration of the Government. Well may they. V.D.L. is not ripe for trial by jury, 4 or 5 out of the above list of jurors were convicts and most of them now only emancipated. Independent of their being bonded men they were a most illiterate set.

Walking in afternoon. Dined with Chief Justice Pedder. Walked out afterwards.

Received cash from the Bank for bill due 14 February £53 . 3 . 0
Paid Collicote's for Oakes £160
Bought print of the King £1 . 5 . 0
Paid for court £5 . 5 . 0
Received from Clarke 6 bushels bran.

Sunday 14th Nov.

Rode to Town to Church. Called at Barracks upon Mrs Capt. Cotton, was introduced to Lt. Adjutant Kelly and Lady. He met my Father at Rio de Janeiro. Rode out afternoon.

Monday 15th

Rode out morning. At business from 10 till 4. Rode out afternoon. Christie dined and slept with us.

Received from Schultze and Reid 1 bag of shot, 1 loaf of sugar

Tuesday 16th Nov.

Rode to Town early with Christie breakfasted with him.
At business from 10 till 6. Rode out afterward. Writing
and reading in evening.

Paid Thomas for looking after horse 2 weeks 6/-
1 bushel bran 3/-

I sent my clerk to muster, could not attend myself.
Wrote to Hood about steward.

Paid Oakes £20, making 180 out of 200.

Wednesday Nov. 17th

Rode out morning. At business from 10 till 4. Dined with
Moody. Slept at Bromley's. The Ann brig from the Isle of
France arrived here today laden with sugar principally.

Received from Baker, Finlay & Co.
6 white cravats 1 . 13 . 0)
2 pair gloves 8 . 0) W.S.

Thursday No. 18th

Breakfasted at Bromley's. At business from 9 till 5.
Rode out afternoon. Ross £2 . 12 . 6 private.

Friday Nov. 19th

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 3. Rode out
afternoon, Christie with me, he dined with us.

Received from Frazer 1 pair blue trousers, 1 pair [illegible]

Saturday Nov. 20th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 5. Rode out
afterwards. Paid Fisher for chest of drawers 6 . 12 . 6.

Black 2/
tobacco 2/
tar 2/6
6.6

Wrote to Lt. Governor about Mr Finlay my clerk.

Sunday Nov. 21st

Rode to Town to Church. Called upon His Honor the Chief
Justice. Rode out afternoon, Christie and Innes with me,
they dined with us.

The Ann brig got underweigh in the morning, got a little
way down the River. She put back owing to a strong sea breeze.

Monday Nov. 22 d

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode out
afternoon alone. Fletcher dined in town, I got off the
engagement owing to my lameness. Lamé boil.

Paid into my box at the Comptroller's Office.

24 . 3 . 0
10 . 6
14 . 0 . 0
38 . 13 . 6

Received from Dr. Crockett some medicine

Tuesday Nov. 23 1824

Rode to Town morning. At business from 9 till 5.
Dined at the Barracks. Rode out afterwards. Quite lame.
The ship Princess Charlotte and the brig Ann, sailed for
Sydney. Wrote to Boyes, Robinson and Goodsir.

Thomas for looking after horse 3/-

Wednesday 24th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards.
Engaged to dine with His Honor the Chief Justice, got off the
engagement on account of my lameness - Capt. and Mrs Montague
and Mr and Mrs Hamilton dined there. Christie dined and slept
with us. The brig Deveron, sailed for Sydney. Empty Harbour.

Thursday 25th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out afterwards.
Reading and writing afternoon. Gage dined and slept with us.

Friday Nov. 26th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 5.
Dined at the Barracks, slept there. Took tea at
Mr Hone's, a party.

A meeting of a few of the settlement took place to day
about the formation of a company to trade to India etc for tea,
sugar etc. and for the supply of the Colony.

Saturday 27th

Breakfasted at the Barracks (Christie). At business 10 till 7 $\frac{1}{2}$.
A case of Rape tried this day and two persons, a man and woman
as accessories. The child was 10 years and 4 months old. It
was a most extraordinary case and the girl was a most extraordinary
child, rather interesting in her appearance. It appeared by
the evidence that the girl was worse than the man and the parties
were all acquitted. Rode out afterwards.

Empty Harbour still - I never knew this Harbour so long
empty before. Wheat this week sold for 19 and 20 shilling
Extent (Bromley) returned, Parramore attachment passed over.

Sunday 28th Nov.

Rode in to Church. Paid a visit with the officers to Chief
Justice Pedder and to Dr Bromley. Dined with the officers.
Rode out afterwards, 9 o'clock. Lameness well.

Monday 29th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out
afterwards. Sentence of death passed upon 4 bushrangers
and three murderers. Reading and writing evening.

Thomas, looking after horse 3 .0
1 bushel bran 3 .0

Tuesday 30th Nov.

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out afternoon.
Reading in evening.

Wednesday Dec. 1st.

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Walking with Chief Justice and Mrs Pedder afterwards. Dined with Mr Atkinson. Rode out afterwards, Gage with us. Slept at our house. The Denmark Hill from Sydney arrived, letter from Robinson.

Thursday 2 Decr.

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out afterwards. Reading in evening.

Friday 3 Decr.

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out afternoon. Reading in evening.

Saturday 4th Decr.

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out after. Mr Simpson and Mr Atkinson called in the evening. Reading afterward and writing.

Spurs 5/-

Self £6) Paid Walton on account for fencing £10-0-0
Fletcher £4)

By Denmark Hill Robinson informed me he had forwarded my letters to England by Prince Regent, barque. wheat cheap 8/-, good harvest. Trial by jury instituted. Court of Requests and Quarter Sessions commenced operations. Sir Thomas Brisbane and Chief Justice Forbes embarked on a visit to new settlement Moreton Bay. News paper Australian.

Sunday Decr. 5th 1824

Mr Gage came out and breakfasted with us. Fletcher and myself went with him to his farm at the Old Beach about 11 miles from Town. We rode back in the evening.

Monday Decr. 6th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 6½. Dined at the Barracks. Rode out afterwards. Criminal Court: Lord v Rowcroft 1st day. 2 witnesses examined, one took 4 hours - Mr Forbes.

Tuesday 7th

Rode to Town morning. At business 9 till 7. Rode out afterwards. One witness took the whole day: Mr C. Robertson. 2 d. day.

Our paddock of English grass was cut this week, sometime ago we sowed 2 acres of oats and barley, for want of rain it looks very bad - country in a sad state for want of rain.

A present of 2 geese and a gander from the Rev. R. Knopwood, and a fine cock and hen from Mr Gage.

Wednesday Decr. 8th

Rode to Town morning. At business 9 till 2 o'clock in the morning. Criminal Court 3rd day, one witness (Drummond) in the Box all the time, 17 hours. I was writing all the time taking down the evidence. I rode out to New Town afterwards, it was moonlight. I paid a man for Oaken, making me square with him. I owe £4.

Thursday 9th

Rode to Town morning, got in by 12 o'clock. At business 12 till 2. Criminal Court. Called at Bromley's. Rode out afterwards with Mr. Gordon, he dined with us. I got completely drunk - bad boy-will never do so again.

Friday 10th Decr.

3rd day Criminal Court. I felt so unwell from the effects of the wine I drank last evening I could not get up this morning to go to business although I wished it most particularly. I remained at home all day. Mr. Cummings was with us at dinner. Mr Atkinson came out afternoon and Mr Conolly. I was writing and reading in the evening.

Saturday Decr. 11th

Rode to Town morning. Very unwell. At business from 10 till $\frac{1}{2}$ past 12 o'clock night. Went to Dr. Hodto take some refreshment. Rode out to New Town afterward with the General. Criminal Court 4th day. Horse shod by Panton.

Sunday Decr. 12th

Very unwell. Took Hood a ride to Folosa. At home all day after. Christie and Dr. Spencer dined with us. 5 day Criminal Court.

Monday Decr. 13th

Very unwell. Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 1. Rode out after. 6 Day

Ordered of Clarke 6 bushels bran, of Solomon 3 bundles hay

Tuesday Decr. 14th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterward. Reading in evening. 7 day.

Wednesday Decr. 15

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 5. Rode out afterward. Reading in evening. 8th day.

Received from Clarke, 6 bushels bran. 15/-

Thursday Decr. 16

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterward. Dr Crockett, his brother and Dr. Secumb dined with us. 9th day.

Friday 17th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterward. Reading in the evening. 10th day.

Saturday 18th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 11 o'clock night. Slept at Barracks. A ship anchored in the Passage, the agular (watson) put in through distress of weather. Capt. Watson and Mr Dixon came up to Hobart Town. 11th day gave verdict - damages £100 - laid out £1000.

Paid for forage Mr. Neane 5/-

Sunday Decr. 19th

Rode to New Town early from Barracks. Rode in to Church afterward. Dined at Barracks. Rode out afterward. Bought straw etc. for mare 10/-

Monday Decr. 20th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterward. Major Marlay, Capt. Innes and Christie rode out and dined with us.

