

The Dillwyn Collection

The Journals of Lewis Llewelyn Dillwyn (b.1814 d.1892)

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Title page:

L L Dillwyn

Parkwern

Swansea

1848

January 1. Saturday

Sharp frost in the night – ground very white – morning red – Heavy rain set in about ½ past 12 PM & continued all the afternoon – Wind S.E.

Parkwern

Bessie and Minnie walked into Swansea with me after breakfast – at 11 I attended a Town Council meeting for the appointment of Corporation Harbour trustees – I waited an hour and then came away as there was no quorum – I then went down to the works – a little before 1 I went up to the Willows & there found Bessie & Minnie with whom I walked home – Young Buckland lunched with us – in the afternoon I went over to Sketty –

January 2 – Sunday –

8.A.M. – chilly – there has been rain in the night – the clouds look threatening. Wind S.W. Bar^r. 29.50 –
10.P.M. Rain set in in the afternoon –

Remained at home all day as Bessie is laid up with the influenza -

January 3 – Monday –

Rainy an *[sic]* unsettled

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards & Harbour Meeting at 12 – Bessie still laid up – Young Buckland came to us to day

January 4. Tuesday

Fine – mild – wind S.W.

Parkwern

I went out shooting up the Dulais valley with Arthur Jones who dined here in the evening with Buckland who remains till tomorrow – Bessie has not yet left her bad –

January 5. Wednesday

Heavy rain in the morning. Tolerably fine in the afternoon – mild

Paving Commissioners meeting at 11. Works afterwards – One of Popkin Trahernes Sons came to us to day for the Singleton Ball – to which we went in the evening – We dined at Sketty – Bessie is much better & came to the Ball –

January 6. Thursday

10 A.M. Fine & bright – Wind N.W. there was a slight frost this morning
10 P.M. it has been bright & fine all day –

Dock office at 12 – Works in the afternoon –

January 7. Friday

Fine on the whole

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 at 10 a.m. Watch & Ward committees &c afterwards –
Works at 11½ . DeleBeche came by the mail and I drove him out here
about 2 P.M. – We went to a Ball at Singleton in the evening –

January 8. Saturday

Fine – rather cold –

Went to the Works in the afternoon

We dined at the Hill house in the evening –

January. 9 – Sunday

8 am Fine sharp frost in the night – Therm^r now 30. Bar^m 30.02—cold all
day – clear. Wind N.E. Therm^r. 28. –

Walked with DeleBeche on the sands in the afternoon & home by Sketty-

January 10. Monday

8 A.M. frost has been very sharp in the night – therm^r now 27 – Bar^r 30.06
– cloudy – wind E.

10.P.M. – it has been cold all day – Wind E – Therm^r now about 31. – Bar^r.
Rising –

Parkwern

Police court in the morning – Works in the afternoon – DeleBeche came to
me there & we walked home together. in the evening I walked over to
Sketty where Davies the butler died this evening – he had only been ill for
about a week of influenza which brought on a violent attack of bronchitis-

January 11. Tuesday

8.a.m. Therm^r 32 – Bar^r 30.22

10.P.M. thaw in the day – clear & fine this evening. Wind N.E. – red sunset
– not freezing however –

10a.m. Infirmary - & then to Works - about ½ past 2 P.M. I walked over to Penllergare to see the Christmas tree - DelaBeche Bessie & the children had gone over in the morning - Delabeche & Moggridge walked back with me - about ½ past 9 P.M. I went over to Sketty Hall -

January 12. Wednesday

No frost - thaw all

Wind N.E. - high - sky looks very wild this evening

Bar^r. 30.23

Parkwern

10 a.m. Police court - 12½ - Works - DeleBeche found me there about 4 P.M - & walked out with me

January 13. Thursday

8.a.m. Therm^r 44^o wind still N.E. - Bar^r 30.22 -

10 P.M. Wind still NE - mild all day - clear & fine - Therm^r about 43^o -

Bar^r. 30.20

Police court at 10 a.m. - Works afterwards - Dock directors meeting about ½ past 12 - Works again in the afternoon - DelaBeche & Bessie dined at Singleton & I went to the Anniversary meeting of the Lit^v & Scientific Society

January 14- Friday

8 am. Fine. wind N.E. mild - Therm 43 - Bar^v 30.10 -

10 P.M. - Fine & mild all day - wind this evening N.W. -

Police Court at 100a m - Town Council meeting afterwards - Works in the afternoon - DelaBeche left us to day

January 15. Saturday

8 a.m. Fine - Wind N. Therm 43^o. Bar^r 29.89 -

10.P.M. still mild - fine all day -

Works nearly all day

Parkwern

January 16. Sunday

8 a.m. Therm^r 39 - Bar^m. 29.81 - still fine -

P.M - Threatening wind has got round to W. Gulls have come in shore -

Bar - 29.60 - it has however been fine all day -

We went to Church in the morning - in the afternoon we went with the children over to Sketty -

January 17. Monday

8.a.m - rainy & B unsettled - Wind W - there has been heavy rain in the night Bar^r 29.30.

10 P.M. it has been stormy in the day – this evening it is fine & cold.
Therm^r about 34^o Bar. 29.20

Police court at 10 – above 2 hours there – then on to the works – at 4 I met Mr Hall & Cox at the Town Hall respecting some improvements of the cells there –

January 18 Tuesday

8 a.m. Sharp frost in the night – therm now 30 – fine – Ground very white – Bar^r 29.25

10.P.M. about 11 am. Snow set in & continued till the evening - in Swansea it melted nearly as fast as it fell but on the hills it remains –

Infirmery at 10 am – Works afterwards Miss Crawshaw came to us today

January 19. Wednesday

Cold in the day – in the morning it was dark & threatening – Bar^r at 29.06 – in the day the glass rose – the wind came round N.E. & the sky cleared – it is freezing this evening. Therm^r at 29^o

Parkwern

I went out shooting at Penllergare with Iltid Thomas –

January 20. Thursday

Sharp frost last night – cold & fine all day – wind NE Bar^r this evening 29.86 –

Police court at 10 a.m. – Works at 11 – Dock office at 12 – Works again in the afternoon – n the evening I went with Bessie and Mary to a conversazione meeting of the Literary & Scientific Society –

January 21. Friday

8 am. Therm^r- 31^o sharp frost in the night – dark. Wind NE – Bar^r 29.93
10 pm. Therm^r just above 32^o – Bar^r 29.95. It has been very fine all day

I went out shooting with Hussey Vivian & Arthur Jones in Clyne wood –

January 22. Saturday –

8 am. Dark – Looks threatening Wind E or a few points to S. Therm^r. 32 – Bar^r. 29.70

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – home about 5.P.M. Miss Crawshaw came to us again to day

January 23 – Sunday

8 a.m. – Therm^r 32. Bar^r. 29.87. Wind N.E.

10.P.M. Therm 31 – Bar^r 30.12 – it has been fine but cold all day - Wind N.E. but calm

We went to Church in the morning –
P.M. Walked to Sketty &c – Mary & Mr Wilmot dined with us –

January 24. Monday

8a.m. Therm^r 30 – Bar^r. 30.20 calm – wnd N – clear –
10.P.M. Bar^r 30.20. Therm^r 32 – fine all day – cold –

Police Court at 10 – Dock meeting at 11 – Works in the afternoon – then
Iltid Thomas & Miss Crawshaw dined with us – Miss C left us for the Hill
House this evening – after dinner we went to a concert for the benefit of
the Infirmary – we got back about 11½ P.M.

