

The Dillwyn Collection

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

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1843 JANUARY

Monday 2	John & Mrs D - drove to Sketty -
Tuesday 3	Remained about Penllergare -
Wednesday 4	Closed a delightful Visit at Penllergare & returned in the afternoon to Sketty - Tho' dusk Miss Mary & I walked to Parkwern -
Thursday 5	Seized with a severe headache while walking in the Garden with M ^{rs} D -
Friday 6	Weather drizzly - not being well did not stir out -
Saturday 7	Nearly the Ditto of yesterday -
Sunday 8	Violent Storms & Hail & Sleet - The two Mary's went to morning Service at Swansea - The Thermometer not much below 40, & the Weather heretofore has been remarkably mild nor have I yet seen more than 2 or 3 slight white Frosts -
Monday 9	For the last 2 or 3 Weeks I have been teased by pains in the back of my head, & I suppose it proceeds from the Stomach - remained at home -
Tuesday 10	Seized in the night by a pain in the Groin & found a Swelling there in the morning which I took to be a rupture - Drove over early to D ^r Howells who immediately sent me back to Bed, & I was abundantly tormented by Leeches, Poultices & Starvation -
Wednesday 11	The D ^r ordered more Leaches & continued starvation & I regretted it the more as our excellent Friends the Trahernes arrived in the afternoon on a Visit - The weather very bad & cold at last -
Thursday 12	The D ^{rs} treatment not much more agreeable, but I was allowed to join our party in the Drawing Room in the Evening -- Lewis took my place at the Dining Table -
Friday 13	The D ^r decided that by his sharp discipline the dispersion of the swelling without breaking was insured, & as I had had nothing more than Tea & Sop since Monday he wisely proscribed a bit of Chicken & 2 glasses of Wine - On account of my illness the Trahernes went to Penllergare, &

have promised to return to us next week - A dreadfully stormy day & the Barometer fell below 28 -

Saturday 14 I continue to mend slowly - - Weather still very stormy with some heavy falls of Snow -

Sunday 15 Miss Mary walked to Penllergare & then with Lewis to Church - The Doctor thinks me so much better that it is unnecessary for him any longer to continue his daily Visits - Tho some Snow fell the day has been pretty fine -

Monday 16 Better & the Weather being tolerably fine I went out in the Garden for half an hour -

Tuesday 17 The Doctor called to find me less nearly recovered than he expected - M^{ts} D in the afternoon took me for a drive on the Mumbles Road - Miss Mary went to a Ball at the Assembly Rooms & slept at Moggridges

Wednesday 18 In the afternoon M^{ts} D - took me for a drive to the Mumbles - - Weather very mild -

Thursday 19 M^{ts} D & Mary drove over to see John who has been attacked by Rheumatic Gout, but is better -

Friday 20 Weather very fine but became a little frosty towards Evening - Drove in the afternoon for advice to Swansea but did not stop there -

Saturday 21 Much better but the D^{ts} desire kept my legs pretty quiet, & for an airing M^{ts} D took a drive with me in the afternoon to the Mumbles - John is better & called here with Traherne unluckily during our absence -

Sunday 22 Tho' the Weather was very bad the two Mary's went to Church in the morning - I ventured an half an hours walk in the Garden in the afternoon-

Monday 23 Remained at home -

Tuesday 24 Drove with Miss Mary for half an hour to Swansea - M^f & M^{ts} J M Traherne from Penllergare returned to us, & Lady M Cole & Miss Talbot from Penrice also arrived on a Visit -

Wednesday 25 M^f & M^{ts} J M Traherne left us for Merthyr Mawr -

Thursday 26 Lady Mary & Miss Talbot left us to spend one night at Penllergare on their way to Merthyr Mawr - I drove Miss D for an hour to Swansea, & she went there again to attend a Ball at the Public Rooms & slept at Moggridges -

Friday 27 A very wet & unusually mild day -

Saturday 28 A dismally wet day which confined us all to the House -

Sunday 29 As it had been all the Week a dark cloudy day with almost constant small rain & very mild - Miss Mary went in the Phaeton to Church & I read the morning Service to such of the Family as remained at home -

Monday 30 The Weather till Breakfast time continued gloomy, & then the Sun broke out, & at this time of Year I hardly ever before witnessed such a delightful summers day - Remained at home -

Tuesday 31 Weather again gloomy & wet - Drove in the afternoon with M^{rs} D - for half an hour to Swansea -

FEBRUARY

Wednesday Weather less gloomy than yesterday - remained at home -

Thursday 2 After breakfast drove with Lewis to Swansea for half an hour -

Friday 3 A most stormy day with alternate Rain & Whirlwinds of Hail & snow - Remained at home

Saturday 4 Weather bad - Not half well - remained at home -

Sunday 5 A bad headache I suppose from too much blood in the brain Box & I did not leave the House - M^{rs} & Miss D. went to Church

Monday 6 Remained at home -

Tuesday 7 Slight frost - Remained at home -

Wednesday 8 Wind cold easterly -but no Frost - only walked to Parkwern -

Thursday 9 A Frost last night & my self registering Therm had fallen a trifle below 32 - Remained at home

Friday 10 Thermometer about the same as yesterday - Remained at home. Ch^s Smith dined with us.

Saturday 11 Thermometer drop^d last night to 30.5 & I had not before seen it so low this Winter - Drove in the morning with M^{rs} D for an hour to Swansea -

Sunday 12 Cold E- Wind but did not freeze - Unwell with a touch of Ear Ache - The two Mary's went to Church, & I did not leave the House

Monday 13 Last night Therm. fell to 29 - Miss Mary went to spend a couple of days with Fan during Mr Moggridge's absence at Margam.

Tuesday 14 Therm.28 last night & I was teased nearly all night by the Ear Ache -

Wednesday 15 Therm last night 24 - Seized by Earache & pain in my Side & kept at home - Miss Mary having been at a sort of a singing Match on Monday & a Ball last night came back to us.

Thursday 16 Therm. last night 22 - Till this Week began we had had no winter & all the Flowers & Birds in our Garden were a Month forwarder than usual so this first Frost has played the Bear with us - Kept at home - The Therm. last night in the upper Garden at Penllergare fell to 15.

Friday 17 Therm. last night 21 - remained at home - My dear Mary has a face ache -

Saturday 18 Therm^f last night 21-² [?] but in the night Wind shifted from N to E - My dear Mary very unwell I fear from a Rheumatism in her head - I did not quit the House

Sunday 19 Therm. last night 29.- My dear Mary quite ill & did not leave her Bed till Evening - a bitter cold East Wind, & we all remained at home

Monday 20 Frost gone - Therm. last night 34. M^{ts} D much better - My Teeth continue to trouble me tho' the Ear ach is gone & I have not got rid of my Cold -

Tuesday 21 My cold troublesome - did not go more than a short walk about the House-

Wednesday 22 The weather being bad I was afraid of going to the Sheriffs Ordinary or to meet the Judges & did not leave the House -

Thursday 23 Cold very troublesome & I only went about the House for half an hour - It is some throbbings of the Ear ache & some pain in the Jaws that rather frighten me -

Friday 24 Lady Charlotte & Miss Talbot, J^o Strangways & Emma came over from Penllergare to Lunch & staid 2 or 3 hours here - I did not venture out further than the Garden tho' my Cold is much better -

