

## The Dillwyn Collection

The Journals of Lewis Weston Dillwyn (b.1778 d.1855)

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<b>1836</b> <b>JANUARY</b>
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- Friday 1                    The Dyffryn Family left us before 12 & I drove alone to attend the final meeting of the Town Council where from a strange jumble of circumstances I votes for Col Cameron & he was elected Mayor. Capt Brandeth[?] of the Royal Engineers, Howell Gwyn & Thos. Thomas the new Town Clerk dined with us
- Saturday 2                Remained all day at Sketty
- Sunday 3                 All except dear Mamma who was not well went to Church
- Monday 4                Drove to attend a Harbor Meeting at Swansea & little Mary who accompanied me went on the Penllergare
- Tuesday 5                I remained all day at Sketty
- Wednesday 6            Mr & Mrs Grant came on a Visit for a couple of days. The Heathfield Family & R Mansel dined with us
- Thursday 7              John & Emma came in the afternoon & with the Grants accompanied us in the Evening to a grand Ball at Singleton. Mr & Mrs Moggridge & some[?] Mr Jeffries, A Friend of his also dined with us
- Friday 8                 The Grants & John & Emma left us early in the afternoon, & I then drove to attend a Town Council
- Saturday 9               Drove in the afternoon for a couple of hours to Swansea, where I hurt my Toe
- Sunday 10               Prevented by a sore Toe from wearing Shoes. The Family except Fan & I went to St Mary's Church
- Monday 11               Toe sore & I did not move out all day. Lewis went round by Penllergare to sleep at Loughor for the sake[?] & some Wild Duck shooting tomorrow
- Tuesday 12              Did not go out. It is my dear Johns Birthday but the keeping of it has been put off till tomorrow. Lewis went late to Mr Barry's Ball at Swansea & slept at the Mackworth Arms

Wednesday 13 John & Emma & their precious Pet arrived to stop here as the old part of Penllergare is already partly pulled down. We kept Johns Birth day & called this the 12th

Thursday 14 Mr & Mrs & Miss Vivian & Harry with a Friend of theirs, the Revd Mr Grylls, & T E Thomas & his Son dined with us. Also Capt Wheatly who has brought his Hounds to Singleton

Friday 15 Drove to attend a Town Council at Swansea

Saturday 16 Our dear little Granddaughter alarmed us by a fit of Croup & Mr Bird was sent for. I did not go from home

Sunday 17 Little Theresa better, but neither her Mama or Grandmama liked to leave her. I went with Miss Mary & John & Lewis to St Mary's Church

Monday 18 Remained at home

Tuesday 19 Remained at home

Wednesday 20 Drove for an hour or two with Lewis to the Pottery

Thursday 21 Remained allday at home

Friday 22 Drove to attend a Town Council at Swansea. Mr & Mrs Berrington & Miss Ross came to Tea, & soon after members[?] joined a party at Singleton & drove together to a Fancy Ball at Swansea. I was in my full Court Dress, John as Deputy Lieut, Lewis in a splendid Beau's Dress of the reign of Charles 1st, Emma as a Swiss Peasant & Mary & our Girls in handsome fancy Dresses. It was past 5 on Saturday morning when we reached home

Saturday 23 Remained all day at home & plagued by a sort of Sciatica

Sunday 24 The rest of the Family went to Church & I took some strong Medicine for the relief of my Sciatica

Monday 25 Still teased by Sciatica & did not leave home. Sr C Cole came to dine & sleep here

Tuesday 26 Breakfasted early & as senior Alderman of the Upper Ward drove to the old Town Hall, & superintended the Election of four Town Counsellors. Finished by ½ past 4 & got home to Dinner

Wednesday 27 Remained allday at home

Thursday 28 Mr M Moggridge arrived early on a Visit to us & went with John & Lewis to shoot on Fairwood Moor. In the afternoon I drove with Emma

& miss Mary for an hour to Swansea. Richd Jeffreys & Mr Sockett joined our party at Dinner

- Friday 29 I drove & was all day engaged in a Town Council for Swansea. Moggridge & Lewis again went to shoot in Fairwood. Mrs Hewson & one of her Daughters & Mr Rice Berrington dined with us
- Saturday 30 Not being well I remained all day at home
- Sunday 31 Mary bach went with John & Emma & Lewis with Mr Moggridge to Church & the latter afterwards left us. I remained & read the Service at home to the rest of the Family

<b>FEBRUARY</b>
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- Monday 1 Remained allday at home
- Tuesday 2 Drove to Swansea & compleated my assignment of the Pottery to Lewis.
- Wednesday 3 Not well [crossed out]. Spent the whole day at home
- Thursday 4 Mr D Edwards at my request came over to be with two of my Servants Witness to a Will which I this day executed
- Friday 5 Drove with John to hold a Petty Sessions at Llangafelach, & afterwards to attend a Town Council at Swansea
- Saturday 6 I had not intended to start for London till Monday but a letter from Town has altered my plans. In the afternoon I drove with Mary for an hour to Swansea & went at 10 to sleep at the Mackworth Arms
- Sunday 7 Started about ½ past 6 in the Mail & at a little before 7 reached the York House at Bath
- Monday 8 The Coach from the York House being full I started in the White Hart Coach at ¼ past 7 & owing to the badness of the Roads it was 8[?] when we reached London. I went to Apartments which Stuart[?] had engaged for me on trial at 10 New Palace Yard, & then to the House of Commons which broke up in a ¼ of an hour after
- Tuesday 9 Called on Dr Sims & etc. Went to the House about 4. Dined at Bellamys. Voted twice against the proposed transfer of the Subscriptions now paid by Members to the Officers of the House to the Treasury, & for transferring the situation of the new House to the neighbourhood of St James. Got home soon after 12

Wednesday 10 Went to the House about 4. It adjourned till tomorrow at 9[?] & I dined at the Atheneum

Thursday 11 Went to the House about 4. Dined at Bellamys. It adjourned early & I got home soon after 9

Friday 12 Plagued last night by a Pain in my side for which I took advice of my friend Dr Frank, & went without any Dinner & etc. Attended the House soon after four & engaged it wanted to attend again if sent for. Spent the Evening rather dolefully at home

Saturday 13 Did not move out till 2 by Dr Franks advice. I got an early Dinner at the Atheneum & returned soon after 5 to spent the Evening at home

Sunday 134 Very unwell & except to meet Dr Frank at the Atheneum I did not stir out & by his advice took some more strong medicine

Monday 15 Better. Again mer Dr Frank at the Atheneum where I got an early Dinner & afterwards went to the House & remained there till after 12, except that I walked up for an hour to a Ballot at the Atheneum

Tuesday 16 Made some Calls. Dined at Bellamys & remained in the House till 10

Wednesday 17 Chiefly amused myself with Botany at my Apartments. Dined at the Atheneum. Went to the House & remained there till ½ past 10

Thursday 18 Made some Calls. Went to the House. Dined at Bellamy's, & about 9 returned home on an arrangement that I should be sent for in the Event of a division

Friday 19 Attended a Merthyr Committee at the House. Crawshay spent an hour with me in the afternoon. Dined at Bellamy's & remained in the House till ½ past 11

