

~~London~~

10th

23 May

London

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Land Log book  
as formerly —

Thursday 23<sup>d</sup> May 1811

<sup>11</sup>  
8 a.m. — Ther<sup>m</sup> 63

Clear — Wind West.

— wrote to M. Dobie, before 8 o'clock  
+ Last night between eight and  
nine o'clock loud thunder. One  
clap at 8:20 <sup>11 m</sup> must have <sup>been</sup> struck  
some object within a mile or  
two.  
— Walk with M. M. to some lower

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 1811

<sup>11</sup>  
8 a.m. — Ther<sup>m</sup> 62

Cloudy — Wind South.

Employed in copying into  
proper books notes of lectures

— After Dinner — M. Bunt's &  
O. Buntan — The fern brought  
+ 1 Gall: seems 1 diller grain —

Saturday 25 May 1811

#  
0 a.m. — Ther. 64  
clear — wind S. West.

Davy's 5<sup>th</sup> Lecture on Geology

— after dinner took a walk  
to Pontonsville — Baynes walks  
+ the remainder of Mr. Ponds' lecture  
is deferred till next session

~~Sunday~~  
Saturday - 26 May 1811

#  
1 1/2 p.m. Ther. 70-69

fair — wind S.W.

#  
0 p.m. Ther. 70

fair — wind West.

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 1811

#  
1/2 a.m. — Ther. 60

A little hazy — wind East.

+ Lord Wellington's victory  
over Napoleon does not, by  
the Gazette, turn out to be  
so great as was at first reported  
— No of the British wounded and  
prisoners of the Enemy mentioned

— Drank tea with Dr.  
Young —

— Rev of Miss. Jones & Mr. 2. B. A.  
+ a letter from A. G. —

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 1811.

10 a.m. Ther 67 $\frac{1}{2}$  —

cloudy — wind West —

— of Smith's 12 books on

Colony — I showed him the

row of Irish, which he showed

round — He <sup>com</sup>plained the first

sent copies. —

— gave a row of Irish to Mr

Cullen. —

— met Mess<sup>rs</sup> Fitzroy and Shore

on the Street. —

Cash paid N<sup>o</sup> 52

Gold — — — 7

Silver — — — 15

£ 33, 2

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 1811

6 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. Ther 64.5

cloudy — wind West —

—

8 a.m. Ther 64

Sens<sup>ns</sup> Cold — wind West

rapid icy —

+ letters on Mr. Telford — Mr. Scott

not at home — went to the Ex

change — Tilloch — not returned

from water — The Hares — Harris

and Nurse —

— Mr. Shore called on me, left

a note respecting D. Dugard

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May 1811

#  
7 a.m. — Therm: 62°

clear — wind West.

- Colts. on W. shore, G. Taylor  
W. Tatum and the Hays. The  
former three sent out at home-  
land with the Hays - carried a post  
relief to Mr. Thrope at St Paul  
Coffe house, to be delivered to J<sup>r</sup>.  
Poundfoot Dempsey.

Mr. Thrope, Stuart and Frazer set off  
for settled in a post Chace about  
7 o'clock —

- W. M. and I spent the hour  
at Pensions —

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 1811.

#  
7 1/2 a.m. — Therm: 64°

cloudy - dark - Thunder - wind W.

- Met the Dobson at the Estab-  
lishment James -  
called on Mr. Medhurst, James  
Dined with the Dobson - Even<sup>g</sup>  
Mr. D. and I met Peter with  
horses in Popers court just  
market

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 1811

#  
10 a.m. — Therm: 64°

clear — wind West<sup>ly</sup>

+ Rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from G. Forge-  
son - He has settled watch account  
~~the watch account~~

Saturday cont.  
This day Mr. D. finished his course  
of Geology - & lectures.

Sunday 2 June 1811

H  
O a. m. Therm <sup>21</sup> 64°  
rains wind East.

Dined with Mr. Zelford, Mr.  
Murdock, Major Taylor and Mr  
Whist -

+ Population of China

- Mr. D. - y - mind was 4.

- Capt. of a man of war spoke  
Mr. Pitt what was Government's  
opinion respecting some pro-  
luct questions. Mr. D. passed it  
but what is your own opp  
said Mr. Capt. - Pray Capt. on  
Pitt, can you sing breath of  
it is an excellent song.

Monday 3 June 1811.

H  
8 a.m.

Ther<sup>m</sup> 62

clear — wind West

— Meeting of the Royal Institution — much speaking by  
— Lord B. King Inglefield and  
— Mr. Hatchet. — respecting the  
— bye laws — publications.

+ Called on the Harris — drank tea  
with them

— On Harris — paid him 2 Guineas  
for the telescope for my Nephew —  
— Called on Williams — got a message  
for William Sandime —

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 1811

9 a.m. Ther. 61.5

cloudy Wind S.W.

Wrote to Jas. Dinwiddie & La. Newfoot in a packet to the latter from Alderman Shaw.

|         |           |
|---------|-----------|
| on hand | Notes £45 |
| Gold    | 0.7       |
| Silver  | 2 11 6    |
|         | <hr/>     |
|         | 25.10 6   |

Dined with Mr. Forbes -  
M<sup>r</sup>. Robert Welsh, and Trav  
and Colonel Harnage

Quantities of Greek and Latin  
words never pronounced right  
In the first line of the second  
the word cano should be pro-  
nounced canō - &c from a fund

Tuesday continued

of W. F. J. -  
F. Johnson's translation of the  
1<sup>st</sup> Satyr of Juvenal said to be  
good - *Res angusta domi* &c - translated  
by Johnson in these words.