John Binns and his wife entered our service at £50 a year.

Gave Fletcher about this time £3 to pay for sugar etc.

Received from Clark 4 bushels bran 10/-

Paid for grass for mare 9/-

Tuesday 21st

Rode to Town morning. Dr. Crocket breakfasted with us. At business 10 till 1. Rode up to signal post Mount Nelson with Capt. Cotton and Christie. I saw ship that was signalized in the morning, she looked large. She anchored about 10 o'clock at night off the Town, the Portland from Sydney, put in through distress of weather, Capt. Robinson and 48 Regt. on board. Rode to New Town after.

Received from Mrs Pedder expences at Launceston £6 . 10 . 6

Called at Pedder's.

Last day of Civil Court, were adjourned to Launceston on the 3 d. January⁺.

Wednesday 22 d.

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Walking to different shops with Fletcher. Rode out afterwards. Capt. Wood dined with us.

Paid for brushes (Hopkins) 14 s. 9d.

The aguilar anchored off town about 10 o'clock morning.

Lent Mr. Spode £6 . 0 . 0

Saw Robinson today. Called at Bromley's.

Last day of Criminal Court, are adjourned to Launceston on the 28th December. My deputy goes with the Court instead of me. A Criminal Information presented against Mr Bedford for refusing to marry, 2 free pardons (Mr Murray). Capt. Wood told me that Col. Arthur had received instructions to pay⁺ to my Father £500 per annum if he remained in this country.

+ Entries for 21st and 22nd Dec. cross written

Thursday 23 d.

Started off to Austin's Ferry at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 4 o'clock morning to see His Honor the Chief Justice and his Lady off on their journey to Launceston. Breakfasted at Austin's. Bid them goodbye. Rode back with Innes. Rode to Town. At business from 10 till 12. At Barracks all day. Dined and slept there. Major [name omitted]

Received from Langford some stuff etc. for curtains and a pair blankets. Some straw. Rulers 5/-

Friday 24th

Rode to Town early. At business 12 till 3. Rode out afterwards. Borrowed of Christie £10. Wrote to Montagu about expences. Reading in the evening.

Paid Joseph Walton on account for fencing £20 self £10
Fletcher £10 £30

The Portland sailed today. Received new Almanack⁺

Saturday Decr. 25th

Christmas Day. The first time passed in Van Diemen's Land. My last Christmas Day I passed at sea pleasantly within 3 days sail of the land. Rode to Town morning to Church. Rode out soon afterward. Dined at Mr Evans $\frac{1}{2}$ past 3, a large party. Home at 11 o'clock. The Portland reported out of sight. The Aguilar sailed today.

Sunday Decr. 26th

Rode to Town morning to Church. Walking afternoon with Christie Rode out afterward. Reading in the evening. Vessel signalized in morning, wind blew strong from land all day. The Aguilar reported out of sight - wonderful.

Monday Decr. 27th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards to New Town. I dined with Major Dogillon at New Town with Innes and Christie. Got home by 9 o'clock. Wrote to my Father, Ed. etc. by Denmark Hill, enclosed letter received some time ago, Barker.

Bought a mare £60 . 0 . 0, accepted bill in payment, 3 November.⁺

Tuesday Decr. 28th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode out afterward, Christie with us, he dined with us. The Denmark Hill sailed today for Rio, Edward Lord Esq. on board. Sent letters (see the 27)

Of Fletcher 15/- Paid Thomas for looking after horse 5-0
Paid Joseph for breaking in mare in part £2-0-0. I arrived in Van Diemen's Land this day 12 months.

Wednesday 29th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards Oakes with us, he dined and slept with us. He started off early in morning. Received letter from Robinson I ought to have had some time ago - of no consequence.

⁺ Entries 24-26th Dec. cross written

Thursday 30th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards. Walking and reading in the evening. Heard that Mrs Pedder met with an accident on the road by the chaise upsetting - she is stopping at [illegible]

Friday 31st

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards. Received answer to my letter of 24th to Capt. Montagu - wrote to him again - received an answer referred to Lt. Governor. Reading in evening.

Bought load of hay £1 . 10 .0

Received from Langford bottle of ink 2/-

It rained heavily almost all day - the first days rain we have had (I think) for 3 months.

Saturday Jany. 1st 1825

Rode to Town morning. At business from 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards. It rained a great deal today. Reading in the evening.

Received from Atkinson:

1 ream writing paper 20/

1 cake soap 1/6

Bought soap dishes etc. 10/

Paid Thomas for horse last week 3/

Sunday Jany. 2

Rode to Town morning to Church. Walking with Fletcher, Christie, etc. afterwards. Rode out afterward, Christie, Innes and Seccombe with us to dinner. A fine day.

Monday Jany. 3

Rode to Town morning, at business short time. Rode out afterwards (Patterson) Rode to Tolosa after dinner. Reading evening. Bought nutmeg etc. 3/6

Became a subscriber for the Australian - paid 12/6 quarter in advance. Received one paper.

The Deveron arrived from Sydney. She anchored in the evening. She brought down as passengers, Murdoc Esq. and brother appointed by Sir Thos. Brisbane Naval Officer, 1 Sep., E.O. Atkinson, Miss Bannister, sister to Attorney General of N.S.W. (on a visit to Mrs Pedder) etc. etc. Loaded a quantity of wheat. Received letters from Boyes.

+ Entries for Jan. 3 cross written

Tuesday Jany 4th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 1. Rode to Coal River to Mr Gunning, alone - 19 miles for Miss Hone. Arrived there at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 5 - slept there.

ferry 5/-

Wednesday 5th

Got up 5 o'clock morning. Walked about Gunning's farm. Started off after breakfast 8 o'clock with Miss Hone and Mr Hobbs. Arrived in Hobart Town $\frac{1}{2}$ past 11.

Dined with Dr Seccombe - rode out afterwards.

ferry etc. feed for horse 10/-

Thursday 6th

Rode to Town morning. At business about an hour. Started off at 1 o'clock on a Pic Nic Party. Went up the River to Geils Town in a boat. Dr. Crockett and En. Christie in one boat rowed by 4 soldiers - Capt. Innes, Dr. Seccombe, Fletcher and myself in another boat rowed by 5 soldiers. We had plenty of provisions. It rained a little. I spent one of the most pleasant afternoons I have spent in this Colony. We amused ourselves by shooting with rifles, jumping etc. We got to the Barracks about $\frac{1}{2}$ past 6. Rode out to New Town at 10 o'clock. Major Marley was to have been of the party but he was unwell.

Paid for pickles 4/-
for bread 2/6

Friday Jany 7th 1824 [sic]

Walked to Town morning. At business 11 till 3. Walked out afterwards. Reading and writing evening.

Left my card with the new Naval Officer, Mr Murdoc.

Saturday Jany 8th

Walked to Town morning. At business 11 till 3. Walked out afterwards. Reading and writing in evening.

At the Sheriff's sale to day. The sheep sold for 7/- a head and other property equally low. When I arrived sheep would fetch from 20 to 25/- by this mode of sale and cattle 5 and £6. Now they sell for £2 and £2-10. What a falling off in this Colony I have witnessed in twelve months.

Paid Smith glazier 6/-

Sunday Jany 9th

Rode to Town morning to Church - too late for Church, did not go. Dined with Paterson and slept there.

A brig signalized in afternoon. Rained and blew very hard all day.

Monday Jany 10th 1824 [sic]

Walked about early and rode to Town. At business 11 till 2. Rode out afterwards. Reading and walking in evening.

Brig not in sight to day. Blown out again.

Tuesday 11th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Rode out afterward.
Christie with us. He dined and slept with us. Shooting in evening
after dinner.

Bought of Mather	Coffee pot	7-6
	Black silk	1-6
	cotton	1-6
	tea	6-6
	corks	4-6

1-3-6

Paid amount of 5/3 for books account J. Smith. Mare 3-0-0

Paid to Treasurer of Funds 241-3-0
of Comptroller £40 of Treasurer £8

Wednesday 12th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 1. Dined with Mr Paterson,
3 o'clock. Rode to New Town afterward with Fletcher and Paterson.
We changed clothes etc. at home and started off about $\frac{1}{2}$ past 4 o'clock.
Arrived at Mr Watson's, Bagdad about 8 o'clock. Supped and slept
there 16 miles from Town.

Thursday January 13th 1825

Breakfasted at Mr Watson, Bagdad and started off about 8 o'clock -
stopped a short time at the Green Water Ponds to bait our horses and
arrived at Capt. Woods', Upper Clyde about 4 o'clock about 30 miles
from Mr Watson. Slept at Capt. Woods. A very hot day.