Saturday 20 Crawshay came to see me on Business early & I was otherwise much occupied by Parliamentary affairs. For a walk went to Charlswood about some Seeds for John. Dined at Mr George Crawshays, 1 Montague St, Russel Square & returned home at 10

Sunday 21 When I was preparing in the aft to go to Church Crawshay unexpectedly called to consult with [me] on parliamentary affairs respecting the Merthyr Bills, & I had only time to get a Walk as far as the Atheneum. Dined at 7 at Alderman Thompsons. Afterwards went for half an hour to the Atheneum & it was near 12 when I got home

Monday 22 Busy all day on Parliamentary affairs. Crawshay at 4 accompanied me to the House & dined with me at Bellamys. Voted in the minority for the

2nd reading of Stephenson's Brighton railway Bill & it was near one when I got to Bed

Tuesday 23 Dined at the Atheneum & remained in the House from ½ past 5 till 2 to support the suppression of Orange Lodges

Wednesday 24 No House. Dined at Sir Chs Lemons & came home at 11

Thursday 25 Busy with Crawshay & others on parliamentary affairs. Went to the House at 4 & voted in the majority on the Aberdare public Schools Bill. Dined at Mr Geo Crawshays & came away soon after 9. Remained in the House till near 4 & voted repeatedly in the majority for the Poole Municipal Enquiry

Friday 26 Much engaged in Parliamentary Business. Went to the House at 4. Voted in the majority for the Paving[?] Bill. Walked to dine at the Atheneum & returned to the House where I remained till past 12

Saturday 27 Much engaged by Business in the morning. Dined at the Atheneum, & remained gossiping there till near 12

Sunday 28 Called on Gurney, Guest & Vivian. Attended afternoon Service at St Margarets & Dined with Sir C & Lady Mary Cole at Gordons Hotel

Monday 29 Had a Meeting at my House of Crawshay, Blakemores, Jos Bailey, Revd Geo Thomas & near a Dozen others. Afterwards acted as Chairman at the House of the Glamorganshire Canal Bill & in the Evening voted with the Majority for rejecting the Gravesend Rail Road Bill. Afterwards dined late at the Atheneum & from thence returned & remained in the House till after 12

## MARCH

Tuesday 1 Weather bad & I did not go out till 3. At 4 reported as Chairman of the Glamorgan Canal that the standing orders had not been complied with. Dined at Bellamys & as the House was counted out returned to my apartments about 8

Wednesday 2 Very busy all the morning. Dined at Vivians. Went back to the House with Lord Chs[?] Stuart & Vivian & voted for the Poole Municipal Enquiry. Got home soon after 12

Thursday 3 Busy about a Standing orders Committee. The Glamorgan Compy gave me a very handsome Dinner at the Piazza Cofee [sic] House & I was high;y gratified by the strong expressions of obligation & approbation

which were bestowed on my attentions[?] to the County Business. Retd to the House soon after 9 & at 11 got to my Apartments

- Friday 4                      Variously busy in the morning. went to the House at 4 & dined with Jos Bailey at bellamy's, & remained in the House till it broke up soon after 12
- Saturday 5                    In the afternoon made some Calls, & recovered the proposed Settlement in the marriage of my dear Fan which I had feared was lost. Dined at Chas Barclays & ret'd home about 12
- Sunday 6                     Met a party about the Merthyr Canal Bill. Attended Evening Service at St James Church. Dined at the Atheneum & returned home & to Bed seen after 8
- Monday 7                    Having got its defects cured by the Standing Orders Committee I took in the Glamorganshire Canal Enlargement Bill. Franklen dined with me at Bellamys & I remained in the House till 2 when the debate on the Irish Municipal Bill was adjourned
- Tuesday 8                    Left the House at 6 to dine at Crawshays where I remained till near 10, & then returned to the House & at 4 voted in the Majority with Ministers for the Irish Corp'n Bill
- Wednesday 9                Much jaded through having been up so late in a hot & crowded House for 2 nights. Dined early at the Atheneum, & went to Bed about 8
- Thursday 10                 Weather very coarse[?]. Spent the morning at the Linnean Society. At 4 reported the Aberavon Bill to be irregular & moved its refl [?] to the Standing Orders. Dined at Bellamy's & Jos Bailey came with me to my Apartments for Tea. Remained afterwards in the House till 2, & voted with Ministers in a Majority of only 10, against abolishing the Tax on Gin Shops
- Friday 11                    Variously busy in the morning. Dined early at the Atheneum & reached the House soon after 4 where I remained till past 11. Voted twice in Majority against a reduction of 5000 men in the Army & against a reduction of the Household Brigade
- Saturday 12                 Busy about Swansea Harbor Bill & other matters. Weather very bad & I got wet. Dined at Crawshays & got to Bed at 10
- Sunday 13                    Caught a sore throat by sitting in wet shoes at the Swansea Harbor Committee. Walked to Dr Sims & by his advice got an early light Dinner at the Atheneum about ½ past 3, & returned to spend the Evening at home

- Monday 14 Variesly employed in the morning. Went to the House at 4 & left it sitting before 12. Dined at bellamy's in the kitchen with Crawshay, Baily & etc
- Tuesday 15 Drove with Dr Sims in his Chariot to dine at Mr Bevans at Tottenham where I met Mr & Mrs Alexander. The Dr took me back to the House of C & I remained there till near one & voted in the majority against Hardings[?] Motion for a repeal of the Soap Duty
- Wednesday 16 Variesly busy. Dined at Pendarvis's[?] in Eaton Place. House adjourned as there was not 40 members present at 4
- Thursday 17 Variesly busy. Got an early Dinner at the Atheneum. Went at 5 to the House & voted in numerous vexatious divisions made by the Radicals & in support of the Macclesfield small debts Bill, & as they were determined to persevere the House adjourned at ¼ to 8 when I went to my apartments
- Friday 18 Went for a couple of hours to the Linnean Society. Attended at the House at 4, & took in the Aberavon Bill, & numerous petitions against Merthyr & Cardiff Rail Road. Voted for the Macclesfield Bill which was at last carried by a large Majority. Left the House sitting at one & went to Bed
- Saturday 19 Went with Crawshay & etc to see a new Gas Light at Enderby's Manufacturing between Greenwich & Woolwich & we returned by a Steamer. Dined at Crawshays
- Sunday 20 Very unwell & tho' the Weather was delightful I only went out in the afternoon to Church & to get some Dinner at the Atheneum
- Monday 21 The Merthyr & Cardiff Rail Road went into Committee & I attended it. Soon after 4 I got the Glamorgan Canal Bill read a second time without the expected opposition & went to dine at the Atheneum. Returned to the House, & except that I walked to a Ballot at the Atheneum o vote for Lord Selkirk I remained there till past 2
- Tuesday 22 Engaged early about & from 12 to 4 in the Rail Road Committee. Walked for some Dinner to the Atheneum & returned to the House & remained there till about one
- Wednesday 23 After Breakfast walked to Albermarle St to say goodbye to Sir Chr & Lady M Cole who are on the Wing for Wales. Remained in the Committee for 12 to 4. Dined at bellamys & remained there till it broke up at ½ past 10. Spoke in defense of the mode of voting at the Dublin Society, but voted for a Committee of enquiry respecting its other proceedings
- Thursday 24 Engaged on the Rail Road Committee till 4. Dined at Crawshays with a large party. Returned to the House & got to bed at 11