A little learning &c com-  
mended on - why has not man  
a microscope eye &c heard  
Edin<sup>g</sup> Review - College of Bedford  
Mathematics - La Place - Now  
few can read his *Mécanique*  
Celeste



Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 1811  
8 a.m. Ther. 62°

rains — wind S, West

+ wrote to Mr. Sardin, in-  
forming him that I have paid  
2 years rent for house in West  
Lond, and to pay in future. —

+ called on Mr. Singer —

— Doctor <sup>13<sup>th</sup></sup> has lent me Barrow  
voyage to Cochin-China —

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 1811.  
7 a.m. Ther. 61

Fair — wind West

+ visit from Mr. Swetsh of Coler  
and Major Culton —

Dined with Mr. Forbes — Mr.  
Mr. Swetsh and Major Col. Hornby

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June 1811.

8 a.m. — Ther. 62°

fair — wind S.W.

— Paid for washing 9<sup>6</sup> —

+ W. D. Cutler called to tell me that he has made choice of the Army for a profession and sets off for M. L. Melotte de Montmorency Academy school in hill, a few days —

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 1811

7 a.m. — Ther. 63°

cloudless sky — wind East

— Attended an adjourned meeting of the Royal Institution — Debate about Mr. Finagle — No report has been published —

+ after dinner — Pontonville

+ Mr. Harve called D. with him to see

22  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 1811

8 a.m. — Ther. 65°

clear — wind West

— Dined with the Pemes

— Snow presented to a young officer for a gallant action in Bogue roads, by the Society — The Society as Lords —

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 1811.

8 a.m. — Ther. 63°

cloudy — wind East

— called at Villochs — Harry, Mr. Debs and, after dinner at Mr. Edis — early at Mr. Parlaye

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 1811.

7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> a.m. Ther 64.25°

clear — wind West<sup>ly</sup>

M. Musdock called with  
2 quires of brown paper.

+ began arranging my Journals  
and queries and books

on hand B.N. £ 43

Gold — — — 7

Silver — — — 41

43 11

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 1811

7 a.m. — Ther 63°

a lial cloudy wind West<sup>ly</sup>

Called on Mr. Forbes - Watch  
Royal Institution, Gtts who  
showed me the Syrenge and other  
different modes of striking a  
light - On Mr. Morris. The two  
gent mentioned were not at home

+ Mr. Telford called and made  
me a present of the plans of  
the new bridge to be built  
in North Wales.

The Mr. T. informs me that Mr.  
Mayfair is come to town

+ Dined with Mr Sanders  
- <sup>5</sup> even: called on Mr Burns - Abroad -

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 1811.  
8 a.m. — Ther. 61.5  
Clear — Wind West.

Called on Mr. S. Penny ordered  
a waistcoat and repairs of two  
coats. — In Gold purchased his for  
Machon & Co. — 10, 6 — On Mr.  
Telford's out. — In Irish the value  
13200 is down 25. — On Mrs.  
Optician's dinner with him, left  
Bayer's Spectacle business with  
him —

Mr. Gellies called on me, with  
the Dictionary and the Vol. of  
Thomson's Chemistry, which he  
borrowed —

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 1811.

After breakfast called on Mr.  
Telford's — left with him Mr.  
Telford's plans of the proposed  
bridge in water. — To meet  
Mr. S. at the royal Exchange  
to-morrow at two o'clock. —

Called on Mr. Mayne — Mr. Green  
& Mr. Harris  
— Sent to Mrs. B. — an apology  
for not dining with her to-  
morrow. —

+ Received my two coats, from  
Mr. S. Penny, repaired. —

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 1811.

7 a.m. Therm: 62  
clear — wind west.

— Called on Miss Wright in  
Margaret St. Cavendish square  
and Mr. Will: Bushby in  
Great Brunswick place — and  
sent Robert Bacon to him to  
morrow — to give Mr. B's con-  
ditions during the vacation —

+ Went to the Exhibition Tom: P  
— Met Mr. Sanders who was to  
find me there — he saw that  
the rooms without seeing one  
another

+ Rec: and answered a letter from  
Mr. M. Conroy

+ Dined with the Sanders

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 1811

10 a.m. Therm: 64

Foggy — wind west.

+ Mr. Burns called — he went  
to wait on Mr. Bushby —

— Mr. Stadi and I went to see  
Mr. Thomas Dancet — Met Will:  
Dancet at his uncle

and with Mr. Stadi after

Dinner took a walk to see  
the Engine house of the new  
water works to be — Every large  
iron pipe seemingly above 4  
feet in Diameter

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 1811

7 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. Ther. 63.5

quite clear — Wind West.

+ After dinner called at the name  
and Mr. Bell Statten Garden.

He has not heard from Dublin

+ Evening attended Mr. Hardies  
Lecture on Galvanism (see notes)

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 1811

7 a.m. Ther. 65

Mary — Wind S. East.

— Visit from Mary Dobie —  
Went with her to Mr. Munday.

On hand B. N. 261.

Gold. — 7

Silver — 13

£ 42 0

— Tea and Evng with the Sanders

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 21

7 $\frac{3}{4}$  a.m. Ther. 65

clear. — Wind East.

— Hardies 1<sup>st</sup> Lectures — Chem  
and Natural Philosophy —  
(see notes)

Thursday 20 June 1811

8 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. Ther. 66

clear — Wind S. North

— Breakfasted with the Sanders.