From the Cross Marsh we rode over some very poor country. Capt.
Wood in a very wild plain. He has done a great deal in the way
of improvement. He has the best stone house I have seen in the
Country - I mean to say out of Hobart Town. He was kind enough
to give me up his bed.

Friday January 14th

Got up about 8 o'clock morning after a good nights sleep. Walked
about the farm to view the improvements. They were certainly
extensive.

I slept again at woods'. May I always sleep in the house of as good
a man. A little rain to day. Wood told me Col. Arthur told him
that he had received instructions from Earl Bathurst to pay my Father
a pension of £500 a year for his services to this Colony.

Saturday Jany 15th

Got up about 8 o'clock after a good night's rest. Breakfasted and
started off about 11 o'clock. After we left Wood's it rained very hard
and hailed at times. It was likewise exceeding cold. We got wet
through and dry again three times. We at last arrived at Dr. Bromley's
at 4 o'clock. We could not get a change of clothes. Dr Bromley being
a large man, his coat would have served for the 3 of us and as we had
no wish to be buttoned all up together we preferred remaining as we
were. We however got a good dinner and plenty of good wine - Fletcher
got funny - and we all 3 slept soundly in a marquee near the house.

We saw the falls of the Clyde - the fall is about 50 feet but owing to this dry weather, it was not worth viewing the water. Scarcely a fall at all. Dr. Paton was kind enough to shew us to the falls. Dr. Paton considers himself a particularly learned man and he shewed us some simple stone which he was pleased to call petrified moss. The country we passed over to day was excellent as sheep running but it was too hilly, scarcely fit for any thing else.*

Sunday Jany 16th

We got up about 8 o'clock, breakfasted and rode with Dr. Bromley as far as Lawrenny, lately the estate of E. Lord Esq. but now made over to his brother Sir John Owen. It is about 7 miles from Bromley's farm. Upon our return we dined at Bromley's, had an excellent dinner and good wine - Paterson got very funny. We slept in the marquee again.

It was rather a fine day.

Lawrenny is a delightful place near the banks of the Derwent. I saw the finest stock yard there I had seen in the Colony. We rode over some fine country to day. The viewing of this country about the Lower Clyde is beautiful.

We rode 14 miles to day.

Monday Jany 17th

We got up about 8 o'clock, breakfasted and started off about 11 - Dr. Bromley with us. We stopped and refreshed at Mr Spode's (Clerk to the Supreme Court). We left Dr. Bromley there, he was about to return to the Clyde. We arrived at New Norfolk about 6 o'clock. We supped and slept at Langton's Inn and fared very well. I paid bill 1-11-0.

We rode over my Father's estate Norton Mandeville. We saw some of the sheep, they looked badly. I was told by a man shearing the sheep there was land near to be disposed of - near Mr Wells. I thought at the time of taking it, it being so near my Father's.

We rode 22 miles to day. The day was fine.

Tuesday Jany 18th

Got up early and started off at 6 o'clock, arrived at home at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 9. 21 miles.

At home all day looking after different things. Went to bed early unwell. Took medicine.

The Admiral Cockburn from England with merchandize and passengers anchored about 6 o'clock evening. She left England in August and touched at Madagascar. No letters. By this vessel we heard of the death of the King of France, Louis 18th.

* Entries for Jan. 15 cross written

Wednesday Jany 19th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Criminal Court adjourned September commenced this day. Called upon His Honor the Chief Justice and Mrs Pedder, likewise Mrs Paterson and Mr Knopwood. Rode out afterwards. Took tea with Mr Evans.

The Lt. Governor wrote a note to me worded thus:

"The Lt. Governor will be glad to see Mr Sorell if he is not engaged in the Court.

Jany 19 "

I of course waited upon His Honor directly (not being engaged in the Court) Our interview was to the following effect - He gave me to understand that he sent for me to let me know he had received instructions from Earl Bathurst to pay my Father a pension of £500 a year. (This I knew before) I thanked him of course for his kindness. I then asked him how he liked his journey to Launceston etc. This over, he said to me in words nearly as follows:

"Persons are in the habit of saying I dislike all your Father's friends and that I disapprove of many of his measures. I assure you Mr Sorell this is not the case. Now there is Dr. Bromley and Mr Evans. Dr. Bromley has brought it all upon himself and you are aware I dare say there was only one way for me to act in this business and as to Mr Evans your Father told me he suspected that there was something wrong in his Department and if it had been pointed out to him he would have taken notice of it. It has been pointed out to me and I could not but take notice of it officially."

He then told me my salary would be increased and that he hoped and made no doubt but that I should be confirmed. He likewise gave me to understand that he had paid Mr Butler's passage out of my increase of salary and which he had stated to Earl Bathurst and which he thought would tend to confirm me in my appointment. He told me he had done every thing in his power to secure me the situation and that he should be most happy to serve me. He likewise told me the moment I thought of moving my clerk I might do so (a stretch certainly) and concluded by saying "If you are not engaged perhaps you will do me the pleasure of dining with me tomorrow."

It appears to me he meant nothing more or less than this - he knew he had behaved very ill to me by not taking any notice of me for 6 or 7 months any more than my Father's friends. He saw by his journey across the country that the name of Sorell was still respected and that treating it with disrespect would add to his being unpopular. He therefore sent for me as being the first step towards his reformation. If he had not sent for me as he did I had made up my mind (had he been pleased to invite me) to decline, let what might be the consequence.

Thursday Jany 20th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Walking with Fletcher afterwards. Dined at Government House 1st time. Met Capt. and Mrs Montagu, Capt. Lockyer, Mr Murdoc and his brother etc. Slept at Barracks. The Lt. Governor treated me very kindly at dinner. He sat next to me, he took wine with me first and altogether behaved very handsomely towards me.

Slept at Barracks. Received from Baker and Co. black trousers, black waistcoat and white under ditto.

Friday Jany 21st 1825

Breakfasted at Barracks. At business 10 till 4. Walked afterwards.
Dined at Barracks, met Lockyer. Walked home afterwards. Wrote to
Mulgrave and Bromley. Clerk away.

Saturday 22

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode home afterwards.
Sold my horse. 1 bill £25 3 months 1 ditto £25 6 months
Mr F. away. Received from Dean 2 bushels bran 4/-

Sunday Jany 23

At home all day. Wet. Reading etc.

Monday 24th Jany

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Walking afterwards.

Dined at Barracks. Took tea at Mr Hone's. Met a large party of
young ladies and Mr and Mrs Stephen. Mr Stephen gave me a letter of
introduction he had received to my Father.

The Cumberland (ship) arrived from England with merchandize and passengers.
She touched at Rio. Received a letter for my Father, an introductory
letter from Mr Stephen. John Raine on board, the charterer.
I saw him to day, shook hands etc.

Tuesday 25th Jany

Breakfasted with His Honor the Chief Justice. At business 10 till
3. Walked with Fletcher to sundry shops. Rode out afterwards,
Paterson with us. He dined with us.

Wednesday Jany 26th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards.
The Phoenix ship from England with merchandize and passengers arrived
to day. Our new Sheriff on board, Dudley Fereday, Esq., etc.
No letters.

Received from Butler sundry stationery. For prices, see memo book
in office.

Tea at Evans'.

Thursday 27th

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode home afterwards,
Gage with us. He dined and slept with us. Called upon the new
Sheriff at Hood's.

Friday Jany 28th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined with Hood,
met Mr Fereday etc. Rode home afterwards.

Saturday 29th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode home afterwards.
Writing and reading evening. Mr P. called - Watson **Prat**

The Annual Agricultural Dinner was given yesterday. The Lt. Governor
and Chief Justice dined there. There were about 16 persons there -
of those 16 **were of the middle cast.** Last year I dined with the
Society accompanied by my Father and Secretary. A great number of
persons dined there.

Sunday 30th

Rode to Town to Church morning - went to Church. Called on Mrs Cotton and the Chief Justice and Mr Murdoc. Rode out afterwards. Reading in evening.

A brig signalized to day, afternoon.

Monday Jany 31st 1825

Rode to Town morning - wet. At business 10 till 4, Criminal Court. Rode to Town afterwards. Called upon Mr John Raine. Reading in evening.

Paid Mr Gordon for making of boots 6-10-0
Ditto for Fletcher 2-15-0

of Fletcher £10
Bought [illegible] 8/-
and 2 squares soap 4/- 12/- Paid F. Atkinson

Tuesday February 1st 1825

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 5. Dined at Barracks with Major Marlay and Christie. Slept there.

Wednesday Feby 2

Breakfasted with Christie. Rode to New Town afterwards to dress, returned to Town. At business 11 till 3. Walking with Fletcher and Gage afterwards. Dined at Barracks with Major Marlay met Dr. Bromley. Slept at Christie's.

Thursday Feby 3

Breakfasted at Christie's. At business 10 till 4. Rode out to New Town afterwards. Gage came out, dined and slept with us.