Friday 25 Engaged in the Committee as yesterday. Dined at the Atheneum. Went soon after 5 to the House, & returned home leaving the House still sitting at 11

Saturday 26 Started by the ....[?] House[?] Coach at 7 & reached the Bush Inn at Bristol about 8

Sunday 27 Started by the Mail at ¼ past 9 & at about ½ past 7 found all well at 'dulce[?] Domum'

Monday 28 John came over to see me & being somewhat tired & the Weather very coarse I did not go out. Mr Moggridge (now a regular visitor) spent the whole day & dined here

Tuesday 29 Drove to Swansea & brought back my Solicitor Mr Frampton to prepare the marriage Setts of my dear Fan. He dined & slept here

Wednesday 30 Busy most of the day with Mr Frampton about the settlement & other Business

Thursday 31 Drove to meet John & held a Petty Sessions at Llangafelach & returned by Penllergare to dine at home

<b>APRIL</b>
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Friday 1 Good Friday - it snowed heavily all day & none of us went to Church

Saturday 2 Mr Moggridge went to Woodfield. I drove to meet Mr Frampton at Swansea about Fans marriage settlement

Sunday 3 Attended the Mayor in State to Church where we all except Fan went in the morning

Monday 4 Drove to attend a Harbor Meeting, respecting the Bill now in Parliament for improving it. John & Emma & their precious Chick came to us & also Sir Chr & Lady M Cole on a visit. Capt Hickey dined with us

Tuesday 5 Rained hard the whole day & none of us could go out

Wednesday 6 Sir Chr went with Mary & Fan to Swansea & I remained all day at home

Thursday 7 After breakfast Sir Chr & Lady M Cole went to Penrice & John & Emma with their darling accompanied them. In the morning drove to attend a Town Council

Friday 8 Drove in with Mary & Fan & attended a Harbor Meeting at which Mr Henry Tennant indulged in a long tirade of buctum[?] fulmen[?] against our new Harbor Bill. Mr Moggridge came to us in the afternoon

Saturday 9 Drove with Miss Mary to attend an adjourned Meeting of the new Harbor Bill. Went in the close Carriage from having the Earache

Sunday 10 Mr Moggridge & Lewis both unwell & only the 3 Ladies went to Church

Monday 11 I drove for an hour with Mr Moggridge to Swansea. Penrice & his nephew, Mr & Mrs Rees Berrington & Rawleigh Mansel dined with us

Tuesday 12 Remained all day at Sketty

Wednesday 13 Occupied all day at Swansea in a Harbor Meeting & returned to dinner

Thursday 14 Being much unwell I could not attend the Town Council & remained all day at Sketty. John & emma & their little one returned to us from Penrice

Friday 15 Attended & took the Chair of a Harbor Meeting for 4 hours at Swansea, & returned home very unwell. Miss Morris dined with us

Saturday 16 Took some strong medicine & did not go out

Sunday 17 Took more strong Medicine & neither John or I was well enough to go out. The rest of the Family went to Church

Monday 18 Went to Swansea & attended a Harbor Meeting. Dear John quite ill & confined to his Room attended by Mr Bird

Tuesday 19 With John & Emma we went in 4 Carriages to St Mary's Church were our dear Fan was married by the Revd Dr Hewson to Mr M Moggridge, & we all returned immediately afterwards to Sketty. The new couple having lunched with us went to spend a few days at Penllergare on their way to Tenby

Wednesday 20 Started soon after 5 & went by Mail to the York House at Bath to dine & sleep

Thursday 21 Reached my old Quarters at 10 New Palace Yard soon after 8. Went immediately to the H of Commons & did not get to Bed till 2 o'clock

Friday 22 Attended the Merthyr Railway Committee till the House met where I had several Petitions to present. Dined at the Atheneum, returned to the House & remained there till past 3. Voted twice with Ministers for confirming[?] the report of the Committee respecting the charges which Hardy brought against him[?]

Saturday 23 Nasty weather. No Committee. Dined at Crawshays & went to bed at 10

- Sunday 24 A cold wind & violent Rain with [sic] any interruption all day. In hopes of its clearing I went in the afternoon to the Atheneum with the intent of calling on Vivian, Talbot, Gurney & etc & of going to Church but I could not stir out till I came home & went early to Bed
- Monday 25 Walked to Miles & Edwards about a present for Fan. Attended Merthyr Rail Road Committee from 12 to 4. Dined at Atheneum. Remained in the House till after 12 & voted twice in Committee on the Registration Bill
- Tuesday 26 Went after breakfast to the Linnean Society. Attended Rail Road Committee from 12 to 4 & voted in the Minority for the 2nd reading of the Great Northern Rail Road Bill, tho' I am satisfied of its being a Humbug. Got shut out (through having been called away on merthyr Business) from the Division or should have voted against Rippons Motion for turning out the Bishops from the Lords. Dined at Bellamy's & got home soon after 8
- Wednesday 27 For a walk went after Breakfast to Miles & Edwards, & as the Merthyr Committee had adjourned till tomorrow I attended the Committee in the Royal Society of Dublin. Did not leave the House till past 12 & dined at Bellamy's. Voted in the Minority for Lord Chandos Motion in support of the Agricultural Interests
- Thursday 28 Attended the Merthyr (ie Taff Rail Road) Committee till 4, Dined at the Atheneum. Retd to the House & remained till it broke up at ½ past 10
- Friday 29 Attended the Merthyr Committee till 4. Dined at the Atheneum. Went to the House & remained till past 12. Divided with Ministers in Committee[?] in Registration Bill
- Saturday 30 Called at Vivians. Attended Lamberts Botanical Levee & afterwards went to meet Sir Phillip Egerton & Lord Cole at Loddiges. Dined at the Atheneum & went early to bed

<b>MAY</b>
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- Sunday 1 Called at Gurneys, on Mrs Jenner & Talbot. At ½ past 3 attended Service at St Margarets. Dined at H Gurneys where I met my old Friend the Honr & Revd Armine Wodehouse<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>The Revd Armine Woodhouse, 3rtd son of 1st Baron Woodhouse. Baprised 12 March 1776. Married 23 December 1815 Amelia, 3rd daughter of Sir Thomas Beauchamp Proctor, Bart. Dsp 9 April 1853.