January 25 – Tuesday

8 am. Bar^r 30.20 – Therm^r 31½. Wind E – high – very cold
10.P.M. Therm^r 30 – Bar^r 30.04 – wind very high – E.N.E. it has been very
cold all day –

Parkwern

Infirmary at 10 am – Works afterwards where I was busy till dinner time
about effecting a reduction in the standing expenses of the establishment
– Mary walked home with me in the evening –

From here on I ceased to use superscript for Thermr or Barr!!

January 26. Wednesday

8a.m. Barr 29.85 – Thermr 30⁰. Wind still high – its violence has however
something abated – E.N.E. cloudy –

Works all the morning – Mary walked in with me & I came out with her
about 2 P.M – I then went over to Sketty Hall & then on to skate on a pond
in Sketty Park with Hussey Vivian –

January 27. Thursday

8.a.m. Thermr 27⁰ – Barr 29.81 –
Clear fine – Wind NE –
1½ a.m. (early morning) Thermr 25. Barr 29.70 Wind very cold all day

Police court at 10 a.m. Works at 11. Dock office at 12 – Works again in the
afternoon – We dined at 5 & then went with Minnie to a childrens party at
the Biddulphs – at 8 I left it & went to a meeting of the Lit^v Soc^v where Iltid
Thomas read a paper on agriculture – at 10 I returned to the Bidulphs
whence we came away about 1 a.m.

January 28. Friday

8 a.m. Thermr 21⁰ Barr 29.59. Wind East – not high as it has been –
10 P.M. Thermr 23⁰ – Barr 29.60 fine all day but very cold – canal is
stopped –

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Police court at 10 a.m. Watch & Ward committee at 11 – Works afterwards.

January 29. Saturday

8 a.m. Thermr 32½ . Barr 29.60 Wind E.S.E – rather high – dark & cloudy to windward

10 P.M. Thermr 27⁰ Barr 29,51 – Some rain fell about 12 to 1 PM. but otherwise it has been fine – it has been thawing rapidly all day – Wind S.S.E-

Police court at 10 a.m. Works 10½ - Dock office at 1½ - home to dinner –

January 30. Sunday

8 a.m. Thermr 42⁰ Barr 29.20 Heavy rain fell from S.E – dark & gloomy

10.P.M. Thermr 38. Barr 29.06 it has rained the whole day – the wind got round to the West about midday

I did not go out on account of the weather except to Sketty in the afternoon –

January 31. Monday

8 a.m. Thermr. 34 – Barr 29.06

Wind N.E. there ahs been a frost in the night

10 P.M. fine all day – it is now freezing – Thermr outside my window 33 – Barr 29.30 – Wind N.W.

Parkwern

Dock meeting at 12 – being the ½ yearly meeting of Shareholders – one was called by Howden at 10 at the castle where I attended for the purpose of protesting against it – No meeting however was held nor was Mr Howden or any person on his behalf there – the meeting at 12 lasted about a couple of hours and I then went to the works – I returned with Bessie – in the evening I took the chair of a public meeting for petitioning Government to do away with the Sunday delivery of letters – before opening the proceedings I stated to the meeting that I took the chair as Mayor in my official capacity but that I am oposed [*sic*] to the objects of the petition –

February 1. Tuesday

8 am Termr 29⁰ – Barr 29.67

Fine – Bright – calm

10 P.M. Thermr 36⁰(?). Barr 29.86

Frosty towards dark – it has been fine all day

Parkwern

Infirmery at 10 – Works afterwards – I dined at Singleton to meet Lord Cawdor & some other magistrates from Carmarthenshire Pembrokeshire & this county who are on a committee respecting a Lunatic Asylum –

February 2 – Wednesday

8 a.m. Therm 30.00 – Therm 36 –

10.P.M. very fine all day mild – Wind W.S.W. Thermr about 28⁰. Barr 30.10

I went out shooting on Loughor Marshes

Feb^v 3. Thursday

8 a.m. Thermr 42⁰ – Barr 30.10

10.PM – still mild – Wind SW Barr 29.95 – fine – it has been dark & lowering but this evening it is clear starlight –

Police Court at 10 a.m. Works afterwards – Dock office at 1.P.M. Works again in the afternoon – In the evening I attended as meeting of the Literary and Scientific Societys – Bessie went over to Sketty – I returned about 11 –

February 4 Friday –

8 a.m – very mild – Thermr 45 Wind S.S.W – rain in the night Barr has not fallen much

10 P.M Barr 29.85 –

Mild muggy rain nearly all day

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 a.m. – Watch & Ward committee afterwards – Works the rest of the day – home to dinner –

February 5 – Saturday

8.a.m. Barr 29.91 – Thermr 48 – it has been raining heavily in the night - thick foggy rain this morning – Wind W –

10 P.M. Barr 29.90 Therm 48⁰ – Wind W – Rain without intermission all day

I did not go to Swansea – sorted papers &c at home – went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

February 6 – Sunday

8 a.m. Thermr 48 – Barr 29.95 rain in the night. wind S.W.

10 PM. Still very mild – Barr 30.00 it has been raining nearly all day – Wind.S.W.

Went with Bessie over to Sketty in the afternoon

February 7.Monday

8 a.m. Very mild – Barr 29.87 misty & rainy –

10 P.M Barr 29.75 – mild – Wind S.W. the weather has been misty & rainy the greater part of the day – towards evening the sky cleared a little

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 a.m. Works at ¼ 11 Harbour meeting at 12 – Dock office afterwards – at 3 P.M. I met Benson & Francis at Mansfields office on a committee respecting the action between the Duke of Beaufort & the Corporation – I went to the works again afterwards & home to dinner at 6 oclock –

February 8 – Tuesday

8a.m. very mild. Barr 29.72 – rainy in the night –

10 P.M. Barr 29.3 Wind W – heavy rain – it was fine in the forenoon , in the afternoon about 3. rain came on

Infirmery at 10 a.m. Corporation finance committee at 11 – Works afterwards

February 9 – Wednesday

8 a.m. Mild. Wind very high S.W. Barr 28.85 heavy rain & wind in the night

10 P.M. Barr 28.90 – Wind has been high in the day – in the a.m. it was threatening for rain but in the P.M it cleared off –

I went out Shooting to Penllergare –

Feb^y. 10. Thursday

8 a.m Barr. 28.78

10.P.M. Bar. 28.63 clear & fine on the whole Thermr about 40 – Wind W-

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Police court at 10 – works afterwards Dock office at 1.P.M. – works again in the afternoon –

Feb^y 11. Friday

8 a.m. Barr 28.86 Showery – wind W

10 P.M – Barr 29.44 it has been fine all day – Wind N.W. colder in the evening –

Police Court at 10. Watch & Ward Committee at 11 – at the Town Hall – Quarterly Town Council meeting at 12 – Works about 2 P.M. Bessie called for me about ¼ 5 - & I walked home part of the way with her

February 12. Saturday

8 a.m. Barr 29.29 Thermr 35^o

10 P.M Barr 29.73 clear & fine in the morning – about 4½ however drizzling rain came on – Wind W –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – came home about 2½ PM & went into the Garden with Bessie – at 5. I went up to the village to take an examination of a pauper –