Friday Feby 4th

Walked to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Walking with Fletcher etc. afterwards. Dined with Messrs Cartwright and Ross. Met Dr. Bromley. Walked out afterwards. Letter from Mulgrave

Saturday 5th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards. Hull came out, dined and slept with us. Hull and Crockett also dined with us.

Sunday Feby 6th

Rode to Town to Church. Walking with Christie afterwards. Called upon Mrs Pedder. Dined and took tea with Capt. Cotton. Slept with Christie, or at Christie's.

Monday 7th

Rode to New Town early. Breakfasted etc., rode to Town afterwards. At business 10 till 9½ o'clock. Sat in Criminal Court all day, Clerk of Court on leave of absence. Rode out afterwards.

Received of Treasury expense for horse hire going to Launceston
15-15-0

Tuesday 8th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 5 $\frac{1}{2}$. Rode out afterwards.
Man 1 week looking after cow - 1/6 Received from Dean 13 bushels bran.

Wednesday 9th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 5. Walking with Mr and Mrs Pedder and Christie. We all dined together afterwards at Mr Pedder's. I slept there.

The Henry convict ship with female prisoners arrived this afternoon without being signalized (thick weather) She left England, Downs, 6th October and touched at St. Jago. No letters.

Thursday 10th

Breakfasted at His Honor the Chief Justice. At business 10 till 3. Dined with Dr Beccombe. Rode out afterwards.

Friday Feby 11th

No Court to day. Rode to Town morning. At business 12 till 3. Walking about with Fletcher and Christie afterwards. Christie rode out and dined with us. Hull dined with us. Christie slept at our house.

Bought can powder 7/- Received from Mather, clothes brush 1/6
leghorn hat 2-5-0

Saturday 12th

Got up early, out shooting. Rode to town. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards. Hull dined with us. Report in Gazette that my Father had arrived safe in England. News said to have been brought to the Colony by the Grenada which ship arrived at Sydney a short time ago after a passage of 95 days and having left England subsequent to the Henry. I think they had no foundation for this report.

Received of Mr Spode in payment for horse (in part) bill £24-10-0
Received from Whittaker, cedar wash hand stand. Bought 1 lb tea 9-0

Sunday Feby 13th

Rode to Town to Church. Heard the new clergyman, Mr Gerrard (he arrived in the Henry) He is a complete Methodist parson. I am sorry to see such canting fellows sent out to the colonies. Oh this age of cant, Wilberforce, Buxton and company. But this firm will soon be declared defunct I hope.

Called upon Mrs Cotton. Rode out afterwards. Mr Lamb with me. He dined and slept at our house.

Monday 14th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards. Reading in the evening.

Bought bottle of Maccassar oil 7/- Paid (bill) Bank £54-10-0
Paterson lent me 16-0-0

* Entries for Feb. 12th cross written

Tuesday Feby 15th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Walking afterwards with Fletcher and Christie. We all three dined with Moodie. Fletcher and myself went home afterwards.

Sentence was passed on prisoners to day. Second Criminal Court closed. Mare docked yesterday. Jos. Thomas (3 weeks) looking after mare 10/-
Called upon Mrs Pedder to day.

Wednesday Feby 16th

Walked to Town morning. At business 11 till 3. Walked out afterwards. Reading in evening.

Bought a cask of bottled porter at auction to day at 10/3 doz. Received from Scott, dog collars. Received from P. Atkinson, snuff 7/6

Thursday 17th Feby

Walked to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Walking afterwards. Dined with Cotton, met Dr. Carlisle, Mr Murdoc and brother etc. Slept at Barracks.

Friday 18 Feby

Breakfasted with Christie. At business 10 till 2. Walking afterwards. Dined with Paterson, met Murdoc etc. Walked out afterwards.

doz collars 5/- paid

Saturday 19th Feby

Rode to Town morning. At business 11 till 2. Riding afterwards with Murdoc and Christie. Dined at the Barracks. Met Murdoc etc. Rode out alone afterwards.

Sunday Feby 20th 1825

Rode to Town morning to Church. Called upon Mrs Cotton afterwards. Walked with Christie and Murdoc. Rode out afterwards. Reading in evening. The Henry sailed for Sydney.

Monday 21 Feby

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out afterwards. Reading in evening. A very wet day. Borrowed of Christie £7

Tuesday 22 Feby

Rode to Town morning. At business 11 till 2. Walking with Seccombe afterwards. Rode out, Seccombe with me. He dined with me. Fletcher came home about 9 o'clock. The Dundas ship arrived from the Isle of France.

Wednesday 23 Feby

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Called at the Judge's - stopd there some time. Walking with Seccombe and Christie to purchase sundry articles. Rode out afterwards. Gage dined and slept with us.

Bought bottle Macassar oil	7-0
Shaving brush and comb	4-0
Shaving box	4-6
2 bottles blacking	6-0
Clothes line	10-0
Boot jacks	3-0
Paid for repairing watch	15-0

2-9-6

There was a large party at Government House to day. All the officers of the Court were there, save me - the name of Sorell sticks in the little saint's gizzard. +

Thursday 24 Feby

walked to town morning. At business 10 till 2. Walking afterwards. Brig arrived from Sydney, the Governor Macquarie, with tea etc. No letters to day. Received 3 numbers of the Australian. Dined at Seccombe's. Walked out afterwards - reading in evening.

The Cumberland sailed to day, for Sydney. Received from Schultze and Co 13 lbs cheese 2/- 1-1-0. +

Friday Feby 25th 1825

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 2. Walking afterwards. Rode out afterwards.

Received from Williamson 1 doz. Cape wine 2-5-6

Reading in the evening.

Eight men were hanged to day:

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| 1. Mossquito | } | Natives - murder |
| 2. Black Jack | | |
| 3. Ryan | } | Bushrangers - burglary etc. |
| 4. Bryan | | |
| 5. McConnell | | |
| 6. Ryder | | |
| 7. Logan - shooting with intent to kill | | |
| 8. [Left blank] | | |

I went with the Sheriff to the Gaol to announce to Henry Burgess, a man left for execution tomorrow for burglary, that the Governor had been pleased to respite him on condition that he be transported for the term of his natural life, for which he and his wife who was with him at the time seemed very thankful.

Panton punched this man's eye tooth out.

A letter appeared in the Gazette of this day written by me signed Justitia.

Bought a thermometer 15/-
a razor strop 5/- £1 +

+ Entries 23rd to 25th Feb. cross written

Saturday 26th

Got up early and went out shooting. Rode to town after breakfast. Atkinson breakfasted with us. At business 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards. Dined with the Attorney-General at Derwent Park - fishing after dinner. Got home about 10 o'clock.

Four men were executed this morning:

1. Lear)
 2. Fry) Burglary
 3. Chamberlain)
 4. Failding) Sheep stealing
- Bought 4 pair gloves 19/-

Sunday Feby 27th

Rode to town morning to Church. Called upon Cotton and Mrs Cotton. Rode out alone afterwards. Dined alone. Walking and reading in the evening.

Monday Feby 28th 1825

Got up early. The Judge and Christie arrived at our house about 7 minutes past 6 o'clock. We shot at pigeons from a trap. I killed more than either of the others. His Honor and Christie breakfasted with us. They, accompanied by Fletcher went down the River to Hobart town in their boat. I rode to town. At business 11 till 2. Walking afterwards. Dined with His Honor the Chief Justice - met Christie. Walked out to New town afterwards.

Received from Dean 6 bushels bran
Received from Schultze and Co. 1 loaf of sugar
Received from Langford 1 lb tea
Received from Williamson 2 doz wine

A vessel signalized to day - got out of sight again towards evening.

Tuesday March 1st 1825

Rode to town morning. At business 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ till 3. Walking afterwards. We dined with Mr Ives with a jolly party - left about $\frac{1}{2}$ past 1. Walked out afterwards together. Deputy Assistant Commissary General Roberts slept at our house.

The vessel signalized again.

Wednesday 2

Rode to town morning. At business 11 till 2. Called afterwards upon Mrs Pedder. Went to see Innes who returned from Launceston yesterday. Walking afterwards. Rode out afterwards alone, dined alone. Writing, reading in the evening.

The vessel not seen to day - it blew a land breeze all night.

Thursday 3 March

Rode to town morning. Started off at 10 o'clock to Sandy Bay with John Abbott and George Kemp - shot 3 quails. Got back about 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Rode out afterwards.

+ Entries for 1st March cross written

Friday 4 March

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Walking afterwards.
Rode out, Innes, Christie and [illegible] and Gage with us. They
dined with us.

The Deveron sailed to night for Sydney - left John Raine the charterer
behind.

Received from Champion and Co. 1 doz Madeira wine 60/-⁺

Saturday 5th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Riding afterwards.
Dined with Woodie, met Roberts. Rode home.

The Governor Macquarie sailed to day for Sydney. Raine went in her.
Boots repaired by John Wilson.