- Monday 2 The sudden death of Lady Glengall prevented Talbot from attending the Taff VAle Committee & obliged me to take the Chair in his place. Dined at the Atheneum & attenmded the House on the Tithe Commutation Bill till after 12
- Tuesday 3 Attended as Chairman the Taff Vale Committee, & decided the second resolution 18 to 9. Voted against my Judgement for an inconsiderate[?] engagement, in the Minority for the second reading of the Midland Bill. Went to dine at the Atheneum. Returned to the House & voted against the admission of Ladies in the Minority, & with the immense Majority in defence of Lord Brudenell. Got to Bed at one
- Wednesday 4 Attended as Chairman the Rail Road Committee from 12 to 4 when I went to the House. At 6 went to dine at the Atheneum & on my return at ½ past 7 it was on the point of being counted out. Went very early to Bed
- Thursday 5 Went at 12 to the Rail Committee which adjourned at one till tomorrow. Went at 4 to the House which was counted out at ½ past. Dined at Crawshays
- Friday 6 Sat from 12 to 4 in the Chair of the Rail Road Committee. At 4 went to the House & voted against Pertalhope[?] Chapelry Bill. Dined at Bellamys & supported Ministers on the Bishopric of Durham Bill. Got home about ½ past one
- Saturday 7 Executed various errands at the Stamp Office & called at Lamberts. About 10 I went to see a new Farce at the Haymarket called 'Rail Roads for Ever'
- Sunday 9 People[?] with me on County Business in the morning. Went out about one. Called on Lord Cawdor & etc. Attended afternoon Service at St Margarets & dined at Lord James Stuarts
- Monday 9 My dear Fans Birthday. Engaged by people on County Business till 12. Occupied the Chair of the Rail Road Committee from 12 till 4 when I went to the House to support a Motion in favor of the Glamorgan Canal Bill & was ...[?] by a Majority of 82 to 42. Went to dine at the Atheneum & hurried back to oppose a Bill for rescinding a Clause in the Factories regulation Bill. Voted accordingly in the division at ½ past one in the minority against Ministers 178 to 176
- Tuesday 10 Took a short walk. Attended the Committee as heretofore from 12 to 4. Dined at the Atheneum & voted in the Majority for an amendment on Husbands Bill with respect to Rail Roads & repeatedly with Ministers in Committee on the Tithe Commutation Bill
- Wednesday 11 Took ½ an hours walk. Attended the Merthyr Committee from 12 to 4 & then at my own Apartments met Vivian & a Swansea Deputation about our

- Harbor Bill. Dined at the Atheneum & then went to & remained at the House till I left it sitting & went to Bed at ½ past 10
- Thursday 12 No Committee. Went in a Boat to the Physic Garden at Chelsea. Dined early at Bellamys. Met a party on the Swansea Harbor Bill at my House at 4. Attended the House till 11. Supported Ministers in the Tithe Commutation Bill
- Friday 13 Merthyr Committee adjourned soon after one & I then went to the Dublin Royal Committee which also adjourned. Dined early at the Atheneum. Went to the House & remained till ½ past 12 to support the Tithes Commutation Bill
- Saturday 14 Went to the grand show at the Horticultural Societies' Gardens & returned in Mrs Pendavis's Carriage about 6. Dined at the Atheneum & went very early to Bed
- Sunday 15 Went to Bishopgate Church with intent of attending Morning Service, but could not in a ... seat vacant, & walked great part of the way to dine with my Sister Mrs Jansen at Walthamstow. Returned to the Atheneum for an hour & came early to Bed
- Monday 16 Attended at 11, at the Speakers old House to hold a Committee on the Glamorganshire Canal Bill. Nobody appeared at 12 & the Bill was withdrawn. At 12 I again took the Chair of the Railway Bill in Great George Street, & when it closed at 4 went to 47 Parliament Street, & as referee settled the remaining differences respecting the Bill. At ½ past 5 went to the House & voted for the Aberdulais School recon... Dined at Vivians. returned to the House at 11 & got home as the Clock struck 12
- Tuesday 17 After breakfast went to see T Thomas at Hatchetts & to a Meeting at Vivians about the Swansea Harbor Bill. From 12 till ½ past 4 sat on the Merthyr Committee. Went to the House & voted in the minority against the Newcastle & Tynemouth Rail Road. Dined at the Atheneum. Returned to the House. Voted in the Majority against Wallace's Motion on the Electoral proceedings in Carlow. Got to Bed at ½ past 12
- Wednesday 18 Took the Chair of the Merthyr Committee at 11, & by much exertion we got through the Bill at ½ past 4. Walked up to dine with Dr Sims. Returned to the House & remained till 12. Voted for Dem... Motion against any Tithe on Fish
- Thursday 19 Preparing to spend the Whitsun Holidays at home. Went to the House at 4 & it broke up early. My dear Lewis's Birthday. Dined at Crawshays

Friday 20 Started by the Emerald Coach soon after 8 & at a little before 10 reached Bristol. Slept at the Bush. An oppressively hot & dirty Journey

Saturday 11 Left Bristol by Mail at ¼ past 9, & soon after 7 I found all well at Dulce Domum

Sunday 22 Much fatigued I remained all day at home & read the Evening Service to the Family. Mr & Mrs Moggridge, little Mary, & Lewis went to Church in the morning

Monday 23 Drove over early with Mary to Penllergare & returned to Dinner at Sketty

Tuesday 24 Drove with the two Mary's to Swansea & attended a Harbor meeting

Wednesday 25 Remained all day at home, busy with Moggridge about some improvements at our Pond

Thursday 26 While at a Harbor Meeting at Swansea I heard of the approaching Event & immediately returned to Sketty where I soon afterwards heard that our dear Emma had been safely delivered of a Boy at 10 o'clock. The two Mary's immediately drove to Penllergare & remained there till late

Friday 27 Drove with Granny to Penllergare to see our newly arrived Grandson, & a fine whacking Fellow he seemed to be. Returned to dine at Sketty

Saturday 28 Drove to Swansea. Looked over the Pottery with Lewis & etc. Returned to Sketty soon after 3, when I found John with excellent accounts from Penllergare, spending an hour there

Sunday 29 We all went to St Mary's Church in the morning & I read the Evening Service to the Family

Monday 30 Lewis & Moggridge busying in emptying preparatory for cleaning out the large Pond in the Field which has not been cleaned for 35 years. Mary & Mrs M drove over to spend the afternoon & dine at Penllergare & in exchange John came over to dine with me

Tuesday 31 Not being very well I did not leave home allday

<b>JUNE</b>
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Wednesday 1 After an early breakfast at home I started in the Palmerston Steamer at 8, & was landed at the Hotwells soon after 6. Went on to sleep at the York House, Bath

Thursday 2            The earlier coaches being full I started soon after ½ past 8. Went to the House for an hour, & then being greatly tired to Bed

Friday 3              Engaged from 11 to 5 on the Committee or otherwise on the Swansea Harbor Bill. Walked with Talbot to a Marble Manufactory at Millbank. Dined at the Atheneum, & as I had not recovered from the fatigue of my Journey I went early to bed

Saturday 4            Variously employed in Errands. Went to Lamberts Levee. Dined at the Atheneum & attended the Soiree at Babbages[? Babbingers]. Returned with Mr & Mrs Gurney to St James Square & gossiped there till near 2

Sunday 5              Made some Calls. Attended afternoon Service at St Margarets. Dined at Crawshays & went early to Bed

Monday 6             Took a walk soon after breakfast. Attended Swansea Harbor Committee from 12 till 4. At 4 went to the House. Dined at Bellamy's & except that I walked for some Tea to the Atheneum I remained in the House till ½ past 12

Tuesday 7            At 10 I met a deputation from the Trustees & at 12 attended the Harbor Committee as heretofore. Dined at Bellamy's & remained in the House till 12. Voted in the Majority 92 to 60 against Buckingham's claims

Wednesday 8        Took a walk to Covent Garden. Attended the Harbor Committee from 12 till 4. Dined at Bellamy's & remained in the House till near 11 when I left it sitting & went to Bed