February 13. Sunday

8 am. Barr 29.80 – mild & foggy

10 P.M. Barr 29.70 – misty rain set in about midday which continued all the evening – mild wind S.W. –

We went to church in the morning – I went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

February 14. Monday

8 am. Barr 29.63 Dark & threatening – mild Wind W – calm

10 P.M. Barr 29.40 – it has rained nearly the whole day without intermission – very mild –

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Police office at 10.a.m. Works afterwards –

February 15. Tuesday

8 a.m Barr 29.34. Wind NW Showery

10 PM. Barr 29.42 – showery all day – fine between whiles – Wind N.W. clouds Cumulus

Infirmery at 10 – Petty Sessions at Town Hall at 12 – Works afterwards – about 4 P.M. Bessie called for me & I came out with her –

February 16. Wednesday

8 a.m. Barr 29.45. Frost in the night. bright & clear Wind NW, Clouds Cumulus –

10 PM – Barr 29.88 – cold all day – fine –

Police court at 10. Works afterwards – about 2½ P.M. I went with Bessie to call on the Grenfells – We afterwards called at Singleton - -

February 17 – Thursday

8 a.m. Barr- 30.10 – fine cold – sharp frost in the night –

10 P.M. – fine all day – Wind NE. Barr- 30.24. frosty again to night

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Dock office at 1-P.M. - & afterwards with B^d of Guardians – home to dinner – in the evening attended meeting of the Lit & Scient - Soc^y

February 18. Friday

8 a.m. Barr 30.24 cold. frost in the night Wind N.E.

10.P.M. Barr 29.70 heavy rain wind S.S.E – soon after breakfast the wind shifted & the sky became overcast – rain set in after dark

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10.a.m Police court & Town council committees – Works afterwards –
Walked out with Bessie & Minnie – Mary spent the evening with us - & I
went over to Sketty with her about 10 P.M

February 19. Saturday –

8 a.m. Barr 29.60 – heavy rain in the night – fine in the morning –
10.P.M Barr 29.40 – Fine all day, overcast and threatening for rain this
evening –
Police court at 10. afterwards I attended a meeting at Mansfields office
respecting the trial between the Duke of Beaufort & the Corporation
respecting the Wastes on the Sea shore which will be tried an *[sic]* the
ensuing assizes – Works in the afternoon – home to dinner at 6. –

February 20. Sunday

8 a.m thick & rainy Barr 29.20
10 P.M. Bar-29.63 the weather cleared up soon after breakfast & the wind
got up to the north – fine the rest of the day but rather cold

The weather was so threatening in the morning that we did not go to
church – in the afternoon we went over to Sketty –

February 21. Monday

8 am Barr 29.62 Mild – threatening
10-P.M – Bar 29.40 – mild – it has rained nearly all day
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Police Court at 10.am. J T Jenkins office afterwards – Works in the
afternoon – home to dinner –

Feb^y 22 – Tuesday

8 a.m – Barr 29.22 rainy
7 P.M – Bar 29.00 – it rained heavily all the morning – in the afternoon
however it cleared up

Infirmary at 10.a.m. Town Hall improvement committee at 11 – Works
afterwards till 3 P.M. when I attended a Dock meeting – We had a party in
the evening –

February 23. Wednesday

8 am. Bar ? – fine but looks still unsettled – Wind S.W –
10-P.M. Bar 29.16 – it has been fine all day. Mild – looks threatening

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – returned about 4 - & went over to
Sketty –

February 24. Thursday

8 a.m. Barr 29.06 Wind W. Rainy
10 P.M – Barr 28.78. Wind S.W. high heavy rain which set in in the
afternoon – the forenoon was stormy & unsettled –

Police court at 10. Attwoods office afterwards to commit a man for felony
– Adjourned quarter Sessions at the Town Hall afterwards. 1½ P.M I
attended a Dock meeting – Works in the afternoon –

Feb^y 25. Friday

Wind high but fine on the whole – rain at night

Parkwern

Police court at 10. Watch & Ward committee at 11. Works afterwards –

Feb^y 26. Saturday

8 a.m. Barr 28.25 – stormy

10 P.M. Barr 28.37. stormy all day heavy rain & wind to night –

Police court at 10 – Town Council special meeting at 11 – Works,
afterwards – Sheriffs ordinary at 3 P.M. after which I went out to meet
Judge. E Traherne returned here with me to stay over the Assizes –

Feb^y 27 – Sunday

8 am. Barr. 28.58 Wind high

10 PM. – Barr. 28.86 – wind high fine on the whole

We went to Church in the morning & went over to Sketty in the afternoon
– Traherne dined at Singleton & Bessie at Sketty – I had a headache &
stayed at home

Feb^y 28. Monday –

Wind high but finer on the whole

Wind W – at 8 a.m. Bar. 29.00

I attended on the Grand Jury – Traherne still with us – We dined with the
Judge – Henry Thomas came out here for to night –

February 29. Tuesday

8 a.m. Barr- 29.20 threatening

10 P.M. 28.58 heavy rain came on in the afternoon –

Parkwern

Police court at 9½ - Grand Jury afterwards – Works in the evening –
Traherne remains with us – Benson G.Morris & Penrice¹ dined with us –

March 1. Wednesday

8 a.m. Barr. 28.58

10 PM “ “ 87 –

Heavy rain in the morning – fine on the whole the rest of the day

¹ Thomas Penrice of Kilvrough. Born April 1820 near Great Yarmouth. Married Louisa, 2nd
daughter of Revd. George Howman of Barnsley Rectory, Gloucestershire. Succeeded his
uncle Thomas of Kilvrough 1848. JP for Glamorganshire. High Sheriff 1867.

Works in the morning – at 12½ I attended a committee to meet Talbot respecting the Swansea Grammar School – in the afternoon I went to the works again – home to dinner at ½ past 6 o'clock – Traherne is still with us -

March 2. Thursday

10.P.M Bar 29.53 –

Heavy showers in the morning – fine the rest of the day – Wind N.N.W –

Police court at 10 – Works at 11½ - Dock office at 1 P.M - & Works again in the afternoon – shewed the Works to E Traherne – We dined at Sketty Hall in the evening –

March 3. Friday

8 am. Bar 29.77

10 PM “ 29.90

Fine all day – Wind N. rather cold –

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Police court at 10.a.m –

Do – committee at 11.am –

Works afterwards – at 3 P.M I went over with Calvert Jones and Wilmot to the Patent Fuel C^{os} works where we met Mr Arthur Eden who shewed them to us – We also had a conversation with him respecting the Docks – he afterwards walked home with me –

March 4. Saturday

8 a.m. Barr 29.90 –

10 PM “ 29.90 =

Fine all day – lowering in the afternoon heavy rain at night – calm –

Police court at 10 – Works afterwards – I came home about 2 PM. & walked over to Sketty with Bessie –

March 5. Sunday

8 a.m- Barr. 29.58 rain Wind W –

10 P.M. “ 29.75 – the rain cleared soon after breakfast & the wind got up to N.W – clear & fine all the rest of the day – rather cold –

We went to church in the morning –

P.M. I went with Harry & Amy to Sketty – Minnie has got a cough & Bessie has chilblains & could not walk –

March 6 Monday

8 a.m Bar. 29.74

10 PM “ 29.53

Fine in the day – rain to night

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Police Court at 10 – Works in the afternoon –

March 7. Tuesday

8 a.m. Barr 29.56 rainy wind NE.