Sunday March 6th

Rode to Town morning - to Church. Called at Cotton's - dined there.
Rode home at 6 o'clock.

Monday 7th

Rode to Town. By 6 o'clock started off with my two dogs to Sandy Bay
with Christie and Lamb shooting. I shot 5 birds. Got back to Barracks
10 o'clock, breakfasted with Christie, dressed at Crocket's. At
business 12 till 3. Rode home afterwards. Drawing in the evening.
Gave Revd. Mr Bedford subscription for B. Shoobridge 1-5-0.

Some **rascals** broke into the Treasurer's office but did not succeed
in getting the money. Mr Stevens was robbed while spending the
evening at Mr Hamilton's. 2 or 3 books of Mr Stevens and clothes
were stolen.

Tuesday 8th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Called at Mrs Pedder.
Poor Judge unwell. Rode out afterwards. Reading in evening.
Wrote to Treasurer about guineas.

Paid Thomas for looking after mare 5/- for halter 2/6

Wednesday 9th March

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Walking afterwards.
Rode home. Reading in evening.

Thursday 10 March

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out afterwards.
Reading in evening. With the Judge to day - he was a little better.
This was the first day of the Civil Term but postponed till Monday
on account of Judge's illness.

Friday 11 March

Went out early in morning to Geils Town shooting, Fletcher and young
Kemp with me. We went to Kentdown, we walked about all day in the
sun and could not find any birds. I could not get a shot at
quails so I shot a few swallows. We got home about 4 o'clock.
Kemp rode home on my mare about 6½. Reading in evening. Mr
Beaumont and Mr Scott, Surveyor over at Risdon.

+ Entries for 4th, 5th and 7th March cross written

Saturday March 12th

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards.
The Brig Haweis arrived from Sydney yesterday - no letters for me.
She brought a strange news relative to the Almorah and likewise
brought intelligence that Ribey Esq. of the firm of Walker and Ribey
of Sydney had cut his throat. Reading in evening.

Received money of Young today.

Paid for Ross boots £2-0-0

Sunday March 13th

Rode to Town to Church. Called at Mrs Cotton, afterwards rode out
alone - wet. Writing in evening. It rained considerably to night.

Monday 14th

Rode to Town. at business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards.
Reading in evening.

Received from Batey and Co. 2 pairs trousers

Received from Bank Bill £64

Tuesday March 15th 1825

Got up early, went out shooting with Fletcher, rode to Town.
at business 10 till 3. Walking afterwards. Dined with Ives.
Rode out afterwards.

Paid for repairing boots 18-0

Paid Whitaker, cabinet maker 2-6-0

Wednesday 16th March

Rode to town morning. at business 10 till 2. Went out afterwards
with Ives, Lamb and young Kemp shooting. Dined at Seccombe's. Rode
out afterwards.

There was a meeting to day of the friends of my Father relative to
dining together on the 7 April to celebrate the anniversary of his
arrival here.

Thursday 17th

Got up early and rode to town. Went alone to Cascade to shoot.
Breakfasted with Lamb. at business 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards.

Received money from Ross to day -

Paid Scott for dog collars 8-6

Paid Housman saddler 7-6

Dogs meat etc. 2-0

watch key 1-6

Seccombe slept with us.

Friday 18 March

Got up early and went out with Seccombe and Fletcher shooting. Rode
to town. at business 10 till 2. Called upon Mrs Pedder. Christie,
Innes and Cotton rode out afterwards. to bed early.

Capt. Montagu called on me to day relative to the value at which I
should continue to enter the dollar in my office. I think it will
be taken at the rate of exchange, about 4/4 instead of 4/-

Saturday 19 March

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards.
Lamb dined and slept at our house.

Sunday March 20th 1825

Lamb etc. breakfasted with us. Rode to Town, went to Church.
Rode out afterwards - wet. Went to Evans' to tea etc. Saw Innes
and Christie. Rained much in the night.

Monday 21st

Rode to Town morning - wet. At business 10 till 3. Rode out
afterwards. Writing in afternoon and evening.

The Chief Justice saw the Governor this morning relative to the rate
at which I have been negotiating the Spanish dollar. He told me he
considered the dollars my property and that I was responsible and not
the Governor etc., but the Governor would indemnify me for what I had
already done and I must henceforth take the responsibility on myself
and use my own discretion on the subject.

A ship came in to day from India - the Valetta - laden with tea etc.
Doctor Innes passenger, brother to my friend Capt. Innes.

Opened Office, damage to property 10/6. Was burnt walls.

Tuesday March 22

Writing in morning. Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3.
Wrote to the Lt.-Governor in consequence of what transpired yesterday,
informing him that unless he gave me instructions to the contrary, I
should receive the Spanish dollar at the rate of exchange. Rode out
afterwards. Writing in evening. I saw Doctor Innes to day.

Wednesday 23

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards.
Reading in the evening.

Thursday March 24th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Rode out afterwards.

Received a reply to my letter from the Governor. He entirely approves
of my determination to receive the dollar at the rate of exchange.
(See Gazette of tomorrow upon the subject.)

Friday March 25th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode out afterward,
Doctor Innes and Christie with us. Went over Derwent Park with the
dogs. Mr G. Kemp with us - could not find any birds.

Saturday March 26th

Up early shooting, rode to Town afterward. At business 10 till 3.
Walking with Christie. Rode out afterwards. Reading etc. in evening.
Received from Mather 1 doz shirts.

Sunday March 27th

Rode to Town morning to Church. Rode out afterwards. Took a ride
with Fletcher after dinner. Reading in the evening. Upon going to
Town, I found that the Narcid Cutter had arrived from Sydney. No
letters.

Monday March 28th

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 4. Thompson and Clark. Rode out afterwards. Reading etc. in evening.

Received from Mather pair spurs
Bought pair gloves 4-0
Paid for Fletcher 1-0

5-0

Tuesday March 29th

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3½. Called upon Mrs Pedder. Rode out afterwards.

Paid for covering stock 5-0
Ditto for hair cutting 5-0

Writing in evening. Cartwright

Wednesday 30th March 1825

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 2½. Walking with Fletcher and Gage afterwards. Rode out afterwards. Reading in evening.

Bill due to day at Bank for £60 for mare - paid it.

Sheriff told me to day that Mr Parramore and the Attorney General, attorney and counsel for Wentworth Brothers wanted him to make a return to the writ of attachment (against my Father's property) "that he had attached so many sheep, the property of Col. Sorell". Mr Kemp at the request of the Attorney General etc. agreed to indemnify the Sheriff if he would make that return but he said he would not as he had seen the deed of conveyance of the 800 sheep by Col. Sorell to Mr Kemp. The trustees are making a pretty business of it I think. W.S.

Thursday 31st March

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 4. Rode out afterwards. The Clerk of the Court (Mr Spode) and his wife were thrown out of a gig yesterday and so sadly injured as not to be expected to live. I saw Mr Spode to day. I called with the Judge and Master of the Court.

Paid for repairing boots 10-0

Writing in evening. Fletcher at Gage's.

Friday April 1st 1825

Good Friday. Rode to town morning to Church. Called and lunched at His Honor the Chief Justice's. Rode out afterwards - wet. Writing and reading in evening.

Saturday April 2

Rode to town morning. At business 9½ till 3 in Court - Mr Spode unwell. Rode out afterwards. Writing in evening.

Heard that I was to be subpoenaed as a witness in the case Thompson v. Montagu.

My poor friend Dr. Margetts died today, morning 8 o'clock. +

+ Entries for 2nd April cross written

Sunday April 3rd

Rode to Town morning to Church. Went up to barracks - could not see Innes (he was much the same as usual) Rode out afterwards - Crockett with us. He stopped at Evans'. Saw Mrs Spole to day. She appeared better. Reading in evening.

The Valetta sailed this day for Sydney.

Monday April 4th 1825

Rode to Town morning. At business 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ till 4 - in Court. Rode home afterwards. Reading in the evening.

His Honor the Chief Justice told me to day that as I kept a Judgment Book, all I need do with respect to records was to indorse upon the back of the record the amount of damages assessed, the Master then was to indorse likewise his costs taxed and the execution might issue.

Paid Thomas for Looking after mare 10-0

Tuesday 5th April

Rode to Town morning. At business 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ till 3. Rode home afterwards. Reading, writing in the evening.

I met Hood, Humphrey and the two solicitors Ross and Parramore to day upon my Father's business. It was understood by the parties that the sheep were to stand attached in my Father's name for 3 years. Wentworth in the mean time to receive the rent in the event of the money not being paid before the expiration of the 5 years.