Thursday 9            Went early in a Boat to the Physic Garden at Chelsea & returned to the Swansea Harbor Committee which has adjourned for 10 days. Dined at the Atheneum & went & remained in the House till past 12 when the debate on the Lords Amendments on the Irish Bill was adjourned

Friday 10             Went early to Loddiges & got back to the Committee on the Royal Dublin Society. Except that I went to the Atheneum for some Dinner I remained in the House till near 4 & voted with Ministers in the Majority of 86 on the Irish municipal Bill

Saturday 11          Engaged on some County Business in the morning, & in the afternoon went to the Horticultural Show at Turnham Green. Dined at the Kings Tynter[?] & went afterwards to Babbages party. It was about one when I got home

Sunday 12            After dining at Crawshays I had determined to go to Bed soon after nine, but first took a stroll to the Atheneum & there found Lord Cawdor in search of me, & we gossiped on till it was again morning when I went to Bed

- Monday 13 Attended a morning sitting of the House to consider of the Lords amendments to the Irish Municipal Bill. Dined at the Atheneum
- Tuesday 14 Weather very hot. Went to the Linn [sic] Society & etc. Except that I went to the Atheneum for some Dinner I attended the House from 4 till 2 o'clock. Voted in the minority in a random [?] Division on the Irish Municipal Bill
- Wednesday 15 Went on Business to the City, Grays Inn & etc. Dined early at Bellamys. No House for want of attendance. Spent the Evening at the Atheneum
- Thursday 16 Went with the Vivians to Loddiges. Returned to the House at 4. Dined at Bellamys & remained in the House till near 2. Voted repeatedly on various points on the registration of voters Bill
- Friday 17 Went to Yancels[?] Linn[ean] Society & etc. Went to the House at 4. Dined at Bellamy's & remained till 1 o'clock. Voted repeatedly on the registration of Electors Bill, & opposed Ministers on the Clauses respecting Trustees
- Saturday 18 Went after Breakfast to assist Mrs Jansen in setting [?settling] some Executrixship affairs. Then to Lambes & on with Sabine to see the Giraffes at the Zoological Gardens. Dined at John Nicholls & got home about 12
- Sunday 19 Walked all the way to Bayswater & back to see Mr Loudon, & was caught by a tremendous Thunderstorm on my return. Dined at Vivians
- Monday 20 The Swansea Harbor Committee resumed its sittings & I attended till after 4. Dined at the Atheneum. Remained in the House till one & voted against Ministers in the Minority for reducing the Duty on Soap instead of Newspapers
- Tuesday 21 Not well & went only to the Swansea Harbor Committee after which I dined at Bellamys & left the House sitting at 12. Voted only on immaterial[?] points in Committee
- Wednesday 22 My dear Lewis who I had expected till the Evening [sic] or tomorrow arrived early in the morning. He went to a morning concert at the Opera & at night, after dining with me at Bellamy's to the Haymarket Theatre. I attended the Harbor Committee till 4, & remained in the House till near ½ past one. Voted in Committee in the Registration of Votes Bill twice with & once against Ministers
- Thursday 23 Lewis went to picture shows in the morning, & after dining with me at the Piazza Coffee House to the Opera at Night. I attended the Swansea



Harbor Committee till 4, & afterwards remained in the House till past one. Voted with Ministers in Committee in Bribery at Elections Bill

Friday 24 Lewis went to a Cricket Match between Oxford & Cambridge at Lords Ground & in the Evening to the English Opera with Florence Benson. I attended the Swansea Committee till after 4. Dined at the Atheneum & remained in the House till about one. Decided with Ministers against Radicals on the English Tithe Commutation Bill

Saturday 25 Went with Lewis to expedite some Errands for Sketty & afterwards with Talbot attended a picture Sale where I bought a Flower piece [?pair] by Van Haysan[?] & a 'Sea Shore' by Van der Capella[?]. Lewis went to the Opera. Being very unwell & having been so for some days I got a quiet Dinner at the Atheneum & went early to Bed

Sunday 26 Having been very unwell for somedays I took a strong Dose & did not stir out of the House allday

Monday 27 Immediately after breakfast Lewis & I went to the Chelsea Garden, & we returned in time for the Swansea Harbor Committee which was happily brought to a close. Lewis went to see a Cricket Match between Oxford & the Marylebone Club & afterwards to Drury Lane Theatre. Being unwell I got a spare Dinner at Bellamy's & remained in the House till after 12. Voted with Ministers in the Tithes Commutation Bill

Tuesday 28 Lewis went to breakfast & spend the morning with Mr Babbage. He came to dine with me at Bellamy's & then went to the Opera. I walked as far as the Linnean Society. Went to the House at 4, to vote for Stephenson's Brighton Railroad Bill & except that I went home for some Tea I remained in the House till after 2. Voted on the Marriages Bill twice with Ministers, & once with the Tories against them

Wednesday 29 Lewis spent the day with his Aunt Mrs Janson at Tottenham & I to Mrs Marriolty[?] at Wimbledon. I returned to the House just after 7 & remained till past one. Voted against & succeeded in throwing out the Spiritors[?] Liquors Tub[?] Bill which in my opinion would have had a very injurious tendency

Thursday 30 Lewis went to the Zoological Gardens & I to Loddiges at Hackney. We dined together at Bellamys after which he went to the Opera & I remained in the House till near ½ past one. Voted differently from Talbot with the Tories in a Motion levelled at Roebuck, & afterwards against a Tory Motion for an adjournment

<b>JULY</b>
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- Friday 1 Weather very sultry. Lewis went to the Zoological Gardens & I attended the Committee of the Royal Dublin Society. We dined at Bellamys & he took a row on the river. I attended the House & voted on the Irish Church Bill with Ministers against the Radicals. Left the House sitting about 11 & we then went to Vauxhall, & got back about ½ past one. The Thermometer in the Shade but in a spot where the Sun had shone in the morning stood at 110 in the Kings Road
- Saturday 2 Went with Lewis to the Water Color Exhibition & afterwards exercised several commissions from home. We embarked in a Barge with a large party given by Mrs Barclay to a White Bait Dinner at the Ship at Greenwich. Spent a very pleasant Evening & I got home in Mr Barclays Phaeton & went to Bed at ½ past 10. Lewis with some of the Youngsters followed me a few minutes after. Weather very sultry
- Sunday 3 Attended morning Service with Lewis at the Abbey & heard a Sermon by the Bishop of Hereford (Lord Greys brother). We then called at Lord Cawdors & etc. Dined at Browns Hotel & went early to Bed
- Monday 4 Lewis went to Hoggs Nursery & I to call on Brown & etc. I returned to attend the Dublin Royal Committee & it was again adjourned. Lewis & I dined at Vivians & I afterwards went to [?the] House & remained till the Division but again declined to vote on the appropriation Clause. Got to bed soon after 1. Weather severely[?] hot. At 9 this morning a Thermometer in perfect shade stood at 89
- Tuesday 5 Lewis & I went on some Errands to the City. We dined at bellamy's & I voted against a Motion of Plumtres[?] with regard to Military Discipline. At 8 I accompanied Lewis to the Gloster Coffee House & he started homewards per Mail. Returned to the House where I remained till 12, & voted with Ministers on the Irish[?] Grand Jury Bill
- Wednesday 6 Executed several commissions & Errands before I went to the Royal Dublin Committee which at ½ past 3 was brought to a close. At ½ past 4 the House counted out by a dirty manoeuvre[?] of the Tories. Dined at the Atheneum & at night from Westminster Bridge witnessed a most splendid display of Fireworks given in honour of a Royal Visit, by the Duke of Buccleugh[?]
- Thursday 7 Paid a long visit to Mr Brown at the British Museum & etc. Remained in the House from 4 till ½ past one & dined at Bellamy/s as another attempt was made by the Tories to count out the House. Divided twice in favor of bringing in a Scotch Bill in preference to the Poole[?] Corporation Bill, & afterwards supported the latter in Committee
- Friday 8 Busy about various Errands & again visited the British Museum. Dined at the Atheneum. Voted twice against a restriction on the translation of Bishops, considering that the equilization of their Incomes will

sufficiently prevent it, & afterwards supported Ministers against the Radicals in Committee on the Established Church Bill. Left the House sitting & went to Bed at ½ past 12