10 PM. “ 29.96

Fine all day – cold –

Infirmery at 10 a.m – Town Hall on Finance committee &c at 11 – Works afterwards – home to dinner at 6 – Minnie & Harry are not well; we think they have got hooping cough –

March 8. Wednesday –

8 a.m. Barr 30.03 dark & gloomy no rain

10 P.M “ 29.95 rain – it has rained without intermission all day – Mild – Wind S.W-

Paving Commissioners meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon – home at 6.

March 9. Thursday

8 a.m. Barr 29.83 thick rain – mild Wind SW.

10.P.M. Barr 29.45. rain the whole day – Mild – Wind S.W.

Police Court from 10 a-m. To 1 P.M. from 1 to 2½ Dock office – Works the rest of the afternoon – home to dinner at 6.P.M - -

March 10. Friday

8 a.m. Barr 29.25 - - Wind W. Stormy – no rain

10.PM. Bar. 29.30.- Wind rather high – Showery – but on the whole fine-

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Town Council meeting at 11. Works in the afternoon – the children are all poorly with bad cough & bilious attacks –

March 11- Saturday

8 am Barr 29.30

10.PM. Barr – 23.68

Cold – Wind N.W. stormy and unsettled

Police court at 10. Works in the afternoon – home to dinner – the children still very poorly – Bessie also has got a bad cold –

March 12 – Sunday

8 a.m. Bar 28.60

9.a.m. Barr 28.62½ .

(D° – at Mr Jenkins Swansea 28.96)

Fine – cold – Wind NW –

The children & Bessie all poorly – I did not go out – Mary came over here this morning –

March 13. Monday –

8 a.m. Barr- 28.90

10 P.M – Barr- 29.53.

Showers of hail occasionally fell. Wind NNW - - cold and clear

Police court at 10 – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon – The children are all better this evening –

March 14. Tuesday

8 a.m. Barr 29.60 fine, white frost

10 P.M. 29.70 – it has been bright & fine in the day – cloudy this evening –

Parkwern

Infirmery at 10. Busy there revising rules till ½ past 12 – then went to the works – Dock office at 3. & works again afterwards – home to dinner at 6 – the children are all better this evening –

March 15. Wednesday

9 a.m. (?)

10 PM – 29.45 – A few slight showers have fallen to day but on the whole the weather has been fine - Wind N.W.

Police Court at 10 – Works in the afternoon - about 4 oclock P.M. Bessie called for me in the carriage at the works & I came home with her – the children continue all better this evening – I am going tomorrow to Bristol on Dock business and afterwards on to Birmingham on Pottery business –

March 16. Thursday

Fine in the morning rain in the afternoon – Wind N.E.

Royal Western Hotel – Bristol

I came up here with G.B.Morris by the Bristol Mail to Cardiff and thence on by the Cardiff & Bristol Steamer –

March 17- Friday

Rainy all day – Wind N.E.

Birmingham

About ¼ to 11 a.m. G Morris & I went to the Gloucester hotel in the Hot Wells & there met J.T.Jenkin – Michael and Walter soon arrived and about ½ past 12 Col Cameron and Mr Elderton came – by about 3 P.M. we had arranged our business – G.Morris proceeded to London and I came on here by the express train which left Bristol about 10 minutes to 4 & got in about 5 m-past 7-

March 18. Saturday

Heavy rain with intervals of sun shine –

Gloucester

I was busy all day at Birmingham on Pottery business – Saw Rabone & Co
– Muntz & Purden & Messenger & Co – I came away about ½ past 6 - &
arrived here about ½ past 9 – I now wait to take the Mail to Swansea

March 19. Wednesday

Fine on the whole till about 2 PM when very heavy rain set in – wind N.W.
cold –

Parkwern

I left Gloucester by mail at about 2.a.m. & got here about 1 P.M. I then
went over to Sketty –

March 20. Monday

Unsettled – fine at intervals – in the morning sleet fell –

Police court in the morning at 10 – Works in the afternoon – drove home
in the carriage with Bessie in the afternoon –

March 21. Tuesday

9 a.m. Barr – 28.82 – Attached Thermr. 50
Showery & unsettled – fine on the whole –

Infirmery at 10 – Town Council & Paving meetings at 11 – Works
afterwards Dock office at 3 P.M. Works again till dinner time –

March 22. Wednesday

9.a.m. Barr- 29.35 Att. Thermr 49
Rainy & unsettled. wind W.

Police court at 10 – arranged report of Lit & Scientific Socy for printing
with Jenkins afterwards Works next – at 1 P.M. attended meeting of
Visiting Magistrates at House of Correction - & afterwards went to the
works again till dinner –

March 23 – Thursday

9.a.m. Barr 29.50 – attd. Therm 54
Fine on the whole –

Parkwern

Police court at 10 a.m. Works afterward – Dock office at 1. Works again in
the afternoon – Bessie & I dined at Sketty in the evening –

March 24 – Friday

9 am Bar. 29.90 attd Thermr 53
Very fine all day – mild – Wind W

Police court at 10 – Watch & Ward committee at 11 – Works afterwards –
At 2 P.M. I attended a meeting of the Royal Institution council – came
home in the evening with Bessie & the children –

March 25. Saturday

9 am. Bar 29.98 Attd Thermr 51

Fine – bright – mild

Police court at 10 – Works the rest of the day

March 26. Sunday

9 a.m. Barr 29.60 Attd Thermr 53

Very fine –

We went to church in the morning – in the afternoon we went over to
Sketty & took the children with us –

March 27. Monday –

9 a.m. Barr 29.48 Attd Thermr 53

Very fine in the morning – a little rain fell in the middle of the day fine
again in the afternoon

Parkwern

Police court at 1 a.m. – Works afterwards – Dock office at ½ past 1 –

Works again in the afternoon –

March 28. Tuesday

9.a.m. Barr 29.45. att Therm 53

Fine all day with the exception of a few slight showers – wind S.E.

I had a bad bilious attack and did not go out

March 29 – Wednesday –

9 a.m. Barr att Therm

Very fine –

Police court at 10. Works the rest of the day –

March 30. Thursday

9 a.m. Barr attd Thermr

slight showers fine on the whole. wind E.

Police court at 10 – at 11 I started by the Mail for Pyle to attend a Finance
committee – I got there about 1 – and returned with John afterwards – I
walked home from Wych tree bridge where I left him – got home about ½
past 6 P.M. –

March 31. Friday

Very fine

Sketty Hall

Police court at 10 – Watch and Ward committee at 11 – Works afterwards.

We came over here to dinner - The children with us on a visit –

April 1. Saturday

Very fine – hot & bright

Police court at 10 – Works afterwards – Dock office at 3 – works again in the afternoon –

April 2. Sunday

Very fine – hot & bright

We went to Church in the morning. Walked out with the children in the afternoon –

April 3. Monday

Very fine - hot.

Police court at 10. Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon –

April 4. Tuesday

Very fine –

I went to Cowbridge by the 6 o'clock mail this morning to the Quarter Sessions – I returned by the down mail about ½ past 3 –

April 5. Wednesday

Fine on the whole but overcast & threatening at times – rain came on at night – Wind S.W.