— After dinner took a walk to

Pentonville — called at theirs —

also at Mr. Burrows — Mr. Sanders

and I went to see the exhibition of  
Paintings in Water Colours —

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 1811.

8 a.m. — Ther<sup>m</sup> 63° —  
clear — wind North.

+ both the Sanders — their  
two brothers and W.

— Mr. Hardie's 2 Lect. on  
Chemistry (see notes)

Saturday 22 June

9 a.m. Ther<sup>m</sup> 60°  
clear — wind N.E.

+ ~~the~~ Called on Mr. Bushby  
— saw the son — wife B. — very ill  
+ attended Mr. Fenwick's exper-  
iments on Memory (see the pre-  
ceded list)  
— Drank tea with D. Young.

Sunday 23 June 1811.

7 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. — Ther<sup>m</sup> 60° —  
cloudy — wind North.

— Called on the Mares — Doves  
Dined with the latter

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 1811.

9 a.m. Ther<sup>m</sup> 61°  
cloudy — wind North.

+ Paid Surgeon's bill for Edu<sup>ard</sup>  
approx<sup>ly</sup> £7.10

— J. Young and M<sup>rs</sup>. Young  
called after dinner to invite  
me to dine with them to mor-  
row — ~~I~~ <sup>They</sup> went from there to  
call on Mr. Lewis for the same  
purpose.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup>  
+ Nap K called at seven  
- at half after seven went  
to the concert at the Pantheon  
+ a full house - All the first  
performers both in vocal  
and instrumental music  
Braham Catalani &c (see  
the bill)  
+ arrived at my own door  
at 10 minutes past 12. I  
had knocked once and when  
a man came between me  
and the door, as if he wanted  
to knock, who gave me a  
violent push from me, at  
that instant two men took  
hold of my collar behind me

back and instantly laid  
me on my back flat on  
the street. One of them placed  
~~my~~ <sup>his</sup> hand on my mouth,  
and his other hand on my  
throat - telling me not to  
call out - They then rifled  
my pockets - They took  
from me a pair of silver  
framed spectacles - It is sin-  
gular that they missed my  
watch. It was in my breast-  
coat pocket, and as they kept  
me all the time on my back  
the watch slipped to the lower  
side of the pocket. - On hearing  
some persons coming they started  
by running in the opposite direction  
I have had my pocket picked  
at several times, but never was  
so badly attacked before. -



Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 1811

11 — Ther<sup>o</sup> 66°  
12 — — — — —  
Clear — — — wind East.

Dined with D. Young —  
Dr. Scott, Mr. Curdie —  
Buchan came to tea —

|         |          |       |
|---------|----------|-------|
| On hand | B.N. £31 | —     |
| Gold    | —        | 7     |
| Silver  | —        | 2     |
|         |          | <hr/> |
|         |          | 31, 9 |

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June

11 a.m. Ther<sup>o</sup> 66½°  
Clear — — — wind East.

In my Evening walk I met  
Mr. Black, who informed me  
that three or four persons were  
killed at Galloway house this  
day by the pressure of the wind.

Called this morning on Mr  
Hare and purchased a new  
pocket watch for the evening  
and at Telford's office, and  
desired Mr. Mayne to notice  
my being robbed, in the door

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 1811  
H  
8 a.m. — Ther. 66.5

2 rains — wind S.W.  
H  
9 1/2 a.m. very dark —

+ The report last night of several persons having been killed at Carlton house, is not true. Some ladies were hurt; but not materially injured. —

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 1811  
H  
7 a.m. Ther. 67°

2 rains — wind North

+ This morning cleared out the apparatus room. —

— Mr. Singer called. he is attending Mr. Frouge's & Harcourt's fourth lectures. —

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 1811  
H  
8 1/2 a.m. Ther. 66.5

2 rains lightly — wind N.E.

— Death of Sir John Anstey in the day's papers. —

+ Called on Mr. St. Sanders. Mr. S. goes out of town to day, and returns to morrow evening. —

— After dinner called on Mr. Plummer and the Nares — tea with latter — They <sup>long</sup> proposing Gandon sends for Mr. Bentley — Bought a pair of Spectacles from Mr. Nares — price with tax 2/6 —

+ 8 p.m. — Ther. 67°

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 1811  
#  
8 a.m. — Ther. 66°

A little cloudy — wind V.  
Dined with my Landlord  
— took a walk to Somers  
Called at Wier — New wood  
+ Before I went had a long  
conversation with R.

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July 1811.  
#  
8 a.m. — Ther. 65½

cloudy — wind N.W.  
+ Paid a quarters rent — 10  
— went to the R. In — Not  
members sufficient to make  
a meeting —  
— Ordered some spirits —  
— Ordered 5<sup>th</sup> Section (see notes)

Tuesday 2 July 1811  
#  
7 a.m. — Ther. 66°

cloudy Dark — wind East  
+ Paid of Jos. Ware £106 9 6  
He has me £500  
Called on Mr Wood  
Dined with the Stares.  
+ Mr. Newcomb with me on  
the Evening

— On hand B. N. £127 - -  
Gold - - - 7  
Silver 2 4, 6

£129 11, 6  
+ This day Jos. Ware paid me  
in part — £116, 9, 6  
Bal. due on 1<sup>st</sup> of this month —  
£100.

Wed<sup>d</sup> 3 July 1811.