Humphrey seemed inclined to object to this arrangement at first and to wish it to take its course through the Court. This was Hood's proposal and I perfectly agreed with him. In the first place I consider it likely that the Court would decide against us and if it did the property would not pay $\frac{1}{4}$ of the debt; in the 2nd place I should like to keep it from the public eye as much as possible and even if the Court should decide in our favour, the money would be recoverable in England. It appears to me that this arrangement will settle the business for some time to come to give my Father an opportunity to pay the money and at any rate that if the property must be sold to pay it, that it will fetch much more 3 years hence than it would at present.

Mr Ross wrote to Mr Bannister about it some time ago but up to this time has not had any answer.

Heard afterwards that Mr B. wrote but his letter by some mistake went to the Isle of France first.

Heard that Col. Balfour (the new Commandant) and a detachment of the 44th had arrived at Port Dalrymple - Moodie ordered up to Sydney, wrongly originally to England on account of the business of the Almorah.

Poor Innes - no letters to day.

Bater breakfast.+

+ Antelios for 5th April cross written

Wednesday 6th April

Rode to Town morning. At business 9½ till 5½ in Court. Rode out afterwards.

The Brig Governor Macquarie arrived from Sydney. No letters for me.

Writing in evening.

Innes much better, Spode better, Mrs Spode the same.

Thursday 7 April 1825

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3½. Called at the Judge's. Dined at Stodard's Hotel with a party of about 50 gentlemen to celebrate the anniversary of my Father's arrival in this Colony. We had a very good dinner with a band of music. My health was drunk with 3 times 3 and the tune 'Whistle and I'll come to thee my lad' played after it - the ladies of V.D.L. was the toast before me. Myself and Knopwood were the only guests. I left with Hood (the President) at 10 o'clock - some of the party kept it up till 6 o'clock in the next morning. I rode home after I left.

The evening passed off quite to my satisfaction. In short, I never felt more pleasure in my life than I did this evening as may be supposed when we saw such a number of gentlemen met together determined to shew their respect to my Father. I sat at the right hand of the President and was made a great deal of.

The remains of my poor friend Dr. Margetts interred to day.

Friday 8th April

Rode to Town morning, early. Breakfasted with Hood. At business 9 till 5 in Court. Rode out afterwards.

Received a letter from an old shipmate, Williams of the 40th Regiment quartered at Launceston; answered it by to days post.

Heard to day from two or 3 merchants that they had received letters acknowledging receipt of letters etc. sent home by the Guildford. The letters came by one [sic] of Sydney and Port Dalrymple. I suppose I shall hear pretty soon, in fact I expect to hear by the next ship.

Innes much better - bravo!

Saturday 9th April

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 1. Followed Mr Evans, a neighbour of ours, to the grave, the first funeral I ever went to in my life.

A ship was signalized this morning early: she anchored about 4 o'clock, the Lady East, male convict ship. I received a letter from my Father informing me that Earl Bathurst had been pleased to confirm my appointment. The letter was short but he stated that he should write fully by the next ship. It bore date the 3 November 1824.

Rode out afterwards; reading and thinking in evening.

I did not fail to return thanks to Almighty God for his mercies to me.

Sunday 10th April 1825

Rode to Town morning to Church. Went to Judge's and up to Barracks afterwards. (Saw Innes) much better. Received a letter from my Father which came with Bromley's, date 30th October, in which he informed me he had arrived two days previous - all well. Rode out afterwards. Writing and reading in evening.

Monday April 11th 1825

Rode to Town morning, wet. At business 9 till 6 in Court - Stephen v. Crowther. Dined with Innes, met Farley, Bromley etc. Rode home afterwards late.

Capt. Montagu and Hamilton called the first thing this morning to congratulate me on my appointment.

Tuesday April 12th

Rode to Town morning. At business 9½ till 4½ in Court - Stephen v. Crowther continued. Rode out afterwards - very wet.

Received a note from Capt. Montagu enclosing a letter which had been sent to my Father under cover to Col. Arthur.

Writing and reading in evening.

A ship was in sight at the Battery when I left Town.

Wednesday April 13th

Rode to Town morning. At business 9½ till 6, in Court - Stephen v. John Raine. Rode out afterwards - wet.

An organ subscribed for by the inhabitants came out in the Lady East consigned to Mr Kemp. Mr Kemp paid for it and as the parson had not paid him for it, in so much as £75 was due to him, he said he would keep it until that sum was paid - he had the bill of lading. However, the parson by some means unknown to Mr Kemp and although he had the bill of lading, managed to smuggle it ashore somehow at which Mr Kemp was very indignant of course and said he should not let the business rest where it was.

The ship anchored yesterday evening, the Edinburgh Castle⁺ from Scotland with 62 passengers and merchandize.

Writing and reading in evening.

Paid dear for bran £3

Thursday 14 April

Rode to Town morning. At business 9½ till 8½ in Court - Stephen v. Raine, continued. Rode home afterwards.

Heard to day that the Governor had detained the ship in consequence of the Captain having given up the organ. Heard the parson say in the evening that it was paid for and that he had the bill of lading in his pocket. He said also for my comfort that he should call upon me for my subscription.

The Sheriff advised me to write home by the first ship about my salary. He said he was offered the situation of Registrar, with a salary attached to it of £700 per annum.

+ City of Edinburgh

Friday April 15th

Rode to Fown morning. At business 9½ till 2, in Court. The Lt.-Governor sent for me. He brought me a letter which was directed to Father. It was brought as a letter of recommendation by a person in the Edinburgh Castle. He told me to read it and if it contained any thing by which he could serve the bearer, Lt. Burgh, R. N., he would do so.

With respect to my salary he said he hoped Earl Bathurst would put me on the same footing as Mr Butler, 600 year.

He told me my clerk had written to him for a greater salary in advance. He said he should send this letter to me and if I would recommend the thing he would do it.

He concluded by inviting me to dine with him tomorrow.

Rode home afterwards.

Poor Hood met with a sad accident somewhere in the country - he was brought home today. His horse threw him and fell upon him. The injury he received was very great. At first it was thought he could not live. Some of the bones about the hip were separated.

Signal up when I left Fown⁺

Saturday April 16th

Rode to Fown morning. At business 9½ till 3. No Court

Paid quarters dues	£304	to treasurer
Commenced an account with the Bank of V. D. L.		
Received quarters salary	£500	
Paid Christie for gun	£12-12-0	
Money borrowed	7	
Paid rent ½ year	42-0-0	
Fletcher gave me	15	
	_____	£27

Saw Innes, getting well fast.

Signal still up, 2 or 3 vessels in sight.

Walking with Chief Justice.

Dined with His Honor the Lt. Governor. met the Capt. Surgeon and officer of guard from the Lady East, Moodie and Dr. Seccombe.

Rode home afterwards, 10 o'clock.

See Gazette for account of the dinner on the 7 instant. A very curious account of what happened. A letter of mine signed 'Truth' appears in this week's Gazette.

Received from **Batey & Co.** blue surtout and 4 white waistcoats.

Sunday April 17th 1825

Rode to Fown morning. In Church alone. Rode out afterwards.

The vessels still in the River owing to contrary winds.

Writing and reading in evening.

Hood much better.

+ Entry for 15th April cross written

Monday 18th April

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 5½, in Court.
Rode home afterwards.

The vessels anchored this afternoon: the Governor Philip (Brig) from Isle of France with sugar etc., the Leopold† (colonial Brig) from Port Dalrymple with hay, the [left blank] convict ship from England. She had a passage of 3 months and 14 days. By her I received 2 letters from Louisa Matilda with a stock and 2 pairs of gloves. I received a very kind note from the Lt. Governor acquainting me that he had received an official communication from Earl Bathurst informing him of the confirmation of my appointment. I likewise received an invitation to dine with him on St. George's day, 23rd April.

Writing, reading in evening.

Tuesday April 19th

Rode to Town morning. At business 9½ till 8, in Court - last day.
Rode home afterwards.

The Endeavour cutter arrived from Sydney. No letters for me.

Wednesday April 20th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 12. Called to see Hood - he was getting well apace - had not received a letter from my Father. (received one by Elizabeth W.S.) Wentworth's business settled in England by my Father. Vide Beament's letter - he expects employment. Vide Kermode's letter. I did not get one from him by the last ship. Called upon Mrs Pedder and to see Innes (getting well fast)

The Lt. Governor had invited one merchant to dine with him (Mr Bethune) living in a state of adultery. Of course this annoyed all the other merchants and at which I was not at all surprized. They mean to dine together at Stodart's on St. George's day and Mr Kemp is to be Chairman, Mr Grant (Bethune's partner) sub Chairman. I'm sorry the Governor did this.

Signal up when I left Town.

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Paid Kemp & Co. for iron pots	2	-	1 - 0
Lent Fletcher £16-0-0			
Bought bran for mare	10	-	0

Thursday April 21st

at home all day, took medicine. Wet.

Writing and reading in the course of the day.

Received letters by the Elizabeth from Mother, sisters and brothers, Garrard and Warrington. Upon the whole - middling.