Sketty Hall

Police court at 10 – Paving meeting at 11 – works afterwards – in the afternoon I went to the Town Hall & Police court with Mr Kingscote treasurer of the Small Debts court who has come down to report on an application from the council for a grant from that court in aid of the extension of the Town Hall –

April 6. Thursday

Fine – Wind N – rather cold – there was rain in the night

Police court at 10 – Works afterwards.

Dock office at 3 P.M.

home to dinner at ½ past 6 – in the evening I went to the meeting of the Lit^y Soc^y

April 7. Friday –

Fine in the morning – showery in the afternoon –

Police court at 10 – Watch & Ward Committee at 11 – Works afterwards.
Went with Bessie & the Sketty party in the afternoon to see the Wild Beast
Shew –

April 8. Saturday

Fine. Cold wind N.E-

Sketty Hall

Police court at 10 – Works afterwards – home to dinner at 6½ -

April 9. Sunday

Fine – Cold – Wind N.E.

We went to church in the morning – Mr Warrington Smyth came here (for
a couple of days) in the afternoon –

April 10. Monday

Showers of rain & Snow – Wind N.W.

Smyth accompanied me to Swansea this morning – 1st to the Police court
& then to the Works – We looked for flint fossils in my flint yard – about 1
P.M. we went to Parkwern & then down to the Mumbles where we
examined the Quarry under the Castle and the Mine of Red Haematite Iron
ore on the Mumbles point – We got home here to dinner at 6½ --

April 11. Tuesday

A.M Fine – wind N-

P.M. Heavy rain – Wind SW- high

Sketty Hall

Infirmery at 10 – Town Council finance meeting at 11 – Docks office 2 P.M.
Works in the afternoon – Smyth left this morning – Miss Ward came here
to day

April 12 – Wednesday –

Fine – rather dark – heavy rain & high wind at night –

Police court at 10 – Works afterwards – Miss Southern came to us to day –

April 13. Thursday

A.M – Fine

P.M. about 5 – heavy rain set in Wind S – towards night the wind got up to
N - & the rain cleared off

Police court at 10 – Works afterwards Dock office at 2 P.M & then I went
to the Board of Guardians to see JDL – home to dinner –

April 14

Fine all day. wind N.W. -

Police Court at 10. Town Council meeting at 11, which lasted till ¼ 2 [?]
P.M. Works in the afternoon. home to dinner -

April 15. Saturday

Heavy rain all the morning Wind S.E.
About 3 P.M. the wind changed to W. & the weather cleared up - -

Sketty Hall

Police Court at 10 - Works afterwards. Dock office at 2 P.M. Works again
in the afternoon -

April 16. Sunday

Fine in the morning but misty - heavy rain in the afternoon

A.M. Went to church

P.M. Went out with Harry & Bessie but we were driven in by the rain.

April 17. Monday

Fine on the whole. - rather showery
Wind high - N.W.

Police Court at 10 - Works afterwards. came home with Bessie in the
afternoon

April 18. Tuesday

Heavy rain nearly the whole day

Infirmery in the morning at 10 - Petty Sessions at 11 - which lasted till
about 4½ - P.M. I then went down to the works - home to dinner at 6 ½ -
had a headache - Harry was seized with one of his croupy attacks in the
evening & we sent for Dr. Williams about ¼ 11 P.M - he got here about ¼
12 - -

April 19. Wednesday

Heavy showers - fine at intervals -

Sketty Hall

Police Court at 10 - Town Council Committee at 12 - Attended meeting of
visiting justices at the House of Correction at 1 PM. Works in the
afternoon - home to dinner - Harry is much better to day -

April 20. Thursday

Fine - overcast towards night. rain began to fall about 10.P.M.

Police Court at 10. Works afterwards home to dinner - in the evening I
drove to attend the meeting of the Lit^v & Scient^v Socy- Dr Bird read a
paper on Civic Malaria -

April 21 – Friday

Fine on the whole –

I had a headache and did not go out much to day –

April 22 – Saturday –

Showery – but fine on the whole

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – home to dinner at 6 ½ -

April 23. Sunday

Fine in the morning heavy rain all the afternoon

Sketty Hall

A.M. went to Church

P.M. Boz having bitten my finger I went into Swansea to see Dr Williams

April 24. Monday

Showery – cold with N.E.

Police Court qt 10 – went to church at 11 ½ to appoint Mayors

Churchwardens – Works in the afternoon

April 25. Tuesday

Fine – Wind – N.E.

Infirmary at 10 – Town Council meeting at 11 – Works in the afternoon –

April 26. Wednesday

Fine -

Police Court at 10 – Town Council meeting at 11 – Works in the afternoon

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April 27. Thursday

Fine –

Police Court at 10 – Dock office at 1 P.M – Works in the afternoon –

April 28. Friday

Wind N – Fine – rather cold

Sketty Hall

I went over to call on Arthur Jones after breakfast – about ¼ 1. I drove

Mary over to Llanelly – We dined with the Chambers & returned in the

evening –

April 29 – Saturday

Wind N – very Fine – cold –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Infirmary committee at Strouds office at 3½ P.M. – home to dinner –

April 30. Sunday

Fine – Wind N.E.

We went to church in the morning - & walked over to Sketty in the afternoon –

May 1. Monday

Wind N.E. – rather cloudy
P.M. Wind S.E.

Police Court at 10 – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon - came home with Bessie –

May 2. Tuesday

Fine – Eind. E

Sketty Hall

Infirmary at 10 – Committee meeting for the employment of the poor at 11 – Works the rest of the day – home to dinner at ½ past 6 –

May 3. Wednesday

Very fine – hot & bright –

Police Court at 10 – Paving meeting at 11 - Works the rest of the day –

May 4. Thursday

Very fine –

Police Court at 10 – Town Council Committee about watering the Streets at 11 – Works afterwards – in the evening I attended the meeting of the Lit^x & Scientific Soc^x –

May 5. Friday

Very fine

Police Court at 10. Watch & Ward committee at 11 – Works afterwards-

May 6. Saturday

Very fine – wind W – bright & hot –

Sketty Hall

Police Court at 10. Works afterwards – home about 1 P.M - & then drove Bessie in the Gig down to the Gower Inn where we put up the Horse and walked down to the rocks above 3 Cliffs bay - got back here about ¼ 6 –

May 7. Sunday

Very fine –

a.m. We went to Church –

P.M. Called at the Bryn & walked over to Penllergare & home to dinner at 6½ - Mary & Bessie went over to Ilfracombe in the Steamer with a party from the Bryn –

May 9. Tuesday

Very fine –

Sketty Hall

Infirmary at 10 – Finance & Market Committee at 11 – Works the rest of the day – Two men were stabbed to the heart last night at a cottage near the Marquis's Arms on the Penllergare road by some of a party of 5 Irishmen who are not yet taken –

May 10. Wednesday

Very fine – extremely hot –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – I went up at 1 PM to attend an inquest on the men who were murdered yesterday –

May 11. Thursday

Very hot – fine & bright –

Police Court at 10 – the 5 Irishmen were taken yesterday. Dock office at 1 – Works in the afternoon – In the evening about 8 I went in to the Police Court to take evidence of one of the Irishmen who wished to see a Magistrate – John met me there –

May 12. Friday

Very fine – hot & bright –

Sketty Hall

Police Court at 10 – Town Council Quarterly meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon – home to dinner –

May 13. Saturday

Very fine – hot & bright – it was not so sultry as yesterday however as there was a slight breeze

Police Court at 10 – remained there till about ½ past 1 P.M.& took the statement of 2 of the Irishmen charged with murder – I then went down to the works – came out to Parkwern about 8½ P.M.