10 a.m. Ther<sup>m</sup> 65°

rain — wind N.E

+ Call from Mr. Town and  
Lieut. Marshall. The latter has  
contrived a new mode of calcu-  
lating a Lunar observation  
— Handies 6 Lectures per notes

Thursday 4 July 1811

7 a.m. — Ther<sup>m</sup> 61.5

clear — wind North

+ The City called on the Horse  
+ Dined with the Dobins —  
Dunbar and Co — he not in  
Lower — see notes

Friday 5 July 1811.

8  $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. — Ther<sup>m</sup> 61°

clear — wind West

+ Mr. John Marshall Lieut.  
in the Royal Navy called with  
his tables and mode of calculating  
Lunar Sights. He brought two  
sights one brought out the true  
distance to 3" the other to 3.4"  
— I am to introduce him to  
the Art. Royal —

+ Evening at Handies 7<sup>th</sup> Lect.  
(see notes)

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 1811  
8 a.m. — Ther. 62°  
Clear — Wind N. E.

— Calls on Stums, he is at  
Brighton — on Totten — at a  
house in Chancery Lane — did  
not find it out — at  
Briden Salisbury square +  
ordered a pair of 12 Inch  
Globes — at the House —  
Water dead — At Signet  
Desired the Electrometer to  
be returned — Dr. A. Lee  
with the Sanders. —

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 1811  
4 a.m. — Ther. 64°  
Thin clouds — Wind N. E.

4 p.m. — Ther. 64°  
Cloudy — Wind N. E.  
Sun's cold —

+ wrote to Mr. Pond, introducing  
Mr. Marshall to him  
+ with Mr. Beetham Baskby  
Capt. Currier, another Gentl  
and several Ladies

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 1811  
8 a.m. — wind N. E.  
cloudy — Ther. 61°

A letter from Mr. Fairlie  
inviting me to spend two  
or three weeks with him, and  
to purchase a pair of globes  
— visit from Mrs. Bailey and  
+ Mandie's 8<sup>th</sup> lecture / see notes

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 1811  
7 a.m. — Ther. 65°  
cloudy — wind N. E.

— Mr. Marshall called he was  
well received by Mr. Pond  
— Miss D. and Mr. Hulse called  
+ wrote to Jas. Proudfoot.

Paid Mr. Murdoch for books  
9/6 and a map of the world 5/5  
He and I took a walk to  
Green's Down } B.N. 117  
+ on hand — July 11 9/9

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 1811  
8 a.m. — Ther. 65.5

A letter from Jas. Proudfoot  
saying the telescope has arrived safe  
and gives much satisfaction  
— He has dislocated his knee, and  
and iron spoke has run quite  
through his foot. This by a fall  
from the high ceiling of a house  
near his house where he was hanging  
a bell  
— Mandie had no lecture  
— with Miss D. & Marshall Levin.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 1811

8 a.m. Ther. 66°

Clear wind W

+ Went to the city

Called on Dobson - Messrs F & C

He not in town - Mr. Stearn

Mr. Gilbert bought three pairs

of Cotton Stockings - Messrs

Down with them - Mr. D

not at home -

8 p.m. Ther. 71°

+ Mr. Curdie with me in

evening -

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July 1811

8 a.m. Ther. 60°

Clear wind West

at 4 this morning the wind

of the glass window was covered

over with moisture - G. all gone

+ He Dined at Newtonville

+ Wardens of the Lecture on

Morals!!

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> called on

D. Young - Mr. Harris - Mr.

Becke, with him in Newcastle

Street -

++ wrote Jas. Newfoot - End

a Bank P-Bill for £20.

<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday 14 July 1811

<sup>th</sup>  
8 a.m. ——— Ther 70°  
rains ——— wind West.

- Call from M. J. Stevenson  
and M. Martin —

+ Visit the Morrisons — The  
Eden and Mrs Buckley and  
two daughters, to tea —

- M. Moris <sup>admits</sup> internal  
absorption through the skin.  
- admits the utility of vacu-  
ation, but thinks there has  
not yet been sufficient time  
to prove that it was and  
be a perfect preventative  
of the small pox. —

<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 15 July 1811.

<sup>th</sup>  
7 a.m. ——— Ther 68°  
fair ——— wind West.

12 M. Muddlement came to  
be blebbed, with M. M.  
and a little boy — Mrs Dancer  
is a hemiplegic — I am her  
a great number of strokes  
from a small pox —

+ Report — Admiral Cotton  
has gained a great victory  
in the Mediterranean.

+ ~~Galena~~ M. Muddlement

+ M. Marshall called with  
a new table for humors —

+ no official account of Cotton's  
victory  
- ~~Letter~~ M. M. boys on Wed 12.000



Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 1811.

7 a.m. Ther. 60°

cloudy — wind west  
calls — on W. Middleton  
W. Brooke left his umbrella  
W. Nurse — D. Garkshouse  
not at home — W. Singer  
got some Amalgam.

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| — on hand B.N. 9 <sup>h</sup> | £ 8    |
| Gold                          | 4      |
| Silver                        | 1 2.6  |
|                               | £ 95.9 |

— Report of the Naval Vict. conf.