Upon getting up this morning I saw a ship at anchor in the River which of course surprized me never having seen a ship so high up before. The night was very dark and windy and the Captain missed Hobart Town. It proved to be the Elizabeth from London with 67 passengers and merchandize. She was only 98 days on her passage.

Poor Seecombe unwell.

The Cyprus, brig from the Isle of France and the Mermaid from Sydney arrived this day. The harbour now quite gay.

+ Prince Leopold

Friday April 22

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 12. Called on Mrs Pedder, Innes, Hood etc.

Rode out afterwards.

Writing, reading in evening. 1st⁺ letter delivered to S. Kemp.

Saturday 23rd

Rode to Town morning. Holiday - St. George's day.

Dined at Government House at large party between 50 and 60. Did not break up till 12 o'clock. Rode out afterwards.

There was a party to dine at Stodart's in honor of the day.

Rode home after leaving Government House.

Sunday April 24th

Rode to Town to Church. Called at Barracks. Rode out afterwards. Lamb dined with me, Fletcher did not dine at home.

Monday 25th

Rode to Town morning. A meeting of the Bible Society at the Court House which occupied most part of the day - His Honor the Lt. Governor was in the Chair. The meeting was most respectfully attended. Some good speeches were made. I seconded a motion. I put my name down as an annual subscriber for 2 guineas.

Rode out afterwards. Writing and reading in evening.

Paid Thomas for looking after mare 3 weeks 10-0
Lent Fletcher £12.

P.S. Saw a letter of Hood's to my Father - matter important.
Mrs Kent's mother wish
1000 years
appointment
Ditto Miss J. Rank
Abbott etc.

Tuesday April 26th

Rode to Town morning. At business 11 till 2. Called upon Hood. He is getting better fast. Rode home afterwards. Captain Wood with me. He dined with us.

Received answer to letter sent to E.K. on Thursday. A most cautious letter but still just what I could wish.

Wednesday April 27th

Rode to Town morning. At business 11 till 1. Called at Mrs Pedder's. Rode home for gun etc., sent them to Mr Kemp to be forwarded to the Cross Marsh.

Dined with the Chief Justice. Met the officers including Innes and Wood. Played a rubber of whist in evening. Left them at 12 o'clock. Rode home afterwards.

The Lady East sailed for Sydney.

+ Inserted later

Thursday April 23th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 1. Walking with Seccombe.
Rode home early. Walking about the farm. Writing in evening - business.

Paid Clark for bran 3-1-0
Wilkinson for wine 2-6-6

Friday April 29th

Rode to Town morning. At business 11 till 3½. Called upon Hood
(better) Rode to New Town afterwards. Writing and reading in evening.

Called upon the Lt. Governor to thank him for his kind note of the
[left blank] inst. Salary 7 May £600. The Mermaid sailed for Sydney. +

Saturday April 30th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Called to see Innes
(better) Rode out afterwards. Writing and reading in evening.

Received books Schultze & Co. 8/-

2 letter to J.A. [i.e. 2nd]

Sunday May 1st 1825

Rode to Town to Church. Called at Barracks. Rode out afterwards.
Writing in evening. 3 letter to J.A. [i.e. 3rd]

Monday May 2

Started off early in the morning to the Cross Marsh, Mr Kemp's, 32
miles. Arrived there about 3 o'clock. Called at Gage's on my way.

Carriage etc. £1

Tuesday 3 May

With George Kemp shooting at the Black Marsh, 3 miles from Cross Marsh.
Slept at Kemp's. John Abbott arrived at Kemp's about 5 o'clock.

Wednesday 4th May

With George Kemp and John Abbott shooting at the Black Marsh.
Slept at Kemp's.

Thursday 5th May

With J.K. and John Abbott shooting at the Hunting Pound etc. 3 miles
from Cross Marsh.

Capt. Clark's son and a gentleman with him called at the house about
12 o'clock at night. They were on their way to the Clyde. They stopd
all night.

Friday 6 May

Started off about 10 o'clock for Hobart Town with John Abbott. Arrived
at Gage's about 2½ o'clock, dined there. Crossed through water and
arrived at home (raining heavily) about 7 o'clock. Writing afterwards.
To servant 10/-

Saturday 7 May

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 2. Called upon His Honor
the Chief Justice and at Barracks.

Rode out afterwards. Lamb with us, he dined with us.

+ Entry for 29 April cross written

Gift to Ives (the poor fellow in great distress) £10

From this day my salary is to be £600 a year, so said the Lt. Governor on the 29 May [sic]

Sunday 8 May

Rode to Town to Church. Called at the Barracks afterwards. Rode home early. Writing in evening.

Mr Bedford unwell. Knopwood preached a most unkind sermon.

Monday 9th May

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Mrs Pedder. Rode out afterwards, Dr. Innes, Capt. Wright and Lt. G. Christie with us. They dined with us.

Called on Hood. wet.

Tuesday 10th May

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Called at Barracks, saw Innes etc. to sail tomorrow 12 o'clock - Innes very unwell. Rode out afterwards - wet.

Paid Walton for fencing 2s.

Called on Hood.

Wrote to Lt. Governor about allowance for stationery.

Wednesday 11th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 4. Called at Barracks in morning. Found that poor Innes, his brother and Wright were on board the Brig Governor Phillip (then in the River) for Sydney. I expected to have seen them again to day but they were ordered away in a hurry. Poor Innes, I almost fear he will never get over his illness. The uncertainty of human happiness fully exemplified in this fine young man.

Called on Hood.

Rode home afterwards - wet. Writing and reading in evening.

Paid bill (bank) for mare £65 - 0 - 0

Gave (subscription) to Bromley 10 - 0 - 0 Fletcher for [illegible] 3-0-0

Thursday 12th May 1825

Rode to Town morning. At business 10½ till 4. Rode out afterwards - wet. Seccombe with us. He dined with us. Reading in evening. Thermometer 51 9 morning

Friday 13th May

Rode to Town morning. At business 10½ till 4. Called on Hood. Rode out afterwards. Lamb with me - he dined with us. Writing in evening.

The Hugh Crawford ship from Sydney arrived to day. Received letter directed to my Father from Commander in Chief's office, opened it and sent it with a letter to the Lt. Governor per Von Bibra.

Bought whip 7- 6

Pencil case 5- 0

Broach 18- 0

Lent Christie 12/- (Paid suppose 10 auct.)

Thermometer 50 9 morning

+ Entry for 7 May cross written

Saturday May 14th

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Hood etc.
Rode out afterwards. Reading in evening.

Thermometer 45

Sunday May 15th

Rode to town to Church. Organ played for 1st time. Knopwood preached
a very good sermon.

Rode out directly after Church.

Gage called in the evening. To bed early.

Monday May 16

Rode to town morning - very wet. At business 10 till 3. Called
on Mrs Pedder and Hood. Rode out afterwards.

Drawing in the evening - ceiling for Court House, magistrates room.

Tuesday May 17

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Hood. Rode
out afterwards. Lamb dined with us.

Wednesday 18

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Hood
(getting well fast) called on Mrs Pedder. Rode out afterwards.

Spurs 10/-

Thursday 19th

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 12. Meeting at Governmant
House. Removal to Brighton in a large meeting. I attended. I think
the Lt. Governor has made up his mind upon the removal.

Had a fall from my horse and arm hurting at my right elbow joint. No
sleep on account of pain. Rode home.

Friday May 20

at home with bad arm.

Kemp, Seccombe and Crockett and Christie called to see me. Kemp,
Seccombe and Christie dined with us.

Saturday 21

At home. Mr and Mrs Dawes, Ross, Crockett and Bedford, parson, called.
Letter from Lt. Governor about allowance for stationery - given.

Sunday 22

at home. The St. Michael from Launceston arrived - lucky.

Monday 23

walked to town morning. At business 10 till 2. Called on Hood.
walked home afterwards. Writing and reading in evening.

4th to E.K.

Tuesday May 24th

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Mrs Pedder.
Rode out afterwards. Reading and writing in evening.

answer from E.K. 2d.

Wednesday May 25th

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 3.

Rode out afterwards, Christie with me. The two Martins, Mr Bedford and Mr Sinnott dined with us. Mr S. slept at our house.

Writing in evening.

Paid for pair of boots 2 - 0 - 0

Paid Walton balance for fencing £8 - 7 - 6

Wrote again to E.K. - 5th

Thursday 26th May

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 3. Called on Mrs Pedder.

Rode out afterwards. Writing in evening.

The Hugh Crawford sailed for Sydney.

Friday 27th May

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 3. Called on Mrs Lockyer and Mrs Cotton.

Rode out afterwards. Seccombe dined with us. Lamb came in after dinner.

Saturday 28th May

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 3. Walking afterwards.

Rode home afterwards. Reading in evening.

Lent Mr Ross £50.

Sunday May 29th

Rode to Town to Church. Called on Major Marley. Rode home afterwards. Writing and reading in evening.