Saturday 25 As our dear Fan is far from well I in the afternoon drove to see her with M^{ts} D. & after staying about 11 minutes with her we returned home -

- Saturday 26 The two Mary's went to Church - In the afternoon, John, Talbot, J^o Strangways & R Mansel walked over from Penllergare, & I ventured on accompanying them for a call at Parkwern -
- Monday 27 In the afternoon drove with M^{rs} D. & staid a few minutes at Swansea - The Sheriff J^o Homfray, Winsor Richards his Chaplain, Sir John & George Morris - Henry Lucas the ex Sheriff, C H. Smith & Moggridge dined here.
- Tuesday 28 Drove to Swansea for an hour - M^e, Lady Charlotte & young Theodore Talbot arrived on a Visit -

MARCH

- Wednesday 1 In the afternoon Talbot took a walk to Park Hill & Miss D. walked with Lady Charlotte to Caswell Bay, with no other aid than that of the Phaeton to take them to the Mumbles - Henry Thomas & Lewis & Bessie dined here - Therm last night down to 30°
- Thursday 2 Therm^e last night 27° - The Talbots left us this afternoon for Margam. Vivian & Son, Capt Hewitt Henry Thomas, M^e Gibbon, Nat^l Cameron & F. Fredericks dined & the latter slept here.
- Friday 3 Therm. last night 27 - Fredericks, after being all day on the Special Jury in Johns suit against **Worthington [?]** returned to dine & sleep here - My Knee has swelled & kept [me] at home.
- Saturday 4 Therm. last night 28.5 - Fredericks left us after an early Breakfast returned to the Jury, & at ½ past 6. with the total approbation of the Judge, 11 of the Jury in the most **divine [?desirous]** way decided on a Verdict for John, but Scales of Aberdare, who had been the inmate of a Mad House declared for the Defendant, & the Jury were locked up all night - Henry Thomas & R. O Jones of Fonmon came to spend 2 or 3 days here -
- Sunday 5 Therm. last night 28.5.- The Jury at 9 this morning were discharged without giving any Verdict after some gross exhibition of Insanity by Mr Scales.- The two Mary's with H Thomas & Jones went to Church - Went in the Evening with Thomas & Jones to meet the Judge at Singleton - Frost over & the Evening rainy -
- Monday 6 My right Knee bad & I ventured only on a short Walk - As Johns Trial is now ended my Friend Judge Maule & his Marshall M^e Leafy came to us - Besides Messrs Thomas & Jones who are staying here M^e Chilton & M^e Wilson the Barristers & Harry Vivian dined with us.

Tuesday 7 The Judge breakfasted early to attend Court, & was so ill that he did not come back till our Dinner was over & went almost immediately to Bed - M^r Henry Thomas & R O Jones left us -

Wednesday 8 The Judge & his Marshall left us after breakfast for the Assizes at Haverfordwest – Therm^r last night 32½ - My Knee so bad, tho' the Weather was very tempting that I did not stir out all day - Miss D's Birth day-

Thursday 9 My Knee continues bad & I kept quite quiet - a slight Frost last night.

Friday 10 Knee better but I did not venture to use it much - M^{rs} D drove Miss Mary & left her to spent a few days with Fanny -

Saturday 11 Knee better & I walked a little in the Garden -

Sunday 12 M^{rs} D. drove to Church & I did not leave the House.

Monday 13 6 grs Calomel does not appear to have done me much good.

Tuesday 14 Knee certainly better & I ventured on stepping into the Phaeton & drove with M^{rs} D to Swansea & back -

Wednesday 15 Leaving M^{rs} D. at Parkwern I drove to Swansea & the House of Correction, & on stepping from the Carriage on my return hurt my Knee which was bad all night -

Thursday 16 My Knee very painful & I hardly stirred - became better towards night.

Friday 17 Knee better, but it was injured by a drive which I took with M^{rs} D. on the Mumbles Road -

Saturday 18 Knee very bad, particularly towards Evening -

Sunday 19 The two Mary's went to Church - Knee very bad & did not go out, or have any Dinner -

Monday 20 Sent for D^r Howell - Knee continues bad & I had nothing but Tea all day -

Tuesday 21 Knee rather better - took a little Dinner -

Wednesday 22 Knee worse - Had nothing to eat [?] all day & the D^r has recommended perfect quiet & abstinence.

Thursday 23 Knee rather better -

Friday 24 Knee rather better & I went out a little in the Garden - The Moggridges came on a Visit to us.

Saturday 25 Better, & I ventured on a little drive with M^{rs} D on the Mumbles Road.

Sunday 26 Abstemiousness don't suit me & I have a bad headache & feel much unwell - Fanny & Miss Mary are also on the sick list & only M^{rs} D. & Moggridge went to Church - After several disappointments on preceding Evening we saw the Comet, or at least a long narrow strip of feint light which is said to be the Tail -

Monday 27 Knee better & I ventured on a short walk to my new mixing Room for artificial Manures -

Tuesday 28 Knee certainly getting better but D^r Howell has strongly advised me to take great care of it for a week or two more -

Wednesday 29 Knee better & went to my new Mixing Room & took a drive with M^{rs} D.

Thursday 30 Spent I suppose 2 hours in the mixing Room & am better - Miss Mary & Moggridge dined at Hill House.

Friday 31 Not well & Knee troublesome.

APRIL

Saturday 1 Not much better & the Weather being very wet & I did not stir out.

Sunday 2 The two Mary's & M^r & M^{rs} Moggridge went to Church - Knee perhaps better -

Monday 3 Knee certainly better & I got twice out to my mixing room for near an hour.

Tuesday 4 Busy at my mixing Room but my Knee still weak -

Wednesday 5 Remained at home - M^{rs} D not well towards Evening -

Thursday 6 M^{rs} D. had a bad night from pain of the Sciatic or Lumbago - & I drove over about 10 to see D^r Howell who came in the afternoon -

Friday 7 M^{rs} D. better, particularly towards Evening - My Knee not much so.

Saturday 8 M^{rs} D. better - I drove in the afternoon to get my Hair cut -

Sunday 9 A very wet day & only Moggridge went to Church - By D^r Howells order I last night took some strong Medicine which prevented me from reading

to the Family, & M^{rs} D. performed in my place - Had no Dinner or anything but Tea all day.