A letter from W. Fairlie. The  
boys cannot come to town  
to-morrow — Accident to one of  
the horses —

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 1811

8 a.m. Ther. 67°

cloudy — wind west  
+ wrote to W. Fairlie in answer  
to his of yesterday (before 8) —  
and to Barden, to have the  
Globe ready on Sat. at 12 o'clock  
also to Mr. McCullough. Left  
+ Evening Barden sent the  
Globe

— Barden 10<sup>th</sup> Section —  
+ Dined with Mr. and Miss E  
Sanders. The other two sections  
in the country —

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 1811

Called on D. Young  
conversations respecting your  
Smith - Mathematics &c

- Mr. W. and son called - the  
sick -

- Mr. Hall called - Miss W.  
kins called, respecting Ward  
Lecture

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 1811

11 a.m. - Therm. 60  
fair - wind East

+ Rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from Jas. Pro-  
fect acknowledging the receipt  
of £20 - in a P. P. Bill -

+ D. Thomson gave a lecture  
on Botany, under Mr. A. lecture

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July 1811

11 a.m. - Therm. 60  
cloudy - wind West

+ City - Call - Bardin - paid  
him £5, 6 for a pair of Glob  
on the Dobson paid M 22 on  
the wine acct. - Dr. W. Frazer  
he did not come to town today  
on the House, drank tea with  
them - Dr. W. Moore

spined all day -  
+ D. Young and the Smiths on Thursday

Sunday 21 July 1811

11 a.m. - Therm. 65  
rains - wind West

+ 10 p on has rained all day.

Monday 22 July 1811.

#  
6½ a.m. Ther. 63.

rains ——— Wind West.

+ Fair at ten — went to the  
city called on and had half  
an hour's conversation with  
Mr. Fairlie —

— Mendis 12<sup>th</sup> — a last letter  
of the course.

Tuesday 23 July 1811.

#  
8 a.m. Ther. 63

clear ——— Wind West.

— Met Dr. Young on the Street  
we called on Mr. Munn, out — on  
Mr. Stoddart, Dr. Garthshore — after-  
wards to the Royal Institution  
Dr. G. and I spent near an hour  
at my Lodgings

— Dined with the youngs.  
— Gave them a paper in Ma-  
thematics.

— on hand B. N £86 —  
Gold ——— 17. 0  
Silver ——— 1. 3  
£ 87. 10 0

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 1811  
7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> a.m. Ther. 65°  
clear Wind North

Employed in preparing  
Dr. Capers' experiments for a  
party of Ladies and Gent  
at 12 tomorrow

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 1811.  
9 a.m. Ther. 65°  
clear Wind West

+ at 12 Mr. Smith, his sister  
Mrs Goldie and the three Mr  
Smiths, D. and Mr Young  
with Mr Smith  
La. Mr J. Smith, attended

performed a number of Ex-  
periments in Electricity  
- after which we retired into  
the drawing room - Noyce  
Port

- Shewed the Maltese Stone  
and Gold chain

+ Dined with the Youngs  
Miss West who had formerly  
been Governor's to Mr. Young  
- Debate on the propriety of the  
Education of the lower classes  
Studying Latin and Greek.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July 1811

8 a.m. Ther<sup>o</sup> 67

cloudy — wind west

— Cuth on Nevers, Sladden  
Brooke all abroad. The two  
journals in the country, and  
the town goes to morrow.

On the News. Some dinner  
about McCarty's bills —

— M. Curran with me in  
the evening —  
I drank tea with E. Janda  
his brother in the country.

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July 1811

8 a.m. Ther<sup>o</sup> 67

clear — wind N. E.

3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> p.m. Ther<sup>o</sup> 70

cloudy — wind N. E.

— A letter, in W. Farth on Monday  
— M. Meredith of with

I B in the evening?

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 1811

8 a.m. Ther<sup>o</sup> 40

clear wind — East.



Rec<sup>d</sup> at Waltham stow, a  
letter from Jas. Peacock, brought  
by W. Hutchinson, of date 24 July  
says Mr. Peacock is returned

— London 11  
Sunday 4 August 1811  
11  
O. a. m. Ther<sup>m</sup> 66°

Clear — wind West  
— called on J. Buchanan.  
+ after dinner<sup>d</sup> with my land  
lord called on W. Sanders  
none of them at home  
" are <sup>you</sup> going to the fields,  
" won't you take your wife with  
you" said a girl on the street.  
— called on W. Murdoch,  
sat with him an hour.

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Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August 1811.  
11  
6  $\frac{1}{2}$  a. m. Ther<sup>m</sup> 67°  
rains — wind South<sup>ly</sup>

7  $\frac{1}{2}$  cleared up a little  
— attended the monthly meeting  
of the Royal Institution

Dined with Dr. Buchanan  
Mr. Fraser, short hand writer  
and Nephew to Mr. John Pen  
Kerton, with see.

a letter from Joseph Penn  
containing one from Mr. Faulkner  
then was from Mrs. W. Lamb.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 1811  
8<sup>th</sup> 7 a.m. Ther. 65

cloudy wind West.

+ Rec<sup>d</sup> Rum, Whiskey and  
Noyeau from Mr. Buchanan  
2 Gall and one bowl

on board  
B N 07  
Gold. 7  
Silver 15  
2

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> August 1811  
9<sup>th</sup> 7 1/2 a.m. Ther. 63

clear wind West.

To the city - calls on Mr.  
Faulkner, not come to town, Mrs.  
Faulkner etc. - On the dober, dined  
with them. - Evening with Dober  
in poppings Alley - Drank  
tea with the Haws.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August 1811  
11 7 a.m. Ther. 45 1/2

clear wind South.

11 30 - a.m. a flask of  
- Nightingale and Clap of Thunder  
Sweet



Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August 1811  
#  
7 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. — Ther. 61°  
fair — wind West.