- Saturday 9 Went after breakfast to the City & called on the Bishop of Landaff. Afterwards went with Mrs Vivian to the Horticultural Shew [sic], from which we did not get back till ½ past 8, & spent the Evening with them
- Sunday 10 Busy in preparing to leave Town. Called on Talbot, Pendaris[?], Nichol, Barclay & etc. Died at the Atheneum & came home early
- Monday 11 Busy packing all the morning & in the afternoon went to shew Loddiges to Mr & Lady Charlotte Talbot. Dined at Bellamy's & except that I went in a Boat with Sir P Egerton to see a magnificent of [sic] Fireworks on the River opposite the Duke of Buccleugh's. I remained there till one. Voted repeatedly with Ministers against the Radicals on the Stamp duty Bill
- Tuesday 12 Busy all morning in preparation for leaving Town. At 5 carried up the Swansea Harbor Bill & another Bill to the Lords. Voted in the Majority of 74 to 64 for limiting all Clerical appointments in Wales to those who can speak Welsh. Got to Bed soon after one
- Wednesday 13 Started at 8 with Henry Talbot in the Emerald Coach & slept at the Bush at Bristol
- Thursday 14 Started from Bristol by the Mail, & reached Sketty to dine at ¼ before 6
- Friday 15 Busy all day at Sketty
- Saturday 16 Spent the afternoon at Swansea & ret'd. to Dinner
- Sunday 17 Mr & Mrs Moggridge, Lewis & Miss Mary went to Church & Mrs D & I to dine & spend the afternoon at Penllergare
- Monday 18 Busy in preparing for our foreign ramble. John came to breakfast with us & drove with me for an hour to Swansea, & we called in expectation of meeting Lord Lyndhurst[?] at Singleton in our way. Mr & Mrs Moggridge went to Landaff
- Tuesday 19 Went with Mrs D, Mary & Lewis to sleep at Newport where Mr & Mrs Moggridge joined us. Of this ramble on the Continent, & up to our return home on Nov 11 a separate Journal has been kept
- Wednesday 20 Spelt at North Leach. My dear Mary far from well
- Thursday 21 At ½ past 9 reached Gordons Hotel & I went for an hour to the House of Commons

Friday 22	My dear Mary sop unwell with a pain in her back that she was put under the care of Dr Sims. No House of Commons as 40 were not present at 4
Saturday 23	Went to the House of Commons which sat per forma for the purpose of adjournment for half an hour
Sunday 24	Mary still ...[?] ...[?] better
Monday 25	Went to the House & voted with Ministers & Peel in opposition to the Radicals & ultra Tories for the English Church Regulations Bill. Voted also with Ministers in the Poole Corporation Bill, & returned about one to Gordons Hotel
Tuesday 26	Started at ½ past 10 & slept at Canterbury <sup>2</sup>
Wednesday 27	Reached Dover too late for the Packet & slept at the Ship Hotel
Thursday 28	Embarked at ½ past 5[?] & after a delightfully smooth passage of 3 hours were landed at Calais. Dined there & went on through St Omer to sleep at Mont Cassel[?]
Friday 29	Dined at Armentiers & went on to sleep at Tournay
Saturday 30	Dined at Ath & reached Brussels about 9
Sunday 31	Remained at the Hotel de Bellevue at Brussels

<b>AUGUST</b>
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Monday 1	Remained at Brussels
Tuesday 2	Drove to Waterloo. Dined at Genappes[?] & slept at Namur
Wednesday 3	Dined at Huy & slept at Liege
Thursday 4	Reached Aix la Chapelle to dinner & spent the afternoon & slept there
Friday 5	Dined at St Juliens & reached Cologne in the Evening
Saturday 6	Remained at Cologne. Went to see the Cathedral, Skulls & etc
Sunday 7	All was ready to start in the Steamer for Mayence[?] but Fan was too ill to proceed & all remained at Cologne

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<sup>2</sup> See also the Journal kept by Lewis Llewelyn Dillwyn for this European journey.

Monday 8                    Remained at Cologne

Tuesday 9                    Remained at Cologne

Wednesday 10 Fanny encreasingly unwell. Remained at Cologne

Thursday 11                    Remained at Cologne

Friday 12                    Fan having sufficiently recovered for this short Journey we drove to spend the afternoon & sleep at Bonn

Saturday 13                    At 11 embarked in a Steamer & went to sleep at Coblentz

Sunday 14                    Drove a short stage along the Banks of the Rhine to spend the afternoon & sleep at St Goar

Monday 15                    Dined at Buigen[?] & before 5 reached Mayonne[?] where we stopt for the night

Tuesday 16                    Dined at Worms & went on through Manheim to slept at Heidelberg

Wednesday 17 Left Heidelberg in the afternoon & slept at Carlsruhur [?sic]

Thursday 18                    Left Carlsruhur early in the afternoon. Dined at Radstadt & reached Baden Baden to sleep

Friday 19                    Remained at Baden Baden

Saturday 20                    Left Baden in the afternoon. Dined at Holhofsheim & arrived to sleep at Keil

Sunday 21                    Went in a hired Carriage (except dear Fan who is still poorly to see the Cathedral at Strasbourg & returned to dine at Keil. In the afternoon drove to sleep at Biberach. I this day compleated my 58th Year & felt most heartily grateful for the large share of Happiness which has been allotted to me

Monday 22                    Drive through much fine Scenery in the black [sic] Forrest. Dined at Schildach & slept at Dureshingen[?]