- Monday 10 Quite ill all day till I got some Dinner in the Evening which relieved me - Sleet fell at Intervals & the Hills behind Margam & those on the opposite **Cowmb [?]** are covered with Snow -
- Tuesday 11 Felt better than I think I had done for a Month before but my Knee continues weak - John, leaving his Family at Coedriglan came for a couple of days to us - In the morning a good deal of Snow fell.
- Wednesday 12 Ice in the morning & a little Sleet fell - John & Miss Mary drove over to spent most of the day at Penllergare -
- Thursday 13 Our dear John left us about 10, on his way back to Coedriglan - Drove in the afternoon with M^{rs} D to Swansea & back - Miss Mary went to Parkwern to remain there till after Bessie's confinement -
- Friday 14 By an hours walk about my Farm yesterday I over tired my Knee which has been again nearly as bad as ever to day - Being good Friday M^{rs} D & Moggridge went to Church -
- Saturday 15 Knee bad, tho' better than yesterday - In the afternoon took a drive with M^{rs} D to the Mumbles -
- Sunday 16 M^{rs} D. & M^r & M^{rs} Moggridge went to Church - My Knee so much better that in the afternoon I ventured on taking a slow walk with M^{rs} D, M^{rs} M & the Children to Parkwern -
- Monday 17 A lovely Summers day, & my Knee much better - Drove with M^{rs} D - in the aft for 20 min^s to Swansea -
- Tuesday 18 Another compleat Summers day, but my Knee tho' on the whole better has prevented me from taking much advantage of it, for my horticultural Experiments.
- Wednesday 19 Knee still troublesome - In the afternoon took a drive with M^{rs} D. to the Mumbles - two flowers of a Paeony in full blow.
- Thursday 20 In the afternoon drove with M^{rs} D. for a short Visit at Parkwern & found that the Testacella which I had discovered yesterday at Sketty is also common in the Garden there.
- Friday 21 Weather Summery, & a fine steady rain fell all afternoon -
- Saturday 22 In the afternoon drove about some Guano for ten minutes to Swansea, & my dear Mary too busy in her Garden to accompany me - Knee still troublesome -

Sunday 23 M^r & M^{rs} Moggridge & M^{rs} D went to Church, but it was not thought prudent for me to go there - **START**

Monday 24 Knee better & it alternates strangely

Tuesday 25 Remained at home

Wednesday 26 Thinking that the two elder Chicks had yesterday returned from Coedriglan, I drove with M^{rs} D to Penllergare & were disappointed by finding nobody there

Thursday 27 Drove with M^{rs} D to Whites Nursery & leaving her there I went for 5 Mins to Swansea

Friday 28 Remained at home

Saturday 29 Drove in the afternoon with M^{rs} D to Swansea, but made no stop there

Sunday 30 My dear Mary & Fan, having no mourning (on Acct of the Duke of Sussex) disliked to go to Church & I read the morning Service to the Family at home

MAY

Monday 1 Drove with M^{rs} D to Penllergare, the whole Family there having on Saturday returned from long Visits to Margam, Lanelay & etc

Tuesday 2 Drove to Swansea with M^{rs} D to procure some things for tomorrows Jubilee

Wednesday 3 This being our precious Thereza's Birthday, John & Emma, brought their 4 Chicks & Governess to spend the day here - The youngsters dined at one & all our assembled 8 Grandchildren at 4 had Tea in toy Tea sets in a Bower which had been constructed for the purpose in our Garden - The weather was most delightful & the enjoyment great

Thursday 4 Took a drive in the afternoon to the Mumbles with M^{rs} D who suffers from exertion of yesterday

Friday 5 Knee worse, & only went & sat in my mixing room while the sewing of my Front Field with Guano was completed

Saturday 6 Drove in the afternoon to call at Woodlands & afterwards with M^{rs} D to Parkwern

Sunday 7 M^{rs} D & the Moggridges went to Church & my Knee rendered it more prudent for me not to leave home all day

Monday 8 Did not leave home - Mr Berrington dined with us

Tuesday 9 Our dear Fan has this day completed her 35th year - Did not leave home except for a drive with M^{rs} D to the Mumbles

Wednesday 10 Towards Evening took a drive with M^{rs} D to Whites Nursery

Thursday 11 Started for a drive to the Mumbles with M^{rs} D & at the bottom of the Lane one of my Horses kicked his leg over the Pole & we were obliged to walk home again

Friday 12 From the Jar of yesterday my knee last night became very painful & I did not leave the House

Saturday 13 Knee bad - Took a drive in the aft with M^{rs} D in the Mumbles road

Sunday 14 Took by r Howells advice a strong dose of Calomel - M^{rs} D & Moggridge went to Church

Monday 15 Knee very troublesome & I remained almost wholly within doors - Moggridge went with Robt Thomas to fish about the head of the Swansea Valley for a couple of days

Tuesday 16 Knee no better & I remained at home

Wednesday 17 Knee rather better & I drove in the morning to the Coachmakers [?] at Swansea to see about the Pole of my Carriage raised

Thursday 18 Took a drive in the afternoon with M^{rs} D on the Mumbles Road - At 10 this Evening in a ¼ of an hour after the D^{rs} arrival at Parkwern, Bessie was safely delivered of a fine Boy, & everything went to her [?] so wondrous well that it was thought better not to excite M^{rs} D with the news at Bedtime

Friday 19 Before breakfast Lewis brought us the news & glad tidings that all at Parkwern is going on as well as possible - In the morning I drove to get the Pole of our Phaeton altered, & remained about an hour in Swansea - It being our dear Lewis's Birthday he came to dine with us, but through the excitement & want of sleep last night he had such a severe headach as not to eat a Morsel

Saturday 20 A very wet day & I did not go out

Sunday 21 Mr & M^{rs} Moggridge went to Church & I read the morning Service to M^{rs} D & such of the Family as remained at home - In the afternoon I walked with M^{rs} D to Parkwern which overtired my Knees

Monday 22 Remained at home - R Mansell dined with us

Tuesday 23 Drove through Swansea with M^{rs} D & spent a couple of hours at Penllergare

Wednesday 24 Remained at home

Thursday 25 Remained at home

Friday 26 It being Johnny's Birthday all the Penllergare family came over early & spent the day here, but showery weather much interfered with our intended Enjoyments

Saturday 27 I drove in the morning on Business for an hour to Swansea

Sunday 28 I should have gone to Church with M^{rs} D but she thought it imprudent - My knee much better - Mr & M^{rs} Moggridge also went to Church - Walked with Fanny to Parkwern in the afternoon & saw Bessie in the Drawing Room looking wondrous well & also for the first time saw young big Harry

Monday 29 Took a drive in the afternoon with M^{rs} D to the Mumbles & Parkwern

Tuesday 30 Took the Chair as President of the Bible Socy this being the Anniversary

Wednesday 31 Remained at home

JUNE

Thursday 1 As President attended the Council Meeting of the Royal Institution & afterwards gave a handsome dinner to Revd Dr Hewson, T E Thomas, Mr Benson & the following members of the Council & Curators - R A Mansel, L L Dillwyn' G G Francis, Dr Nicol, Mr Rolfe [?], Mr J W James, Mr Bath, Mr Wies, Mr Sibberary [?], Mr Moggridge, Revd Mr Cavanagh

Friday 2 Had engaged to attend a Petty Sessions at Llangafelach, but from early in the morning till late in the afternoon the rain fell in -ss - -l [?] torrents

Saturday 3 Took drove in the afternoon to call at Woodlands & etc & M^{rs} D went on to Parkwern

Sunday 4 M^{rs} D & the Moggridges went to Church

Monday 5 It is 41 years this day since I first arrived at Swansea - Drove to attend a Meeting of Visiting Magistrates at the House of Correction - afterwards called on the Franklens who have taken a House in Cambrian Place & M^{rs} D brought me home in the afternoon - In 1802 I posted from Bristol on the 4th & believe that the Clock had just struck 12 before I arrived in Swansea -

Tuesday 6 The Moggridges left us to pay a Visit at Penllergare & they had remained here since March 24 - M^{rs} D took Fan in the Phaeton & spent an hour at Penllergare

Wednesday 7 Very wet day, remained at home

Thursday 8 A stormy wet day - Took a short drive with M^{rs} D & found [?] it but [?] to turn back