M. B. called and dined with  
me — had — from — furniture  
— calls — on Singer ordered another  
Galv. trough of 50 pan.  
— M. P. with me in the Evn.

|||||  
wrote to Mr. M. Carthy  
I will not see her on Monday

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August 1811  
#  
8 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. Ther. 59°  
hard fast sky — wind North

1811 12<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 12 August  
#  
8 a.m. — Ther. 59°

cloudy — wind West

+ John Harv and I set out  
for Mackney to see the battery

— M. Sadler and a Capt. Pugh  
of the Royal Navy ascended  
from the Garden of the Mis-  
sion Tavern at a quarter

before three o'clock. The latter  
had a slow steady motion  
— It descended <sup>within 300 yards of</sup> at Culberty fort.  
after having twice crossed the  
Thames.

+ a letter from Mr. M. Carthy.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August 1811

H

at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. Mr. Sanders  
and I went to Singers to  
see Leslie's experiment / see  
a description of it in Singers  
Lectures

On hand B.N. 02.  
Gold — 7.  
Silver — 1. 1. 6.  
£ 03, 0 6

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August 1811.

H

at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. Ther<sup>o</sup> 62.

— Before breakfast took a walk  
to some town — very  
fine morning — heard North<sup>9</sup>  
— Dined with Mr. Sanders.

Mr. Singer, and Mr. Sanders  
Singer's reputation — Mr. D. and  
Mr. S. —

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August 1811

H

at 6 a.m. Took a long walk  
in the fields to the North w<sup>est</sup>  
— met Mr. Hopkins.

at 10 a.m. Ther<sup>o</sup> 62.

clear — wind N West<sup>2</sup>  
— Received the telescope from Mr.  
Hou and delivered it to Mr. Harris  
from whom I borrowed it to  
see the balloon at Haverley  
— Met at Harris a Mr. Stott  
who wanted to <sup>purchase</sup> some Exp<sup>er</sup>  
my 7 can for discharges — Electricity  
I learned afterwards.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August 1811

#  
12 - noon - Ther<sup>o</sup> 64

cloudy - wind W<sup>ly</sup>

- wrote to Mr. Singer to have  
the voltaic trough ready on  
Wednesday next - Electrotonic  
- He says he will endeavour

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August 1811

#  
7 a.m. - Ther<sup>o</sup> 62

clear - wind West<sup>ly</sup>

- at 11 set out from Charing  
cross to Blackheath  
- called on Mr. Pond at the  
Globe? - not at home  
- Dined with Mr. M. J.  
- Long walk in Greenwell Park

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 1811

#  
8 a.m. - Ther<sup>o</sup> 64

clear - wind East<sup>ly</sup>

- Dined with the Morrises, Mr.  
Lindie - described Leslie's Experiments  
on freezing - Davy's System of  
Chemistry - Leslie's new work  
- An old foreigner to sea - He  
is a teacher of music. Gave  
us some Spanish songs w<sup>ch</sup>  
he accompanied on the Harpsichord

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August 1811.

4<sup>h</sup>  
7 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. - Ther. 66.

foggy - wind N.E. by

- M. Singer called to look  
at the large trough -

- Prepared some diluted Muratic  
acid for the voltaic machine

- After dinner, called on Harris  
with M. Faulstich's Telescope.

Called on the Hares - Drank  
tea with them - with M. A.  
and Merton at Pommeroy  
in the Evening -

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 1811

4<sup>h</sup>  
7 a.m. - Ther. 64.5

clear - wind west by

- Call from J. Young, to dine  
with him on Friday -

+ After dinner called at Home  
to be in the country - Ordered

some Nitric and Muratic acid

- at the Hares - got from John

Two plates to pair of plates and  
a brass wire and two files -

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 1811

Employed in putting the helvo-  
nic apparatus in order.

M. Singer brought home the  
trough - A letter from M. Faulstich

- The boys on Friday.

Thursday 22 August 1811  
#  
8 a.m. Ther. 65°

Foggy — wind West<sup>9</sup>

Prepared the Experiment  
for the young Gentles —

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Friday 23 August 1811

Wife's Family with their  
cousins Will. and J. Park  
called at 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> a.m. Showed  
them Chem. and Galvanic  
Experiment — 2 hours —

11  
Saturday 24 August 1811  
#  
8 a.m. Ther. 65°

cloudy — wind S.W. <sup>4</sup>

Called on D. Buchan —  
returned the Electro-phorus &  
amber — went with the D.

to see Rumor. He showed us  
the models of Hauy's crystals —  
From Rumor we went to the  
Royal Institution — Davy in-  
tends to publish only one vol.  
of his Chemistry at first —

After dinner called and drank  
tea with the Stares — The new  
cork is not arrived in the pre-  
sent flat from China —

Called on D. Buchan in the  
Evening found D. Buchan and

W. Dawson - Politics - Reliques  
Joseph - Ten revolutionary years

Sunday 25 August 1811  
#  
8 a.m. Ther. 65.5  
rain ————— wind S. E.

— Dined with the Hares.

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1811  
#  
8 1/2 a.m. — Ther. 63.6  
clear ————— wind west

Fine harvest day all thro.

— Called on M. Jenkins, in the  
country — On M. Sanders, got  
from him Jefford's drawings.

Th  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 1811  
#  
7 1/2 a.m. Ther. 65

clear ————— wind west

— M. Murdoch called and paid  
his note of hand — £21.