Monday 30th May

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 3. Rode home afterwards. Reading in evening.

Paid Stodhart for wine £1-11-6

Thomas for looking after mare 5/- bran 10/-

Collicott for quarterly subscription for 'Australian' 12-6

Tuesday 31st May

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 3. Walking afterwards. Dined with the Solicitor General. Slept at Marley's.

Paid Schultze and Reid £3-12-6 for sundries for house.

wednesday 1 June 1825

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 3. Rode out afterwards.

Fletcher and myself dined with the Attorney General at Derwent Park. We went out afterwards duck shooting. A very cold night. We got home about $\frac{1}{2}$ past ten o'clock.

Thursday 2 June

Rode to Town morning. at business 10 till 1. Rode out afterwards.

Kemp, Seccombe, Fletcher and myself had a pidgeon match. Seccombe and myself beat the other two. We dined together afterwards.

Murdoch and Christie dined with us also.

Reading in evening. A very cold day.

Friday June 3 1825

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Walking afterwards.
Called at Mrs Pedder's. Dined with Major Morley. Rode home afterwards.
A very fine but a very cold night.

Saturday 4 June

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Mrs Pedder.
Rode out afterwards. Writing and reading in evening.
Answer from Lt. Governor about stationery - to have it from 31st [sic] June.

Sunday 5th June

Rode to Town to Church. Called on Crockett, walking with Christie etc.
Rode home afterwards. Reading in evening.

Monday 6th June

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called upon His Honor the Chief Justice and Hood. Walking with Mrs Pedder etc. Rode home afterwards. Drawing in evening - ceiling for Court House.
Wrote to M.K. Bless her.
Paid Christie 1-10-0

Tuesday 7th June

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3, jumping with Christie.
Drawn bet. Rode home afterwards.
Bought 6 pocket handkerchiefs 2-5-0
laundress 13-0
Reading in evening.
Answered M.K.

Wednesday 8th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode home afterwards.
Paid for shoeing mare 6-0
[illegible] for ditto 6-0
Thomas for looking after mare 5-0

Thursday June 9th

Lamb and Christie breakfasted with us. Started off together afterwards to Austin's ferry, Seecombe with us, to shoot a pidgeon match. Met Gage on the road who accompanied us and made one of our party. It was a drawn match, only 3 birds killed on each side from the trap - shocking! I did not kill one bird from the trap, neither did Gage altho' we were the favourites at starting. We dined together at Austin's ferry. Rode home afterwards. The day was unfavourable being wet. To bed early.

Friday June 10th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. First day of term. Called on Mrs Pedder and Murdoch. Rode home afterwards. Reading and writing in evening.
Paid Christie for black silk for cravat 1-7-0
Thomas for looking after mare 12-0
Saw Hood to day - a conversation took place about M.K. I wrote to her father on the subject.

Saturday June 11th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Mrs Pedder and Murdoch and Hood.

Rode home afterwards. Mr Kemp returned from the country to day. Hamilton spoke to me about my father's property. Reading and writing in evening.

Sunday June 12th

Rode to Town to Church. M.A. was not there.

Called at the Barracks, walking with the Chief Justice etc.

Rode home afterwards. Christie dined with us and slept at our house.

Monday 13th June

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Rode home afterwards. Saw Hood. Received an answer from Mr Kemp approving of my becoming a suitor to M.A. Another letter to Mr Kemp.

Tuesday 14th June

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 12. Dr. Hood went with me to Kemp's and introduced me to the family. Spoke to Elizabeth for first time to day - dined there etc. and stopped till 10 o'clock in the evening, played at cards etc. Rode home alone afterwards.

I found Elizabeth every thing I could wish her to be and likewise her Mother etc.

Wednesday 15th June

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemp's, stayed till 11 o'clock evening. Rode home alone afterwards. Elizabeth improving on acquaintance.

Thursday June 16th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Lunched with Dawes. Dined at Kemp's, stayed there till 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Rode home alone afterwards.

The Lallah Rook Ship with merchandize arrived this day from Liverpool.

Friday June 17th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Capt. Lockyer's at the Barracks, met the Judge, Mrs Pedder etc. Got queer. Rode home afterwards, Fletcher with me. Called at Kemp's.

Saturday 18th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemp's, stayed there till 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock. Rode home alone afterwards.

Sunday 19th June

Rode to Town morning to Church. Went to Church with Elizabeth. At Kemp's all day till 10 o'clock afterwards. Rode home alone.

Monday 20th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemp's, stayed there till 10 o'clock. Rode home alone afterwards.

Bought paper etc. 7-6

Gloves 7-6

Called at the Judge's.

Tuesday 21 June

Rode to Town morning. Rode to Austins Ferry with Mr Kemp and Elizabeth etc. Dined at Kemps. Rode home alone at 11 o'clock.

Wednesday 22

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemp's. Rode home alone at 10 o'clock.

Gloves 15-0
Received from Kemp black hat

Thursday 23

Rode to Town morning. Called on Mrs Pedder. Rode with Mrs K. and Elizabeth to the 5 Mile Stones. Dined at Kemp's. Rode home alone afterwards.

Paid Frazer on account 5-0-0

Vessel in sight.

Friday 24th June

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Went to Kemp's at 4. Stayed till 6. Dined with His Honor the Chief Justice. Met the Lt. Governor, Col. Balfour etc. Slept at the Judges.

The Cumberland from Sydney arrived.

[illegible] 5/-

Saturday 25th

Breakfasted at the Judges. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemps. Rode home afterwards alone.

The Nereus Brig arrived from Sydney with wheat.

Gave men for repairing bridge 10/-
Gloves for Mrs P. 11/-

Sunday June 26th

Rode to Town morning to Church with E.K. At Kemps the rest of the day. Rode home 10 o'clock alone.

Monday 27th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Mrs Lockyer and Mrs Pedder. Dined at Kemps. Rode home alone afterwards.

The new Government paper came out last Friday - a rascally production.

Bromley's right in my father's property sold by the Crown last week bought at my suggestion by the Trustees.

Tuesday 28th

Rode to Town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemps', rode home alone afterwards.

The Harvey sailed for Sydney. Wrote to Boyes.

Paid Stephen for great coat £7-10-0

Wednesday 29th

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3. Called on Mrs Lockyer and Mrs Pedder with Mrs and Col. Balfour. Dined at Kemps, rode home alone afterwards.

Gloves for Mrs Pedder 11/-

Thursday June 30th

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemps'. Rode home alone afterwards.

Paid Thomas for looking after mare 10/-

Present, brooch 4.4.

Friday July 1st

Rode to town morning. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemps, rode home alone afterwards.

The William Shand Ship arrived from England. Received a letter from my father and 1 from my brother Edward and sister Harriet - pretty good.

Received from Wilson pair boots £2-2-0 paid

Saturday July 2

Early to town morning. At business 10 till 3.

2 to 8th

At business daily. Dined at Kemp's every day. Slept at Stodarts on Friday.

Saturday July 7th [overwritten 9th]

Breakfasted at Stodarts. At business 10 till 3. Dined at Kemps. Slept there.

Looking gun etc. £4-0-0

Shoeing mare 7-0

Lamb entered our house this day.

Sunday July 8th [overwritten 10th]

at Kemps all day, slept there. To Church with the young ladies, sat in their pew.

Monday July 9th

Up early to New town with George Kemp. Breakfasted at home. Started off at 9 o'clock with Gage, Seccombe, Martin, Lamb, Christie to Austins. Shot a pidgeon match for a dinner (our side the winners) Dined at Austins, rode home afterwards, got home by 6 o'clock.

Tuesday 10th

Rode to town morning. At Kemps from 11 till 4. Dined with His Honor the Chief Justice and Capt. and Mrs Lockyer etc. Rode home alone afterwards.

Wednesday 11th to Saturday 22

at business every day the accustomed hours. Dined at Kemps almost every day, slept there also.

The William Shand and the Mary Hope sailed for Sydney - wrote to Bannister - the Nereus for Port Dalrymple. The Elizabeth arrived from Sydney with 7 officers and 185 men of the 40th to relieve the Buffs.

Paid Thomas for looking after mare 10-0
Frazer on account 5- 0-0

Frosty weather and latterly much rain.

My shipmate Capt. Hibbert arrived with detachments of the 40th.

July 23 to Augt. 10th

Dined and slept at Kemps courting and not able to attend to my private business, Judge's!

Christie left with his detachment on the 10th this day in the Elizabeth.

Paid sundry bills, bought furniture etc. Kemp made me a present through Hood of £100.

Rode home this day. Dined at home, settling accounts with Fletcher.

Thursday Augt.

Rode to town morning. at business etc. Bought sundry things for house. Dined and slept at Kemps.

Friday Augt

at business 10 till 1 etc., looking after house etc. Dined at home settling accounts with Fletcher etc. in evening.