Friday 9 Major Dawson of the _____ (now Quartered at Swansea), T E Thomas & Mr Merrington [?Berrington] dined with us

Saturday 10 M^{rs} D much unwell - I drove to attend a Meeting of the Farmers Club & heard an excellent address from John which the Club had the good sense to Order to be printed in Welsh & English

Sunday 11 M^{rs} D so much unwell that I sent for Dr Howell & we have consequently postponed our intended start for London on Wednesday next - Miss Mary went to Church

Monday 12 M^{rs} D better but still unwell - Remained at home

Tuesday 13 Knee again more troublesome - Took a drive towards Evening with M^{rs} D to the Mumbles

Wednesday 14 The Carriage took me to the Quarterly Meeting at the House of Correction & M^{rs} D in the afternoon drove over to bring me home, my knee being too troublesome & weak to allow of much walking

Thursday 15 Knee troublesome - Did not leave home - Morning wet, but every appearance of a favorable change & after a long spell of cold rainy weather it in the afternoon became altogether Summerlike

Friday 16 Knee last night more painful than ever & I took 4 grs of Calomel & 17 of Colocynth [?]

Saturday 17 Weather very warm - Knee troublesome - Did not leave home

- Sunday 18 Only Miss Mary went to Church, & I read the Service to a part of the Family at home
- Monday 19 M^{rs} D & I set out on our Chariot at 11 & dined at Cowbridge & slept at Cardiff - A delightful day for travelling
- Tuesday 20 We embarked at 9 in the Lady Charlotte Steamer & shortly after 12 were comfortably accommodated at the Bath Hotel in Clifton Downs - Weather most delightful, but my dear Mary, tho' not in the least sea sick found her stomach unsettled by the motion of the Steamer & spent most of the afternoon in Bed - de la Beche drank tea with us, & at ½ past 10 John & Miss Mary arrived in a Swansea Steamer & joined our party
- Wednesday 21 We all four started by the one o'clock Train from Bristol, & before 6 were comfortably situated in Apartments which I had bespoke at Everalls Hotel No 1 Albermarle St - John & I went to dine at the Athenaeum, & he afterwards went to the Polytechnic
- Thursday 22 M^{rs} D with Mary & John visited divers Exhibitions - I called on H Gurney & etc & went no further than the Athenaeum where John joined me at Dinner - We afterwards drove with Miss Mary to the Polytechnic & remained there till about 11
- Friday 23 John went to Bermondsey on Business, & the two Ladies were chiefly employed in Shopping - My Knee being weak I went no further than the Athenaeum where I met many of my Friends - Joined [sic] me there at Dinner, after which the Carriage called for us & we again took Miss Mary to the Polytechnic - Left John & Mary there & returned early to our Hotel
- Saturday 24 The two Ladies & John went to the Horticultural & Kew Gardens & having an appointment with some People from Brighton I did not accompany them - Called in Lindley Yarrel & etc - John & I again dined at the Athenaeum & my dear Mary being tired we spent the Evening with her at our Hotel
- Sunday 25 John & I called at Talbots & Nicholls, & M^{rs} & Miss D made some other Calls - I went in the Carriage for my Knee is very troublesome - We all dined together at the Hotel
- Monday 26 Not well & did not go further than the Athenaeum where I dined with John & he & Miss Mary afterwards went to the Opera
- Tuesday 27 Went with our party to Claudets to meet John who is engaged in some Daguerreotype experiments - John & I dined at the Athenaeum & he afterwards took Miss Mary to the Haymarket Theatre

Wednesday 28 In the night I became very ill & my whole Tremble in such agony that I could with difficulty forbear to call out for assistance which would have alarmed my dear Mary till about 8 when I staggered to her Room - John then went to Dr Bright who was too ill to attend & then to Dr Paris who was out of Town & he procured a Mr Russel an Apothecary - Before 10 Dr Paris also arrived when he found it to arise from Cal - -li[?] in the Kidneys & I passed a day of most severe suffering

Thursday 29 The pain in the morning was less violent & I became much more easy towards Evening - A consistent sickness till then had prevented it, & I was able to take a Cup of Tea & a rusk

Friday 30 Put on my Cloathes [sic] & went into the adjoining Drawing Room - Very weak & much [?] tho much less incessant pain continues - Our dear John who was prevented by my illness from returning home on Wednesday left us by an Evening Train for Bristol

JULY

Saturday 1 Tho better I still suffer continually but was allowed some Broth

Sunday 2 My two Mary's went to Church, & in the afternoon tho' still far from well the D^{rs} advised me a drive with M^{rs} D round the park

Monday 3 Dr Paris took a professional leave & assured me that nothing but a cook [?] was wanted to complete [?] my leaving - By his desire I accompanied my two dear Marys to the Royal Botanic Garden in the Regents Park, & the rumbling over the stones brought on such violent pains that I at once sent for Mr Russel & continued to suffer all the Evening

Tuesday 4 Continued to suffer much all day & tho' the Weather is still delightful I did not go out - Sir H De la Beche came in while we were at Tea

Wednesday 5 De la Beche not quite satisfied with my treatment by Mr Russel, & is anxious for further advice - He dined with us & came repeatedly to see after me in quite a brotherly way

Thursday 6 With Richd Phillips to assist in any analysis if necessary DeleBeche took me & Mr Russel for a consultation which he appointed with Dr Prout, & quite a different treatment was decided on - In the afternoon I with perfect impunity ventured on a drove to call on Robt Browns & again in the Evening with my two Mary's to see the Illuminations in honor of the Queens Birth day

- Friday 7 DeleBeche again breakfasted with us & took my two dear Mary's to see the new C - -oory [?] the Museum of Economic Geology & Westminster Abbey for nearly 6 hours - Feeling considerably better I ventured in the afternoon on a walk to the Athenaeum which brought on severe pain - DeleBeche & Buckland spent the Evening with us
- Saturday 8 DeleBeche at breakfast finding me in much pain took me for a private consultation with Dr Prout who also visited me late in the Evening
- Sunday 9 Continued at times to suffer greatly, in defiance [?] of various attempts by Dr Prout & Mr Russel to relieve me - Both my Mary's went to Church & for a drive in the afternoon
- Monday 10 Continue to suffer much - Dr Prout does not think there is any positive Evidence of my having Cal - -bus [?] lodged in the Bladder, & Mr Russel thinks that the pain me be otherwise accounted for - The Vivians returned to Singleton & their kindness in pressing us to remove to their more airy House in St James Place, it would be impossible to exceed
- Tuesday 11 Thank God - A Stone this morning passed from the Bladder of its own accord, & afforded me immediate relief - From the opiates which in every shape had been continually administered I continued to feel very unwell, & remained most of the aft & Evening on the Sofa - The stone is of the size of a small pea with a very rough jagged texture [?] & of a mulberry color - On analysis Dr Prout found it to be oxylate of Lime
- Wednesday 12 Lewis arrived here last night tho' we did not know it till I saw him & DeleBeche at our breakfast table this morning - The Doctors allowed me no other exercise than a gentle walk to Audley Street, & there I sat an hour with Lord & Lady Cawdor - M^{rs} D with Lewis & Mary & Mr & M^{rs} Royd Smith went to the great horticultural show
- Thursday 13 I have this day been married 36 years to my dear & most excellent Mary - In the afternoon I went shopping with her in the Carriage for a couple of hours without sustaining any inconvenience, & in the Evening we all went to a Box at the Opera - remained there till ½past 12
- Friday 14 Tho' it has not injured, yesterdays visit [?] to the Opera has greatly fatigued me & I took only a short walk to spend an hour with Dr Lindley - Lewis started homewards by the 5 oclock train for Bristol
- Saturday 15 Dined as an Invalid at the Athenaeum & there found dela Beche who had come up from Bristol by the morning & returned back by the Evening Train - A great feel of discomfort from my large use of Opiates & of Lassitude are all that now remain of my late illness, & we have decided with the Doctors on starting homewards on Monday