— On hand B. N. £ 80

Gold ————— 7

Silver ————— 19.6

— T. B. called ————— £ 01. 6. 6

— Took a walk, after dinner with  
W. Murdoch to seminar town. Tea  
with M. M. — John Hare and  
Ladies in the Evening

— Recd of W. Han a large packet of  
letters from M. B. Wilson.

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 1811.

7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> a.m. — Ther. 61°

clear — wind W —

This day twelve months ago  
I came to my present lodgings  
— My total household expenses  
for the year amounts to  
£18, 10, this includes breakfast  
tea, candles firewood and postage  
of letters — and my dinner  
for the same time £19 —

As it is however possible  
that some <sup>may</sup> expenses ~~had~~ have  
been made, I reckon the sum  
of both £40 — which I think  
reasonable —

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August 1811.

8 a.m. — Ther. 63°

— Shewed Mr. Sanders the Expe.  
of the Electrical fly —  
+ went to Pentonville to see the  
falsification case from Mackney  
— did not see it. Cloudy —

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August 1811

9 a.m. — Ther. 62°

clear — wind S.W.  
+ This morning I went out  
without buttoning — At the Grind  
a man reminded me of it, D.  
D. spoke to me. —

Friday cont.

+ Mr Perry called on Mr Ed-  
miston who agrees to pay the  
£6 he owes me Monthly in-  
statements, the first on the 21<sup>st</sup> Sept.

Saturday 31 August

H  
7 a.m. — Ther: 63°  
clear — wind West

+ Mr Jenkins called.

— After dinner a walk to Great  
Street — drank tea with the How  
called at the Murches in my  
return home.

Sunday 1 Sept. 1811

H  
7 a.m. — wind just off Ther: 65.5°  
clear — wind West

+ With Mr. Murre — only we two

Monday 2 Sept. 1811

H  
8 a.m. — Ther: 63°  
clear — wind West

I never observed so great a difference  
between these <sup>by</sup> fore — They were both  
lying flat on the green cloth on  
the lecture table —

+ A walk at seven before breakfast

+ Went to the city — called on  
Mr. Fairlie, Mr. Stuart and Mr.  
Gibson —



Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept. 1811.

#  
8 a.m. Ther<sup>m</sup> 61.5

clear — Wind N.E.

- + Mr. Murdoch and I drank tea  
with Mr. Stokes at Common town  
— Evening at home, Mr. Brown had  
in.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811

#  
8 a.m. — Ther<sup>m</sup> 61.5

cloudy — Wind N.E.

- + wrote to Mr. M<sup>r</sup>. Carthy respecting  
my interview with Mr. Fairlie  
— both D. B.<sup>r</sup> in the evening —  
He showed me some excellent

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811.

#  
8 a.m. — Ther<sup>m</sup> 62°

cloudy — Wind East by

- + calls on Mr. Mayne Stoddart, he  
is the country — Dined with Mr. Turn  
bull. No 2 Bolt court Fleet street. —  
Mr. Murdoch, drank tea with him —  
He and I called at Long<sup>r</sup>. and Co. I looked  
at the achile Contact in Keir's Cyclo-  
pædia, which contains a weak at-  
tempt to account for the phenomena  
of Newton's coloured rings &c,  
without repetition —

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. - 1811

Perfectly clear - wind East  
Mr. Bunker called  
- went to Pantonville - Dined  
with B. B. called at Lewis -  
+ Letter from Mr. H. Carthy

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811

Cloudy sky

Call - on Mr. Jeffery (at Margate)  
Mr. Ham (at Brighton) on Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>  
paid him for the carriage  
Dei. Jones - on Mr. Ware shore  
+ I received a letter from D. Hunter  
Calcutta.

# Evening saw the Comet. It was  
below the Mars Major nearly in  
the same joining the point of the  
obliquely towards the horizon. It  
set ~~at~~ about <sup>half past</sup> 9 on the Even.  
12

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811

# 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> a.m. Therm. 65°

Foggy - Wind East?

#  
10 Sun begins to shine - Fog clearing  
up fast.

+ took the Bunkers - only  
themselves

- saw the comet - little change  
of place since last night - A  
bright star within the tail.

- saw also Saturn, and Mars about  
2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> below him, near the western  
horizon - nucleus of the comet not  
distinct.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811. —

7<sup>4</sup>/<sub>4</sub> a.m. — Ther. 64.5°

Foggy — Wind N. East

10 cloudless sky.

Mr. Beakland called

+ Calls on Bondelle, Surgeon &  
Hamm. Paid the latter & his  
bill — £1.2.6

+ Saw the Comet in the Evening.

It seems to be moving thro'  
the square of Cassiopeia in  
a direction nearly northward.

+ A Gentleman, an agent for  
schools, called this morning  
for a character of Mr. M. Donogh

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811

8 a.m. — Ther. 63.5°

Foggy — Wind N. E.

— Mr. M. Donogh called at break-  
fast — He is likely to be engaged  
to a School in Brighton

+ Drank tea with Mr. Stace, a  
Mr. Lucas from Charles Town

+ Saw the comet, not very distinct

Wed: 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811. —

7 a.m. Ther. 66°

Clear. — Wind East

— Calls on Dr. Garthshore — Mr. New  
(at Brighton) Mr. Wagnor, Purloy and  
proof of his being the author of the  
wrote to Lyman Water

Wed: cont

#  
6 1/2 p. m. Ther: 73.

very sultry - wind West.

+ I am frequently asked whether  
this uncommon degree of heat is  
owing to the Comet.