May 14. Sunday

Very fine – bright –

Went to church in the morning- Walked with the children in the afternoon

May 15. Monday

Very fine – Moon with a halo [?haze] round it at night glass falling

Police Court at 9.a.m – I held it early as the Inquest was adjourned to the Police Court at 10 – at 10 I went to the Works – at 1 P.M. attended a committee at Pentre bridge as to a railway over the Corporation property

May 16. Tuesday

Cloudy – glass falling – 6P.M 29.55 – drizzling rain in the evening –

Sketty Hall

Infirmery at 10 – Petty Sessions at 12 – Works in the afternoon

May 17. Wednesday

Showery all day – mild & pleasant – Glass still falling

Police Court at 10 – works afterwards – Went to Parkwern in my way out –

May 18 – Thursday

Showery – cold – Glass falling –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards Dock office at 1 – Walked out with Bessie in the afternoon – Attended meeting of the Lit & scientific Soc^y in the evening –

May 19 – Friday

Heavy rain from S E nearly all day

Police Court at 10 – Town Council meeting at 11 – Works at 12½ - Council meeting at Institution at 2 P M – home to dinner

May 20. Saturday –

Fine – wind rather high W. Halo round the sun about 11½ a.m.

Went down to Bacon Hole with Mary & Bessie – returned to dinner –

May 21. Sunday

Misty rain in the morning

Fine the rest of the day

Sketty Hall

a.m. Walked in to church with Mary

P.M. Went over to Parkwern with Bessie & the children

May 22 – Monday

Very fine –

Police Court at 10 – Works the rest of the day – Public Meeting about watering the Streets in the evening

May 23. Tuesday

Very fine –

Parkwern

We came home today – at 11 am I drove in with Papa to the Petty Sessions – Works in the afternoon –

May 24. Wednesday

Very fine

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Walked out with Bessie in the afternoon went over to Sketty before dinner – I am going up with Mary & Bessie tomorrow to the Gwyn Arms for a day to shew them the lakes & c-

May 25 – Thursday

Very fine – bright & hot

Gwyn Arms (near Abercrave)

Mary, Bessie, & myself left Parkwern about ½ past 8 this morning and drove up here – We got here about ½ past 12 - & went out to see the neighbouring views &c. We met Mr W Powell who has built a new house near the road about a mile on the Swansea side of the Gwyn Arms – it is called Craig y Nos – he asked us to stay there with him but as I had just arranged things at the Gwyn Arms & c & ordered ponies to go up to the Lakes tomorrow we declined his invitation – but went with him to see his house – it is a very handsome one something in the style of one of the Rhine castles – it was designed by Wyatt – it is beautifully situated over the river & commands a View of the Gyhirach &c – from Craig y Nos we returned to the Gwyn Arms – in the evening we took a pleasant walk along the Brecon road which runs between Kefn y Cal & Y fan gehirach. We afterwards received a note from Mrs Powell asking us to dine & sleep at Craig y Nos tomorrow which invitation we accepted –

May 26. Friday

Very fine, except a heavy shower which lasted from about an hour & a half in the afternoon about 2½ o'clock

Craig y Nos –

We started for the lakes this morning about ½ past 8 o'clock – Mary & Bessie rode & I walked – We got to Llyn yr fan fawr a little after 11 - & to the Llyn yr fan fach about 12½. We remained there about an hour & a half & then started homewards – A Heavy shower which lasted till we got to the Llyn fawr wetted us all through – afterwards however it cleared up &

was a fine evening – we got to the Gwyn Arms about 5 - & then put up our things & drove here –

May 27 – Saturday

Very fine & hot in the morning

Thunder storms & some heavy rain in the afternoon

Parkwern

I walked upon the hill above Craig y Nos before breakfast & after breakfast we went up to a cave in the Limestone rock near the house - about 1.P.M. we started home & got here about 4 P.M – I then walked with Mary to Sketty Hall at ½ past 5 – We escaped the rain & thunderstorms as we came down the Valley but just after we arrived a Heavy shower came on –

May 28. Sunday

Very fine –

Parkwern

We walked into church in the morning and in the afternoon went with the children over to Sketty –

May 29. Monday

Very fine –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – I walked home with Bessie –

May 30 - Tuesday –

Fine - Wind N.W. sky rather overcast –

Infirmery at 10 – Petty Sessions at 11 – Works in the afternoon – Walked home with Bessie –

May 31 – Wednesday

Wind W – rain all morning about 3½ P.M. it cleared up & the rest of the evening was fine.

I went over to Sketty after breakfast – the rain was so heavy that I did not go into Swansea – in the afternoon, I went into the Garden with Bessie & the children

June 1. Thursday

Showery – cold – Wind W

Police Court at 10 – Annual meeting of Royal Institution at 12 Works in the afternoon –

June 2 – Friday

Very fine – still however unsettled glass low – Wind W –

Parkwern
Police Court at 10 – Watch & Ward Committee at 11 – Afterwards
attended Llangafelach Petty Sessions – Walked home by way of
Penllergare – Went over to Sketty after dinner –

June 3 – Saturday –

Showery in the Morning – fine after about 11 a.m. Wind – W –

Went down to 3 Cliffs Bay with Bessie about 12 o'clock – we got home to
dinner at 5½ -

June 4 – Sunday

8 a.m – fine – glass rising –

10. P.M Showery in the afternoon Wind W – rather high this evening

We went to Church in the morning – in the afternoon went over with
Bessie & the children to Sketty –

June 5. Monday

Fine except a few slight showers in the morning – Wind W. fresh –

Police Court at 10 – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon – got
home a little before dinner and went out with Bessie to take Harry a ride
upon the poney – The Sketty party went to Penllergare this afternoon on
their way to Tenby –

June 6 – Tuesday

Heavy showers in the morning fine the rest of the day –

Parkwern

Infirmery at 10 – Works afterwards – Dock office at 1 P.M – works again
in the afternoon –

June 7 – Wednesday

Occasional heavy showers – Wind W –

Police Court at 10 – Paving meeting at 11 – Works afterwards – about 3-
P.M. I went to an exhibition of Horsemanship to meet Bessie & the children
– Mr T E Thomas dine with us in the evening –

June 8 – Thursday

Showers in the morning fine the rest of the day –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Dock office at 1 PM. Finance
Committee of the Town council at 2-P.M – home to dinner – Meeting of the
Lit^y & scientific Society in the evening to which I drove in & Bessie
accompanied me & went to see Fanny when I was at the meeting – We
sent the gig home & walked out about 10 PM.