Sunday 16 Walked gently to Hudson Gurneys, where I sat an hour & returned to our Hotel - Again walked to the Athenaeum where I did not even venture to go up stairs, & contrary to my expectations these short walks greatly fatigued me

Monday 17 Much unwell in the night & so weak that I consulted Dr Prout who advised us notwithstanding to start homewards - Left Paddington by the 2 o'clock Train & at 7 reached Bristol - Quartered at a Hotel at the Hot Wells to be ready for a start by the Cardiff Steamer at 9 tomorrow

Tuesday 18 Weather would not do for the Steamer, & went round by the Old Passage & slept at Newport

Wednesday 19 Reached home at ¼ past 7 greatly fatigued

Thursday 20 Bones ached & I felt much fatigue all day

Friday 21 Took a drive with M^{rs} D to Parkwern

Saturday 22 Took a Drive with M^{rs} D in the Mumbles Road as far as Norton

Sunday 23 Walked with M^{rs} D to Parkwern & it much tired me

Monday 24 The disturbed state of the neighbourhood, particularly with regard to Turnpike Gates, took me to a large Meeting of Magistrates at the Town Hall at 9, & I remained there 3 hours when weakness & a pain in my side obliged me to return home

Tuesday 25 Went again to the Magistrate Meeting & after remaining about an hour my sons prevailed on me to return home

Wednesday 26 M^{rs} D left me early at Swansea & went to Penllergare calling again for me in the afternoon - I was however too unwell to remain long with the Magistrates & within reach of occasional consultations I remained quiet for 3 or 4 hours at the Royal Institution - They wrote a Memorial on the disaffected & alarming state of the neighbourhood to the Home Office

Thursday 27 The Magistrates having adjourned till Wednesday I did not go to Swansea - Drove with M^{rs} D to the Mumbles & on our return called on the Moggridges who have taken Cassino [?] for a Month or two

Friday 28 Went with Miss D across the Cocketts & spent 3 or 4 hours at Penllergare - The jolting over the bad Road, brought on some pain in or about my Kidneys

Saturday 29 Went with John to a Magistrates Meeting at Swansea, & M^{rs} D brought me home to Dinner - M^{rs} D not well, & I sent for Dr Howell to see her

Sunday 30 Neither my dear Mary or myself well & I read the whole of the morning Service to her - Miss Mary went to Church

Monday 31 Region of the Kidneys very troublesome - Did not leave home - Miss Mary went to a Ball at the Bryn

AUGUST

Tuesday 1 Soon after 10 Drove with Miss Mary to Penllergare & it was thought more prudent for my dear old Lady to remain at home - At 12 in John;s new Chapel my young Grandson was Christened Henry de la Beche Dillwyn - Godfathers DeleBeche & I, Miss Mary Godmother - Being fatigued I left the pleasant party at ½ past 2, & to avoid the shaking over the Cockett returned to Swansea

Wednesday 2 DeleBeche & Bessie dined with us - The former slept at Parkwern preparatory for his return to Clifton, & the latter went with Miss Mary to a public Ball

Thursday 3 In consequence of the disturbed state of the neighbourhood I spent most of the day at Swansea

Friday 4 In debating [?] the Trends [?] & exactures [?] practised by the Lepers of the Swansea Turnpikes I spent most of the day at Swansea - The Penllergare Family came to us

Saturday 5 Miss Mary went with Mrs L D to a great Picnic in Caswell Bay - I drove in the afternoon with Mrs D to Swansea

Sunday 6 Not being well my dear Mary last night put on a Blister & I read the morning Service to her at Home - A Penllergare party & Miss Mary went to St Mary's Church - In the afternoon I ventured on a walk to Singleton & it rather overtired me

Monday 7 Not well - Took a short drive with Mrs D

Tuesday 8 Took a short walk with Mrs D - Mr & Mrs Robt Thomas, Mr & Mrs L D, Capt Pickering [?] Lieuts Cubut [?] & David all of the 73rd Regt & Mr Moggridge dined with us - Mrs D L drove with Miss Talbot to Penrice & returned to Dine with us

Wednesday 9 J & E went to Din[ner?] on the Rocks at Oxwich Point - In the aft I drove to the Mumbles with Mrs D

Thursday 10 Drove to a Road Meeting at Swansea with John, & Mrs D in the afternoon brought me back

Friday 11 Mrs D drove me as far as Cassino & I walked back

Saturday 12 Drove with Mrs D in the afternoon to the Mumbles & took a short walk to the Shore

Sunday 13 Mrs D not being well enough to attend Church I read the Service to several of the Family at home, & in the afternoon walked with her to Parkwern

Monday 14 Lewis had a cricketing party which was followed by a cold [?] Dinner & Ball at Parkwern - I went to see the former for a couple of hours in the afternoon

Tuesday 15 John & I went for an hour to Swansea in he morning - Col & Mrs Juland [?] Jones & their niece Mrs Hackett, Capt & Mrs Napier dined with us & Lewis & Bessie joined us after Dinner

Wednesday 15 I walked in the afternoon to Cassino [?] & Back

Thursday 17 Walked to Singleton in the afternoon

Friday 18 Weather very hot - In the afternoon drove with Mrs D to call at Casino & Woodlands - In the morning after breakfast I had driven with John to a meeting of Magistrates at Swansea & returned early

Saturday 19 Weather very sultry - Walked in the afternoon with Lewis & Bessie to Derwenfawr - Heavy Thunder Storm in the Evening

Sunday 20 Weather very sultry for Mrs D to go out, & John also very unwell - I went with E, my two elder Grand Chicks & Miss Mary to Church

Monday 21 My dear John continues quite ill & did not come down stairs - I have this day completed my 65th year & find it impossible to feel sufficiently grateful for the many blessings I enjoy - The whole Family were assembled here, including all my Grand Children

Tuesday 22 Our dear John continues much unwell, but an Engagement for tomorrow induced him to return home & Mrs D took him in our Phaeton - The rest of the Family returned in their own two Carriages - I walked to call at Sketty Park & etc

Wednesday 23 Drove with Mrs D to the Mumbles she went to call at Woodlands, & I walked home by Cassino - Lewis being at Penllergare Bessie dined & spent the Evening here