- called also at the Stores, where  
I received Mess<sup>r</sup> Mc Carthy's  
receipt for £30 - Requested  
to have the Barometer ready  
by Saturday next.

+ Called also on D. Hope -  
in the country.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811.

#  
8 a. m. - Ther: 60.

clear - Wind East

+ With M. Sanders - his two sons  
brother and M. - on his

gent<sup>l</sup> - Lancasters plan condemned  
for want of religion taught to the  
boys - What has become of the  
many establishments for the Edu-  
cation of the poor? - They are con-  
verted to the use of the rich.

- Free Schools -

+ M. Sanders to<sup>ok</sup> a sketch of the  
position of the comet at 8 3/4  
p. m., and promised to continue it  
every other Evening at the same  
hour - A Balloon, or paper globe  
with a light was kept up in the field  
opposite to Portland Place for more than 1/2 hour.

Wed: cont<sup>y</sup>

4  
6  $\frac{1}{2}$  p. m. Ther. 73.

Very sultry - wind west.

+ I am frequently asked whether  
this uncommon degree of heat is  
owing to the Comet.

- called also at the Stores, where  
I received Mess<sup>r</sup> Mc Carthy's  
receipt for £30 - Requested  
to have the Barometer ready  
by Saturday next

+ called also on D. Hope -  
in the country.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> - Sept. 1811.

4  
8 a. m. - Ther. 60.

Dear - Friend Part

+ with M. Sanders - his two looking  
brother and M. - an her

gent<sup>l</sup> - Lancasters plan condemned  
for want of religion taught to the  
Boys - what has become of the  
many establishments for the Edu-  
cation of the poor? - They are con-  
verted to the use of the rich. -

- Free Schools -

+ M. Sanders to<sup>th</sup> sketch of the  
position of the comet at 8  $\frac{3}{4}$   
p. m., and promised to continue it  
very clear Evening at the same  
hour - A Balloon, or paper Tube  
with a light was kept up in the field  
at Portland place for more than 1/2 hour

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811.

# 8. a. m. ——— Wind East<sup>ly</sup>

Bar — Therm<sup>°</sup> 66. —

- After dinner called on Mr. Pitt  
Hotton Garden, and paid <sup>him</sup> £30  
for Mr. M. Cursey — gave a check  
on Mess<sup>rs</sup> Fairlie, Bonham & Co.  
— called on Harris and bought a  
new inch Celestial Globe —  
+ Concert in the Evening, clear

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811.

# 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> a. m. Therm<sup>°</sup> 64.5.

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811.

# 8.5 a. m. Therm<sup>°</sup> 67

Bar<sup>°</sup> 30.00 just  
Thin clouds — wind East<sup>ly</sup>

rapid change westerly —  
+ Yesterday I put up a new  
Barometer —

+ both Mr. Morris. Con<sup>ly</sup> himself  
and Miss Hopkins.

+ Much Scientific conversation —  
— Concert — Harvest moon —

Monday <sup>11</sup> # 16 Sept. 1811

#  
7.5 a.m. — Bar. 30.07

— — — — — Therm. 64.5

Hazy — wind East: <sup>by</sup>

+ wrote to Mr. Fairlie enclosed  
Mrs. M. Curthys letter to me

— also wrote to John Stewart  
enclosed his brother's letter.

— called on Mr. Harris paid him  
for a celestial globe £1.1.

+ Bought a gallon of gin 12 <sup>sh</sup> 6<sup>d</sup>

— Received a letter from Miss Dobie  
with the same account enclosed.

Tuesday <sup>11</sup> 17 Sept. 1811

#  
7 a.m. — Bar: 30. —

Therm. 63.5

Clear — wind East <sup>by</sup>

#  
2 p.m. — Barometer 29.96

Therm. — 70.

+ wrote to Miss Dobie in answer  
to hers of yesterday —

+ on hand A 69° —

- Drove to see at D. Buehans  
looked at the court —

+ It is reported that objections are  
made to the new west water works,  
the iron pipes, it is said, discolour  
the water — Lord Stourington, has given  
up this water —

Wed. 18<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1811

#  
7  $\frac{1}{4}$  a.m. — Bar. 29.96  
Ther. 64. —

Clear — wind East.

+ went to the city called on  
Mr. Stuart, Fairbairn & home  
Dined with them. —  
Mr. Robertson, his son and two  
nephews and Mr. John Longbridge  
Miss —

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 1811

#  
0  $\frac{1}{4}$  a.m. — Bar. 29.06  
Ther. 62.5

Clear — wind E.

#  
2 p.m. — Bar. 29.03  
Ther. 60. —  
Striated clouds — wind East

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 1811

#  
7 a.m. — Bar. 29.66.  
Ther. 64. —  
Th. 63.5 —

cloudy — wind East.

+ wrote to Mr. Buckton concerning  
him to call on Monday between  
11 and 1 o'clock.

#  
4 p.m. — Bar. — 29.56  
Ther. — 69. —

cloudy — wind S. E.

#  
5 p.m. — wind South.



Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Sep. 1811

7 $\frac{1}{2}$  a.m. — Bar 29.56

Ther — 66. —

Hazy — wind

• Laked the morning at 4. \* +

+ Dined in the country —

7 p.m. — Bar 29.59

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep. 1811

8 a.m. — Bar 29.77

Ther 65 —

Cloudy - Hazy — wind N.W.:

9 a.m. — Bar 29.79

Ther 64. —

12 $\frac{1}{2}$  — Bar 29.00

Edmiston called and paid £1

Paterson — — 25

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