June 9. Friday

Threatening in the morning – Heavy rain all the afternoon – Wind S.E – high – about 7½ P.M. the Wind veered to W - & the rain ceased

Parkwern

Bessie walked into Swansea with me in the morning about 9 o'clock – she went to see Fanny who is poorly – I went first down to Mr Edwards's & then to the Police Court at 10 – at 11 I attended a Town Council monthly meeting which lasted till nearly 4 P.M I then came home – The Chambers's dined with us –

June 10 – Saturday

Fine – Wind N.W – glass rising

I went into the Works after breakfast – returned home about ½ past 2 P.M & took Minnie & Harry out with the poney –

June 11 – Sunday

Very fine –

I had a cold and did not go to church in the morning – in the afternoon I walked on the sands with Bessie and the children –

June 12. Monday –

Very fine – threatens for thunder this evening –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 where was kept till 2 P.M – I then went down to the Works and returned to dinner at 5 – In the evening I again went in to take the chair of an adjourned public meeting relative to watering the streets of the Town – Bessie walked with me & when I was at the meeting went up to Heathfield & afterwards to the Willows where I met her after the meeting & we walked out together -

June 13 – Tuesday

Showery in the morning early – fine the rest of the day – Wind W – high – cold –

Infirmity at 10 – on to Works Committee of Paving commissioners at Town Hall at 12 – I afterwards attended a Committee respecting the meeting of the British Association after which I went down to the Works – walked home with Bessie & Minnie –

June 14 – Wednesday

Raining in the forenoon fine in the afternoon – Wind SW high –

Parkwern

Works at 9½ a.m. Paving meeting at 11 - & works again afterwards - at 1 I went to the House of Correction to a quarterly meeting of the visiting justices - afterwards I came home & wrote letters till dinner time -

June 15 - Thursday

Dark & Stormy in the morning - fine the rest of the day till the evening when there was a heavy Thunder Storm accompanied by torrents or rain -

Police Court at 10 - Works afterwards - Dock office at 1. P.M - Works again in the afternoon -

June 16. Friday

Fine on the whole - rather unsettled in the morning

Police Court at 10 - Works afterwards - called on G. Mansel in the afternoon -

June 17 - Saturday

Heavy rain in the morning - it cleared up about 8 a.m. & was fine the rest of the day -

Walked over to Sketty after breakfast & then drove in to Swansea - Afterwards I went down to three cliffs bay with Bessie

June 13 - Sunday

Heavy rain in the morning - dark & misty rain the rest of the day - glass rising -

Parkwern

WE did not go to church on account of the weather - G Mansel called here in the afternoon & sat with us for some time - Bessie & I went over to Sketty afterwards -

June 19. Monday

Very fine - glass rising

Works at 6-am - home to breakfast - Police Court at 10 - works afterwards, home about 2½ P.M - took Harry for a ride to Black Pill -

June 20 - Tuesday

Fine -

Infirmery at 10 - Petty Sessions at 11 - took the Chair at a Bible Soc^{ys} meeting at 12 - Works afterwards - Walked out with Bessie -

June 21 - Wednesday -

Very fine -

We went down to 3 cliffs bay - I walked down & Minnie rode the poney - Bessie went down with Miss Southern & the 2 other children in the carriage which we put up at the Gower Inn -

June 22. Thursday

Fine -

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 - Works afterwards - Dock office at 1.P.M - Works again in the afternoon - came home with Bessie in the carriage - We had a party to dinner viz. Mr & Mrs Wilmot the 2 Mansells Benson & T.E.Thomas -

June 23. Friday -

Rain nearly the whole day

Police court at 10 - Watch & Ward and Town Hall improvement committees at 11 - Works in the afternoon - commenced cutting my hay to day -

June 24 - Saturday

Rainy & Stormy - Wind very high S.W. -

I went in to Swansea after breakfast - and attended at the Police Court - I afterwards went down to the Works - got home about 2½ PM G Mansel called upon us & sat here for some time - I afterwards went in the Garden with Bessie -

June 25 Sunday

Fine - Wind. W

Parkwern

We went into Church in the morning - in the afternoon I went with Bessie to call at Gabalva & the Bryn -

June 26. Monday

Fine in the day - Heavy wetting rain set in about 5 P.M.

Police Court at 10 - Works afterwards - We dines at R.Mansells & afterwards Bessie & I went with Miss Southern & Minnie to see Mr Buck a conjurer perform at the Theatre -

June 27. Tuesday

Rainy nearly all day -

Wind W. -

I breakfasted at Glanmor with Mr Thomas & then accompanied him to Neath to the Quarter Sessions - We returned about 2½ -p.m - at Swansea

I went to the works, & to call on Mr John Philipps of York who came to Swansea yesterday – he was not in

June 28. Wednesday

Showery but fine on the whole – wind high – W –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10. Works afterwards

June 29. Thursday –

Heavy rain early in the morning – fine the rest of the day

Wind very high in the morning – W –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Dock office at 1 P.M – works again in the afternoon – Attended the meeting of the Literary & Scientific Society in the evening – Bessie went with me to Swansea & spent the evening at Heathfield –

June 30. Friday

Rain in the night – fine in the day – Wind W-

Police Court at 10 – Police Committee at 11 – Works the rest of the day- J.Philipps (of York) Grove & Moggridge dined with us in the evening –

July 1. Saturday –

Showery – wind veered from W gradually up to N –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – got home about 12½ - in the afternoon I walked on the sands with Bessie –

July 2. Sunday

Fine in the day – Wind W – Showers in the evening

Parkwern

am – We went to Church –

P.M. Went with Minnie & Amy over to Sketty Harry had a swelled face and could not go out – Bessie & I dined at Glanmor in the evening - & met there H.Thomas & Benson –

July 3. Monday

Misty rain nearly all day –

Police Court at 10 – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon – home to dinner at 5½ P.M. –

July 4. Tuesday

Showery in the morning, fine the rest of the day –

Infirmery at 10 – I afterwards went to the Cricket field to see the commencement of a match between the Swansea & Neath Clubs – at 8 P.M – I attended a meeting of the Financial Committee of the British Association – I afterwards went down to the works –

July 5. Wednesday

Very fine –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Paving meeting at 11 – Attended a Sub committee respecting the British Association afterwards – Works in the afternoon – Walked with Bessie on the sands in the evening –

July 6. Thursday

Very fine –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards Dock office at 1 – Royal Institution on a committee as to the British Association in the afternoon – My Hay was carried to day –

July 7. Friday

Fine in the morning – Heavy showers in the afternoon – Wind S.W – high –

Police Court at 10- Police committee at 11 - - General Annual meeting of the subsidiary to the Infirmery at 12 – Works in the afternoon – home to dinner at 6 – Mary came home from Tenby by Steamer yesterday & Papa will return tomorrow –

July 8. Saturday

Rainy all morning – fine the rest of the day – Wind W. high –

Parkwern

Went into Swansea to the works after breakfast – got back about 1 PM and worked in the Garden with Bessie in the afternoon – After dinner Bessie & I went over to Sketty –

July 9. Sunday

Heavy rain all the morning – Wind W. high – in the afternoon it cleared up a little –

Remained at home in the morning – in the afternoon I went over to Sketty

July 10. Monday

Very fine – Wind N. Glass getting up rapidly

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Dock office at 1 – works again in the afternoon - -

July 11. Tuesday

Very fine – hot & bright glass rising

Infirmery at 10. Town Hall at finance Committee at 11 – went down to the Poorhouse about 1 – to meet J D Llewelyn – afterwards went down to the Works & in the afternoon went round the lower part of the town with the Town Surveyor respecting repairs & c of certain Streets –

July 12. Wednesday

8 a.m – very fine Bar^r 30.34 10½ P.M. it as continued very fine allay – very hot –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10. Works afterwards – We dined at Sketty in the evening –