Thursday 24 Drove with Mrs D & took a stroll under the Mumble [sic] Rocks

- Friday 25 Drove in the afternoon with Mrs D to Penllergare & found our dear John much better tho' still unwell
- Saturday 26 Drive in the afternoon with Mrs D to Singleton & etc & I afterwards went for an hour to Swansea
- Sunday 27 Mrs D & I both unwell & I read the morning Service o such of the Family a remained at home - The pain in my side has latterly [?] again increased [sic] & we sent for Dr Howell
- Monday 28 Suffered much pain last night & was far from well - A very wet day - Mrs & Miss D drove through a heavy Rain to Swansea for a few minutes in the afternoon
- Tuesday 29 Drove to Swansea & as President attended the Annual Meeting of the Free School in Goat Street from ½ past 11 till ½ past 2 - Mrs D brought me home in the Evening
- Wednesday 30 Swansea Races began & I decided on having nothing to do with them - Drove in the afternoon with Mrs D for half an hour to Swansea
- Thursday 31 Drove Miss [?Mrs] D to meet the Singleton party & attend the Public breakfast at Swansea, & brought her home as soon as it was over - Miss Mary went to dine at Singleton & after attending the Race Ball to sleep at Parkwern - It was late when the Post arrived & brought the sad news of my Brothers almost sudden Death at Bath on Monday afternoon

SEPTEMBER

- Friday 1 Went with Mrs D to bespeak [?] mourning, & met John & Emma similarly engaged at Swansea - We came back to Sketty together
- Saturday 2 Remained all day at home
- Sunday 3 We all remained at home & I read the morning Service to the Family - My very dear & most excellent wife this day compleated her 67th year
- Monday 4 Drove for 10 minutes to give a Vote which I had promised at the Harbor meeting
- Tuesday 5 My Brother was this day buried at Bath & I am too much unwell to have attended the Funeral - He was always too easily led by any artful woman but had a warm benevolent Heart, & his nature never allowed him to be any ones Enemy except is own - I did not leave home

Wednesday 6 About 3 my two Mary's set out in the Phaeton & slept at Pyle - Was made very uneasy by finding that my two sons & Moggridge having heard that the Carmarthenshire Rebeccas would attack Pontardulais Gate had determined with Capt Napier & only 7 of his Police on attacking her

Thursday 7 Lewis at 6 this morning brought me the news of the overthrow of the Rioters by the gallant little party, & exaggerated Reports having spread that John was wounded I hastened on & over took my dear Mary at Cowbridge - We went on & slept at Newport

Friday 8 Leaving the Phaeton with some of our Servants to follow us tomorrow from Newnham, I & my two Marys posted on & about 8 reached No 7 Lansdown place which we had engaged at Cheltenham

Saturday 9 About noon our Horses arrived without any Injury & we find our House to be very comfortable - Internal pains continue & I am still much unwell

Sunday 10 Rained very hard in the morning & in the afternoon we attended Service at Christ Church

Monday 11 Took a short drive in the afternoon, & afterwards tried the effects of a Hot Bath which certainly relieved me

Tuesday 12 Dawdled away my time Cheltenham fashion

Wednesday 13 My side in much pain most of the day & a hot Bath towards Evening much relieved me

Thursday 14 Dawdled about

Friday 15 Walked with Mrs D in the morning to Jessops Garden, & the afternoon took a drive with her over Leckhampton Hill - Before Dinner went in the hot Bath & certainly feel better today

Saturday 16 Having before has some misgivings I wrote to Dr Prout, & this morning received his comfortless opinion that another Caluslus [?]has formed in my Kidneys - Arthur Barrington Son of our Friend Jenkin Barrington dined & spent the afternoon with us

Sunday 17 The two Mary's went to Church, & I did not find myself well enough to accompany them

Monday 18 Much unwell from a pain in my side all day - Went in a hot Bath at 5

Tuesday 19 Considerably more free from pain - Drove in the afternoon with Mrs D to a horticultural Show at Pittville

Wednesday 20 Continue more free from pain, & drove in the afternoon with Mrs D to Birdlip

- Thursday 21 In more pain & I tried a hot Bath in the afternoon - Miss D went with the Edens to the Master of Ceremonies Ball at the Rotunda
- Friday 22 Not well - Dawdled about
- Saturday 23 Not well - Mrs D & I in the Phaeton & Miss Mary with 7 Friends of her selecting went to lunch at the Black Stone [?], Birdlip & enjoyed the extensive View for 2 or 3 hours
- Sunday 24 Much pain last night & unwell all morning - Determined to take no more of the Cheltenham Waters of which the usual two Glasses has had an unusually powerful effect - Went with Mrs D to St James Church in the afternoon
- Monday 25 Wm Beach, his Aunt Miss Beach & Mrs Hill a Friend of hers came to dine & spend the Evening here
- Tuesday 26 We went with the Beach party to see Southam [?] now belonging to Lord Ellenborough & Sudely Castle & they afterwards again dined with us
- Wednesday 27 After spending most of the morning with us the Beaches in the afternoon went on to Mr Browns
- Thursday 28 Miss D with a party went on horseback to Sudely Castle, & with Mrs D I spent a couple of hours at Jessops Nursery - Between yesterday & today a remarkably abrupt transition from sultry weather to sharp Frost
- Friday 29 Mrs & Miss D drove for 2 or 3 hours to make a Sketch of Southam
- Saturday 30 Mrs & Miss D took young Berrington for a long drive towards Painswick & he spent the day with us

OCTOBER

- Sunday 1 In much pain last night, & wrote for further advice to Dr Prout - Mrs & Miss D in the morning went to hear Mr Clore [?] at the old Church, but not even any standing Room could be found - In the afternoon Mrs D & I attended the Service at St James' & Miss D with the Edens at Christ Church
- Monday 2 If my dear & excellent Father had lived till this day he would have been 100 years old - Took a drive with Mrs D in the afternoon to Whitcombe
- Tuesday 3 Again in much pain most of the day, & a letter from Dr Prout decided us on going next Monday to Town

Wednesday 4 Miss Mary, accompanied by her Mother went in our Carriage to meet Mrs Smiths at Cirencester & from thence to pay a Visit at Southrops - Mrs D returned soon after 4

Thursday 5 Dawdled with Mrs D to nursery Garden & etc

Friday 6 Side very painful last night - Weather showery & did not go much out

Saturday 7 Weather generally at Cheltenham has been remarkably fine since we came here, but it is today showery

Sunday 8 Mrs D & I attended afternoon Service at St James

Monday 9 Left Cheltenham about ½ past 11 & in 4 hours reached Southrop the new residence of our Friend C Royd Smith where we passe the night - Our Phaeton with 3 servants returned to Sketty

Tuesday 10 With the addition of Miss Mary to our party we left Southrop about 11 & posted to the Shrivenham station & thence by rail to London - Reached our Quarters we had bespoke at Everalls soon after 4 - Immediately had an Interview with Dr Prout, & leaving the two Marys at the Hotel I went to dine at the Athenaeum

Wednesday 11 Dr Prout wishes me to remain for a few weeks under his occasional surveillance, & thinking that a journey [?] up by the train to see him will now & then be of sc - -[?] has recommended us to go to Brighton a few days hence - I dined at the Athenaeum

Thursday 12 The two Marys went to dine & spend the afternoon with Mrs Bevan at Tottenham - I dined at the Athenaeum

Friday 13 Went a shopping with Miss D in the morning & Mrs D in the afternoon - Dined at the Athenaeum

Saturday 14 Started by Train at 12 & at ½ past 2 reached Brighton - Took apartments [?sic] at the Albion Hotel - My dear Mary not well

Sunday 15 My dear Mary so unwell with a sore throat & headache that she did not get up till the afternoon or leave her room except to have the Bad made latish in the Evening

Monday 16 Brighton - I continue much the same with incessant fits of pain in the region of the kidneys - My dear Mary much better, but under all - - - - [?] we [?] thought her so much unfit to undertake housekeeping with strange servants that we have engaged apartments at our Hotel for a Month

Tuesday 17 Dawdled away the day

Wednesday 18 Do

Thursday 19 Do

Friday 20 Dawdled & walked about allday in considerable pain

Saturday 21 Drove in the afternoon with Mrs D to Rottingdean

Sunday 22 My two Mary's went to St Peters Church, but I have been confined by more pain that I hade had on any day for 2 or 3 Weeks, & took a hot Bath in the Evening

Monday 23 Dawdled about & spent the afternoon very pleasantly with my two Mary's at Copley Nursery

Tuesday 24 Spent most of the day dawdling about with Sir Jms South who is on a Visit at the Duke of Somersets

Wednesday 25 Nearly the Ditto of yesterday

Thursday 27 The two Mary's went for a Drive with Miss Janson & I dawdled about chiefly with Sir Jas South & Sir Augustus d'Ester [?]