Tuesday 23                    Drove through splendid Forrest Scenery to dine at Schaffhausen & thence to the Falls of the Rhine & retd to sleep at Schaffhausen

Wednesday 24 Dined at some Village & slept at Zurich

Thursday 25                    Ascended Mont Albis & went on to dine & sleep at Zug

Friday 26 Drove to Dine at Arf[?] where Lewis, Mary & M Moggridge left us to ascend & sleep on the Rigi. Drove on to Lucern

Saturday 27 Leaving dear Fan who was far from well at Lucerne Mary & I went in a Boat to Cuznach & there met the Rigi party & brought them to Lucerne

Sunday 28 Remained at Lucern. Both Mart & Fan very unwell

Monday 29 My dear Mary & Fan both too unwell to go out. Went in a Boat on the Lake to Brunner[?]. Were caught by a violent mountain storm which obliged us to put in to Gersua & it was 10 when we got back to Lucerne

Tuesday 30 Dined at Entilbuch & drove on to sleep at Eschollmatt

Wednesday 31 Drove to dine & sleep at Thun

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>
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Thursday 1 At 2 embarked in a Steamer which landed us at the top of the Lake of Thun, & we then went in Carriages about 1½ miles to Interlacken[?]. On our arrival there dear Fan was very ill & we placed her under the care of Dr Charles Eversold

Friday 2 Fan being rather better e left her in the care of Mr M & the rest of us in a hired Carriage (our own having been left at Thun) to Lanterbrunnen[?]. Visited the Stobach & etc

Saturday 3 My dear Mary this day compleated her 60th Year & till the Evening when we returned to Interlacken we greatly enjoyed some rambling about this splendid neighbourhood. Lewis & May [?] left us to cross with Guide & Horses the Wingara[?] Alp & so on to Grindelwalden

Sunday 4 Before Breakfast Mr, Mrs & Miss Vivian called at our Quarters. Fan so unwell that Mary could not leave her & I drove alone to Grindenwalden [sic] where I met Lewis & Molly & where the Vivians in the Evening joined us

Monday 5 Remained at Grindelwalden & we were confined nearly allday to the House by a heavy Rain

Tuesday 6 At 8 Lewis & May started with Guides & Horses to pass the Grand Shidach[?] with the Vivians & I returned to Interlacken. As Fan was again better Mrs D accompanied me in a Boat to dine & sleep at Brientz & we visited the Giesbach in our way

Wednesday 7 A heavy Rain prevented us from starting early for Meyringen, & at last we met our party on the Road & returned with them to Brientz & thence to Interlacken which we reached at 6 & found Fan better. The Vivians dined with us at our Hotel

Thursday 8 Remained at Interlacken

Friday 9 Remained at Interlacken

Saturday 10 After an early Dinner we drove in 2 Carriages to the Lake & went from thence in the Steamer to Thun

Sunday 11 Took an early Dinner at Thun & drove to Berne

Monday 12 Remained at Berne. Grieved by the news of Sir Christopher Coles Death.

Tuesday 13 Remained at Berne

Wednesday 14 Drove to Freyburgh & much pleased with the Iron Bridge & organ[?]. Went on in the Evening to sleep at Payerne

Thursday 15 Dined at Munden[?] & reached Lausanne in the Evening

Friday 16 Remained at Lausanne

Saturday 17 Left Lausanne with the Intent of crossing the Simplon. Visited Viesay[?] & Chillon[?]. Dined at Bax & slept at St Maurice

Sunday 18 Drove early to the Nisservache[?] & thence to Martigny. We were there induced by Fan's appearing more unwell & an[?] unfavorable chance of the Weather to give up our proposed Visit to Italy, & we returned to dine at St Maurice & then drove along the Southern Bank of the Lemman to sleep at St Gingoulph[?]. At Martigny Lewis left us to spend some days among the passes of Montblanc[?]

Monday 19 Left St Gingoulph[?] at 9 & reached Geneva at 4

Tuesday 20 Remained at Geneva. Vexed to find that both the Decmdolles[?] are at Montpelier & not likely to return home for 6 Weeks

Wednesday 21 Drove to St Martins[?] (in Savoy) whereon our alighting at the Hotel Fan became alarmingly ill & a Surgeon was immediately procured from Sallanches[?]

Thursday 22 Remained at St Martins. Fan much relieved. In the afternoon I drove with the two Mary's to the Baths of St Gervois & the falls of Bonnant

Friday 23 Leaving Fan to the care of her Sister & Mr M, Mary & I drove in a Charabanc to Chamounix

Saturday 24 After our return from the Source of the Arvason[?] we recd an account that Fan was worse & Mary & I about noon left Chamounix & went back to St Martins. We met Lewis near Chamounix yesterday & he joined us in the Evening at St Martins

Sunday 25 Fan rather better. In the afternoon I drove Molly in a Charabanc to the Fall & Lake de Chede[?]

Monday 26 Remained at St Martins

Tuesday 27 Remained at St Martins. Lewis took his Sister Mary to spend a day at Chamounix

Wednesday 28 Remained at St Martins

Thursday 29 Remained at St Martins. Fan beginning at last to mend

Friday 30 Remained at St Martins. Fan for the first time left her Bed for half an hour

<b>OCTOBER</b>
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Saturday 1 Remained at St Martins. In the afternoon went with my dear Mary & Mr M to a Hill above Sallanches which commands a fine View of the Aiguilles of Montblanc

Sunday 2 Remained at St <Martins. A wet day

Monday 3 Remained at St Martins

Tuesday 4 Remained at St Martins. Fan so much better as to take a short drive in our close Carriage to Sallmanches[?]

Wednesday 5 Remained at St Martins. Drive with my two Mary's in a Charabanc to Corbleu which commands a splendid View of Montblanc & the whole range of Aiguilles

Thursday 6 Dear Fan having sufficiently recovered we took her 18 miles to dine & sleep at Bonneville

Friday 7 Went in the middle of the day to Geneva

Saturday 8 Remained at Geneva

Sunday 9 Remained at Geneva



Monday 10 Till we arrived at Geneva it had been considered necessary on acct of Fans Health to spend the Winter abroad, but she has so much improved that we have decided on proceeding homewards & of stopping somewhere in France if it should be found on her account desirable. We drove to sleep at Gex at the Southern foot of the Jura

Tuesday 11 Proceeded over the Jura to sleep at Moray

Wednesday 12 Went on to dine & sleep at Poligny at the Northern foot of the Jura

Thursday 13 Drove on to dine & sleep at Dijon

Friday 14 Spent the morning in seeing Lions, & drove in the afternoon to sleep at St Sayne

Saturday 15 Drove on to sleep at Tonniere

Sunday 16 Drove on to dine & sleep at Jens[?]

Monday 17 Reached Fontainebleau about 3 & spent 2 hours in the Gardens & Grounds of the palace

Tuesday 18 Spent the morning at the Palace & it was ½ past 7 when we reached apartments which Vivian had taken for us at the Hotel de Londres at Paris

Wednesday 19 Remained at Paris

Thursday 20 Remained at Paris

Friday 21 Remained at Paris

Saturday 22 Remained at Paris

Sunday 23 Remained at Paris

Monday 24 Remained at Paris

Tuesday 25 About 2 left Paris. Drove to St Denis where we stopped to see the Church & then went on to Chantilly

Wednesday 26 Spent the morning in driving in a hired Carriage about the Grounds of Chantilly, & drove on to dine & sleep at Butreuil[?]