Friday 27 Drove in the morning to the Devils Dyke with my two Mary's & in the afternoon to the Studio of Miss Marys present Drawing Master, Mr Scot & saw many most beautiful Paintings - Miss Jansen who had accompanied us to the latter dined with us

Saturday 28 Walked chiefly with Sir Jas South for at least 4 or 5 Miles & it revived [?removed] the pain from my side which was very bad last night

Sunday 29 The two Marys went in the morning to St James' Church - In the afternoon the latter accompanied Miss Jansen to the same Chapel & I went with Mrs D to hear W Anderson [?] at St Georges - I have been better for the last two days

Monday 30 A wet day which confined us to the House

Tuesday 31 Do Do Do - Miss Mary spent the Evening at Mr Jansens

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 1 A very fine day

Thursday 2 To our great delight & surprise our dear John arrived about midday to spend a few days with us

Friday 3 We all went to Rottingdean in the afternoon

Saturday 4 Drove with John & the two Mary's through Shoreham along the Shore to Worthing, where we remained near 2 hours & etc

Sunday 5 All the morning very wet - Attended the afternoon Service with John & my two Mary's at St Georges where Mr Anderson preached

Monday 6 Very ill last night & sent for my Friend Sir Js South who is on a Visit at the Duke of Somersets, & he pronounced it to be wholly bilious - My dear Mary much unwell & in Bed nearly all day - In the Evening went with John & Miss Mary to a performance by the old Ship [?] by Mr Love the ventriloquist - My dear Mary much unwell

Tuesday 7 Walked about as usual & in the Evening John & Miss Mary went to see Mr & Mrs Keane in 'the Stranger'

Wednesday 8 Our dear John left us by the 0 oclock train & my kind Friend Sir Jas South by the 11 oclock train also returned to London

Thursday 9 Dawdled about as usual & in the Evening I took Miss Mary to see Mr & Mrs Keane in 'Much ado about nothing -'

Friday 10 Morning very wet - In the afternoon walked on the Pier for an hour with Sir Arthur de Broke who arrived yesterday - He dined with us

Saturday 11 Much pain in my Back all day, tho' I was remarkably well yesterday - My dear mary had not before left the House since last Sunday, & this afternoon I took a drive with her & Miss Mary to Rottingdean

Sunday 12 Much pain in my back (Lumbago?) & I let the two Marys go to St Georges Church without me

Monday 13 Walked about as usual

Tuesday 14 Walked out chiefly on Business - Sir Arthur spent the Evening with us

Wednesday 15 Miss Mary tried to walk off a severe cold by walking to Rottingdean accompanied by her Maid & I went with them as far as Roedean Turnpike - Babbage spent half an hour with me in the afternoon

Thursday 16 Walked 5 miles as usual chiefly with Babbage

Friday 17 My dear Marys cold very bad - walked with Miss D to Copley Findings [?] & afterwards with Babbage - Sir A Broke dined with us

Saturday 18 My dear Marys cold so bad last night that I went out early & procured an Apothecary names Brewstanley [?Brewster] my throat very sore, but I got my five miles walk notwithstanding - Tried a hot bath in the Evening - Mrs D in bed all day - We had taken Apartments at Everalls for today & this attack of Influenza has detained us

Sunday 19 Miss D's cold much better but both Mrs D's & mine very sore - Mrs D did not get up till 4, & none of us went out

Monday 20 The Influenza both on Mrs D & me continues very heavy

Tuesday 21 My old Friend Jos Woods came over from Lewis [sic] & spent the day very pleasantly with us - Babbage returned this morning to Town & I shall miss him much for he has been our frequent & fearless Visitor, but Sir A Broke is afraid of us

Wednesday 22 I went a little out & am better, but Mrs D continues very unwell

Thursday 23 Tho I am much better so far as Influenza goes I had much return of the old pain in my side last night & it has lasted all day - My dearest Mary continues very unwell

Friday 24 My dear Mary rather better - Weather still against her

Saturday 25 My dear Mary certainly better & we began to pack in the expectation of going as far as Crawley on Monday

Sunday 26 Our hope of leaving Brighton soon is much abated for my dear Mary has had a very bad night with much return of Cough & pain in the Cheek - Then influenza with me has almost disappeared & in spite of any coarse Weather I took my prescribed walk of full 5 miles - Sir A Broke spent the Evening with us

Monday 27 My dear Mary better but very weak

Tuesday 28 The Weather having become fine Mrs D took an hours drive, but it proved afterwards to be rather more than she had strength for

Wednesday 29 Took a walk with Miss Mary to the Race Course & not being well it much tired me

Thursday 30 We had intended to go a stage or two towards Town but were disappointed about apartments at Everalls [?] & my dear Mary continued so unwell that I am rather glad of the delay

DECEMBER

- Friday 1 Miss D & I took a longish walk round by Chalybeach [?] Spa to Wick
- Saturday 2 Left Brighton at $\frac{1}{4}$ before 12, & soon after 3 reached Crawley - My dear Mary was better when we started & seemed to be rather better for the Journey [sic]
- Sunday 3 After Miss D & I had attended morning Service at Crawley Church, we drove on & quartered at the Greyhound, Croydon
- Monday 4 Started at 9 by the Croydon railway & engaged our old Quarters at Everalls Hotel - My two Mary's followed me in our own Carriage & arrived soon after 12 - I dined at the Athenaeum - Consulted Dr Prout in the morning
- Tuesday 5 My Cough has returned with considerable [?] severity, & I spent the Evening at home
- Wednesday 6 Mr & Mrs P Bevan came to Lunch with us - Spent the Evening at the Hotel
- Thursday 7 Took some strong Medicine & the Weather being wet none of us went out
- Friday 8 Mrs & Miss D drove to spend the day with my Sister at Tottenham - Lewis unexpectedly arrived on a Visit to us & we dined at the Athenaeum
- Saturday 9 My dear Mary much unwell & my Cough continues so severe that Dr Prout under all circumstances has advised our return home
- Sunday 10 Called with Lewis on Babbage & I dined with Dr Prout
- Monday 11 Mrs D still suffers much from debility - Lewis & I dined at the Athenaeum
- Tuesday 12 A Fog & we used Candles allday - It much affected my Cough so that I could not go much out & we all dined at Everalls
- Wednesday 13 Spent an hour with Dr Lindley - Started at 4 by the Great Western Rail Road as far as Reading & quartered at the Rail Road Hotel
- Thursday 14 Left Reading by the Rail at 35 past 11 & at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 reached Bristol - Posted on direct from the Terminus [?] to dine & sleep at the West Passage where the accommodations are very comfortable

Friday 15 Crossed the passage very pleasantly in the Steamer at 10, & reached Cowbridge comfortably about 5

Saturday 16 To our no small delight we reached dolce Domum before 5

Sunday 177 My Cough severe & side troublesome - Only Miss D went to Church

Monday 18 Drove with Mrs D to Swansea & I walked most of the way back

Tuesday 19 Drove with Mrs D for a couple of hours to Penllergare

Wednesday 20 I walked to a Magistrates Meeting at the House of Correction, & Mrs D brought me home in the Phaeton - Miss D dined at the Edens

Thursday 21 Walked with Mrs D to call at Woodlands

Friday 22 Walked round by the shore & waterwork to call at Parkwern - I afterwards with John & T E Thomas to the Sea Shore

Saturday 23 Attempted to follow Prouts advice by walking with Miss D to Swansea but the rain turned us back & we drove there in the Phaeton

Sunday 24 Miss Mary walked to Church & I read the morning Service to a family party at home - Walked 3½ miles

Monday 25 Xmas Day - Miss Mary went to Church & I read the Service with Mrs D at home - Walked about 4 miles - Lewis & Bessie & Moggridge & his nephew dined with us

Tuesday 26 Walked about 4 miles

Wednesday 27 After having been nearly easy for several days my side gave me much pain today, & I tried a hot Bath in the Evening - I have kept to the recommendation [?] & walked 3 or 4 miles

Thursday 28 Having taken Calomel I did not go much out & my side continued in pain all day - Sir H DeleBeche arrived at Parkwern in the Evening

Friday 29 Side much better, & I took my full allotment of Exercise - DelaBeche, Lewis & Bessie dined with us

Saturday 30 Busy about thinning [?] some of my Plantations & used my legs plentifully

Sunday 31 Miss Mary drove to Church calling for Bessie on her way & I read the Service to part of the Family at home - As the day was very wet I did not go out, & some pain in my side returned

1844
JANUARY

- Monday 1 The Phaeton took Miss Mary to spend a couple of days at Penllergare & in my way left me at Swansea from whence I walked home - spent all the afternoon in moving [?] or cutting down Trees etc - DelaBeche, Lewis & Bessie dined with us
- Tuesday 2 Drove with Granny soon after Breakfast to Penllergare where we met Fanny & Bessie & witnessed the delight of our several Grandchildren at the Xmas Tree - I enjoyed it very much - We returned home to Dinner
- Wednesday 3 On my feet about cutting down, removing or Planting Trees for several hours
- Thursday 4 Walked twice to Parkwern & busy in my Plantations
- Friday 5 Weather wet, but walked about 3 miles
- Saturday 6 Miss Mary returned from Penllergare - Walked near 4 miles
- Sunday 7 Mrs D & Mary went to Church, & I it was thought better that I should not overtire - Took my two proscribed Walks, together 4 miles
- 9th [sic] [?] John & Mrs Traherne arrive [?] on a Visit & Lewis & Bessie joined us at Dinner - Walked more than 4 miles - Traherne & Miss Mary went to a public Ball at Swansea

THE APPENDIX

Hortus Collinsonciarus sent to;

Ap 27 D Turner by Post

 Sir W J Hooker Do

 Dr Lindley Do

 Edwd Forster Do

 R D Alexander Do

-28 Lady M Cole)

 Miss Talbot)

 Cardiff Institution)

Parcel to Coedriglan

 Honn W Strangways)

 J M G Traherne 4 copies)

 Mrs J M Traherne)

-29	Bishop of Norwich)	
	J E Bickens)	
	Jos Janson)	
	J J Bennett*)	to the Lin Society
	R M Brown)	
	British Museum)	
	Jos Woods)	
	Richd Taylor*)	
	Linnean Society)	
contd	Mr Kippish*)	
	Geo Don *)	
	Edw Newman*)	
	M Pamplins*)	
	W T Aiton*)	to the Lin Society
	Jacob Bell Esq*)	
	Profs Henslow*)	
	Dr Boott*)	
	J E Gray)	
	J C Loudon*)	
	Sir O Mosley [?])	
30-	Chs Stokes)	
	Geo Loddiges)	
	Henry Talbot		
	Sir Js South		
	H Gurney		
	Capt W H Smyth)	
	Anderson [?] of Chelsea)	
	Sir H De la Beche		
	R J Murchison		
	Sir Chs Lemon		
	Jas Bateman Esq	Athenaeum	
	Earl of Cawdor		
	W J Birdisip [?]		
	Philip Duncan)	
	Ashmolean Soc)	
	Dr Buckland		
	Mr McGrath [?]		
	Horticultural Soc		
	Athenaeum Lib		
	Edwd Hawkins		
	C Koenig		
	Sir P Egerton		
	J L Guillemand		
	Dr Paris		
	Sir Early [?] Wilmot		

Dr Neill - Post
C C Babington - Do
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Council of the Horticultural Society by Coach

May 18 Mr Vivian)
Mr G Crig) In parcel to Mr Vivian
Dr Graham))
& 5 others for Edinburgh)
Beriah [?] Bonfield [?] - by Post
Mr Selby - do

May 4 Thos Bell
Mr Borrer [?]
London Institution to Edd Forster
P Bevan
A Janson
& 11 others for E Trustees [?] Friends

6 Institution of Swansea & 2 Dictys [?]
C R M Talbot MP
8 Mr Francis
R A Mansell
13 Lord Bute
15 Neath Institution)
Bristol Do) per Mr Moggridge

Antiquarian Soc)
Royal Society)
Norwich Inst) to Hudson Gurney
4 others for Gurney)

19 W Yarrell)
Hon Mr Herbert) to Yarrell per D Edwards
W Van Voorst)

NB The firm sent to Edinburgh besides Dr Graham - - - [?] to the
University Library - Library of the Botanical Society, of the College
of Physicians & of the Advocats -
25 At Rich Alexanders request - - - [?] for Kirby [?] & his Brother
Sir W Middleton, Charles Lillington & etc - 6 copies & in another Parcel
sent 2 for my nephew & niece Sims

June 5 Sir Henry Ellis 4 copies)
Royal Botanical Society) in Parcel to Sir HE
James Sowerby)

20 Marquis of Northampton

E Tuckerman junr [?] Eng [?] Botton [?] 6 only Pamphlets [?]
Earl of Loveless
Mrs S Hanbury

From Dr Prout
Memorandum
July 16 1843

Diet & etc

All vegetables sweets & ///[?] to be avoided as much as possible - particularly all vegetable matters containing Oxalic acid -

Diet to consist chiefly of animal & farinaceous matters, but the light herbaceous vegetables well cooked may be taken moderately - Of the common animal matters Veal & salted Meat, should be sparingly resorted to -

Exercise to be moderate - short of fatigue - Care should be taken to avoid cold, particularly by getting wet or damp feet, or by sitting on a cold or damp garden seat & etc -

The purest water should be employed for all purposes & of Wines Sherry is the least objectionable

WP