Thursday 27 Reached Amiens at ½ past 12 & spent the afternoon in seeing the Cathedral & etc

Friday 28 Drove from Amiens to sleep at Bernay

Saturday 29 Reached Bologne about 3 o'clock

Sunday 30 Weather very bad with heavy Snow & it prevented us from crossing to Dover

Monday 31 Embarked at Bologne at one & after a very rough passage we were landed before 4 at Dover. All the 3 Ladies suffered severely from sea sickness

<b>NOVEMBER</b>
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Tuesday 1 Drove to dine & sleep at Sittingbourne

Wednesday 2 Reached Gordons Hotel in London at 4

Thursday 3 Remained in London

Friday 4 Remained in London. Lewis & I in the Evening went to St James' Theatre

Saturday 5 Remained in London. Lewis, Molly & I went to Vestris' Theatre

Sunday 6 My dear Mary so unwell that I sent for Dr Sims. Fanny also far from well & neither have at all recovered from the effects of seasickness

Monday 7 Remained in London. Both Mary & Fan much unwell & Dr Sims came in the morning & also dined with us

Tuesday 8 Left London at ¼ past 11 & went to sleep at Tetsworth

Wednesdasy 9 Drove on to done & sleep at Cheltenham

Thursday 10 Went to dine & sleep at Newport

Friday 11 At 5 oclock we reached home after an absence of 16½ weeks. John & Emma with their 2 Chicks had come to Sketty te receive us

Saturday 12 Remained all day at Sketty

Sunday 13 Weather very bad. My dear Mary confined chiefly to her Bed & Fan also very unwell. John & Emma, Lewis, Mr Moggridge & Molly went to Church

Monday 14 Drove with John to attend a Meeting of the new Parish Union at Swansea & afterwards with him to call at Woodlands

Tuesday 15 Remained all day at Sketty

Wednesday 16 Drove with Emma for 2 or 3 days[?] to Swansea. Offered 55 guineas for Whitbyifra[?] & Ferratvach[?] part of John Jones[?] Estate

Thursday 17 Mr Moggridge left us for a few days. In the Evening drove with Lewis to dine at Singleton

Friday 18 Remained at Sketty except that I walked with John & Emma to call on Miss Morris

Saturday 19 Drove to Swansea for a couple of hours

Sunday 20 We all went to Swansea Church except my dear Mary who has not yet recovered from the effects of the Sea Sickness in crossing over from Bologne

Monday 21 Drove with Mary & Fanny to Swansea in the close Carriage to Swansea & attended a Paris Union Meeting

Tuesday 22 Remained all day at or about home. Mary & Fan went to Swansea

Wednesday 23 Mary, Fan & Emma went to Swansea. In the afternoon I walked to see John & Lewis shoot Pheasants at Singleton & afterwards dined with them & a party there. Mr Moggridge returned in the Evening.

Thursday 24 Attended with John a Meeting of the Swansea Union till 5 & then went with Lewis & Mr Moggridge to dine with Sir Jo Morris who during our absence had returned to live at Sketty Park

Friday 25 Walked to call on Iltid Thomas & his Bride

Saturday 26 Drove in on Business to Swansea. John very unwell & in the Evening we sent for Mr Bird to see him

Sunday 27 Weather dismally bad & a part only of the family could go to Church

Monday 28 Again engaged all day at a Parish Union Meeting at Swansea. Mr, Mrs & Miss Vivian, Fredk Hickey. a Capt Bolton RN (on a Visit to the Hickeys) & R Mansell dined with us

Tuesday 29 Drove to a Meeting of the Lunatic Asylum Committee at Pyle, & there met W Williams, J B[?] Bruce & the Revd J M Traherne. Went in a hack Chaise & got back to Dinner

Wednesday 30 Drove in the afternoon with Mary & stopd a couple of hours at Swansea

<b>DECEMBER</b>
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Thursday 1	Drove with Mary & Fanny to Burrows Lodge & I attended the Annual Meeting of the Horticultural Society
Friday 2	Drove with John through terrible Weather to Langefalach & for the first time I ever knew it there was nothing to do. We went from there to Penllergare & it rained & blew so hard that we were unable to go to the Gardens or stir out. Returned home to Dinner
Saturday 3	Emma & Fanny both ill & my dear Mary far from well. At Vivians request as he was very unwell I spent 3 or 4 at Singleton, in making out an order for Loddiges for the formation of an Arboretum
Sunday 4	The Weather very bad & only the 3 Gents & Miss Mary went to Church. John read the Evening Service to us in [sentence unfinished]
Monday 5	At 12 drove with the two Mary's to Burrows Lodge & I attended a Harbor & Parish Union Meeting
Tuesday 6	Drove in the morning for a couple of hours to Swansea. Sir John & Lady, Miss Beatrice & Mr Geo Morris & the elder Miss Morris dined with us
Wednesday 7	I went with John, Lewis, Mr Moggridge & Miss D to dine at Capt Whiteleys[?]
Thursday 8	Mrs Llewelyn & Mrs Moggridge continue very ill & my dear Mary far from well. I went with John, Lewis & Mr M to dine with the Harmonic Society at the Public Rooms at Swansea
Friday 9	Went at ½ past 11 with Mrs D to Burrows Lodge where she remained & I attended Meetings of the Harbor Trust & of the Town Council
Saturday 10	Remained allday at Sketty. Weather very bad
Sunday 11	The 3 Gents & Miss Mary went to Church & I read the morning Service to the rest of the Family at home
Monday 2	Remained all day at Sketty. Weather still continues very bad
Tuesday 13	Drove to Swansea & attended an adjourned Meeting of the Harbor Trust & Town Council

Wednesday 14 Drove with John & attended the annual Savings Bank Meeting. Mr & Mrs Moggridge left Sketty & went to Burrows Lodge which I have lent to them

Thursday 15 Drove with Emma to call at St Helens, & from thence walked to call on Tennant[?] & Hickey

Friday 16 Not well. Remained allday at home

Saturday 17 Drove with Mrs D in the afternoon to Swansea & I relinquished my Trusteeship under the Marriage settlement of Mr & Mrs Gab Powell. Mr Haycock came from Penllergare to stop over Sunday with us

Sunday 18 My cold & sore throat very bad. John, Lewis, Mr Haycock & Miss Mary went to Church

Monday 19 Wretchedly unwell. Took Physic & eat [sic] nothing but some dry Toast all day. Miserable

Tuesday 20 My indisposition & confinement continue

Wednesday 21 Drove in the afternoon with E & etc, to Burrows Lodge for half an hour. Mr & Mrs Iltid Thomas. T E Thomas, Mrs Forman, Capt & Mrs Wheatley, Mr J Benson & Mr Logan dined with us

Thursday 22 Remained allday at Sketty

Friday 23 Remained allday at Sketty

Saturday 24 Went with Miss Mary for a couple of hours to Swansea

Sunday 25 Weather at last bitter cold with some snow now. Thermometer 23 at ½ past 8a.m. All except Mary & I went to Church & Mr & Mrs Moggridge joined our Family party for Christmas

Monday 26 Remained all day at Sketty

Tuesday 27 Very cold. Mrs D & Fanny staid at home. Moggridge went to some Masonic Folly & John & Emma, Lewis, Miss D & I to dine at Glanmor

Wednesday 28 Lewis went to spend a couple of days at Penrice. Col, Mrs & Chs Jones, Col Morgan & the two Capt Morgans dined with us. Mrs E Morgan being prevented from coming by illness

Thursday 29 Drove for a couple of hours to the Pottery to superintend the stock taking in Lewis's absence. Mary & Fan accompanied me to Burrows Lodge

Friday 30 Drove to attend a Town Council which lasted from 12 to 4

Saturday 31

Very hard Frost continued all the Week. Chs Smith, Rodney Eden & Henry Vivian dined with us

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