July 13. Thursday

Very fine – hot & bright –

Police Court at 10 – works afterwards – Dock office at 1. Works again in the afternoon – in the evening I attended a meeting of the Lit^y & Scientific Soc^y – Bessie & the Children went down to the Mumbles & drank tea with Mrs Hewson –

July 14. Friday

Very fine –

Police Court at 10. Town Council monthly meeting at 11 – Works in the afternoon

July 15. Saturday

Fine -

Police Court at 10. Works afterwards – Dock office at 1 P.M – at 3 attended Town Hall improvement committee – Home to dinner

July 16. Sunday

Very fine –

Parkwern

We went to church in the morning & in the afternoon over to Sketty

July 17 – Monday

Very fine –

Police Court in the morning – Works afterwards – about 3 P.M I played at Cricket till dinner time –

July 18. Tuesday

Very fine – about 9 PM the wind changed to S.W. & large clouds gathered –
Glass falling fast – it has been gradually falling for some days

Infirmery at 10. Works the rest of the day –

July 19. Wednesday

Dark & threatening in the morning – Wind high – SW – Heavy rain in the
afternoon & evening –

About 11 am I drove Bessie down to the Gower Inn & we then started
down for the Bay – when we got to the Pennard Burrows however it came
on to rain so hard that we turned back & drove home, in the afternoon I
went over to Sketty – Before going to the Bay in the morning I tried and
agreed for a Horse of D..Williams –

July 20. Thursday –

Showery but fine on the whole

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards

July 21 Friday –

Heavy showers – Wind high

Police Court at 10 – did not get away till about 1½ - Works in the
afternoon –

July 22 – Saturday

Fine on the whole

I went into Swansea in the morning returned about 11 - & drove Bessie
down to the Gower Inn whence we went to 3 Cliffs bay – home to dinner
at 6 –

July 23. Sunday

Fine on the whole –

a.m. We went to church

P.M. we went over to Sketty –

July 24. Monday

Showery

Police at 10 – Works afterwards

July 25. Tuesday

Heavy rain in the morning – fine in the middle of the day – rain again
about 7½ P.M. –

Infirmery at 10 – Works afterwards – local committee of British association in the afternoon –

July 26. Wednesday

Heavy rain in the morning
fine in the afternoon but still showery

Parkwern
Police Court at 10 a.m – Works afterwards – Benson dined with us & Mr Philipps of York came to us to stay for a few days

July 27. Thursday

Rather showery – fine on the whole

Police Court in the morning Works afterwards. Dock office at 1.

July 28. Friday

Fine

Police Court at 10 – Watch & Ward Committee at 11 – Works afterwards – Meeting respecting providing immediate floating Accommodation at 1 P.M.

July 29. Saturday

Very fine –

Police Court at 10 a.m. – Works afterwards – came home about 2 P.M, & went with Bessie over Clyne Common. She rode upon the poney & I walked –

July 30. Sunday

Threatening in the morning heavy rain all the evening

Parkwern
We went to church in the morning afterwards I went with J Philipps to call upon Dr Percy who is staying in Swansea preparing a lecture on Metallurgy for the British Association – He walked out & dined with us in the evening –

July 31. Monday

Showery – Glass still falling

Mr Philipps left us to day for Penllergare he walked in with me to Swansea after breakfast - attended the Police Court at 10 - & went to to [sic] the Works afterwards –

August 1. Tuesday

Showery

Infirmery at 10.a.m. Works afterwards – called at Singleton in the afternoon – Walked over to Sketty with Bessie after dinner

August 2 – Wednesday

Fine except a few slight showers –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10.a.m – Works afterwards – I played at Cricket in the afternoon – dined with Benson at 6 – At 7 I joined Bessie & Miss Southern at the Theatre to hear Macready act in Werner

August 3. Thursday

Fine –

Police Court at 10 – Works at 12 – home to dinner at 6 –

August 4. Friday

Fine – Glass falling – rain at night

Police Court at 10 – Watch & Ward Committee at 11 – Works afterwards – we dined at Sketty in the evening to meet J Phillip Dr Percy & Mr Bowerbank –²

August 5. Saturday –

Very stormy – Wind high with heavy showers –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards at 3 P.M. I drove over to Penllergare in the dog cart to call on Col. Beach Mary came with [sic] – Bessie had gone over in the Sketty carriage & returned with me –

August 6. Sunday

² BOWERBANK, JAMES SCOTT (1797—1877), English naturalist and palaeontologist, was born in Bishopsgate, London, on the 14th of July 1797, and succeeded in conjunction with his brother to his father's distillery, in which he was actively engaged until 1847. In early years astronomy and natural history, especially botany, engaged much of his attention; he became an enthusiastic worker at the microscope, studying the structure of shells, corals, moss-agates, flints, &c., and he also formed an extensive collection of fossils. The organic remains of the London Clay attracted particular attention, and about the year 1836 he and six other workers founded "The London Clay Club"—the members comprising Dr Bowerbank, Frederick E. Edwards (1799—1875), author of *The Eocene Mollusca* (*Palaeontograph. Soc.*), Searles V. Wood, John Morris, Alfred White (zoologist), N. T. Wetherell, surgeon of Highgate (1800—1875), and James de Cane Sowerby. In 1840 Bowerbank published *A History of the Fossil Fruits and Seeds of the London Clay*, and two years later he was elected F.R.S. In 1847 he suggested the establishment of a society for the publication of undescribed British Fossils, and thus originated the Palaeontographical Society. From 1844 until 1864 he did much to encourage a love of natural science by being" at home "every Monday evening at his residence in Park Street, Islington, and afterwards in Highbury Grove, where the treasures of his museum, his 4microscopes, and his personal assistance were at the service of every earnest student. In the study of sponges he became specially interested, and he was author of *A Monograph of the British Spongiadae* in 4 vols., published by the Ray Society, 1864—1882. He retired in 1864 to St Leonards, where he died on the 8th of March 1877. [Information from a web site]

Showery –

Parkwern

We did not go to church on acc^t of the weather – I went over to Sketty with Minnie in the afternoon –

August 7 – Monday

Heavy Showers in the morning fine the rest of the day –

Police Court at 10 – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works the rest of the day

August 8. Tuesday

Heavy showers in the morning – it cleared up however about 10 & the rest of the day was fine and bright – Wind W.

Infirmery at 10, a.m Works afterwards – about 4 P.M. I drove down to the Mumbles to meet DelaBeche who was to come by one of the Steamers – He did not come by the early one which arrived about ½ past 5 – I waited however for the County of Pembroke which got in about 9 – PM – and by which he came – we got home about 10 o clock when we got our dinner –

August 9. Wednesday

Very heavy storms during the day about 3 P.M – it cleared up & the evening was fine –

Parkwern

I drove DelaBeche in to Swansea about 10. this morning – I went down to the Works and at 1 P.M. I attended the General Committee of the British Association – We dined at the ordinary at 5. & at 8 attended the General meeting to hear the President (the Marquis of Northampton) read his address – Forbes came back with us –

August 10 – Thursday

Showery

I went into Swansea with Forbes after breakfast – Attended sections of British Association and went to the Works in the day – dined at the ordinary at 5 – and afterwards went to hear Dr Percy lecture on Metallurgy – Playfair came to us this evening –³

August 11. Friday

Unsettled – heavy rain inn the afternoon

Parkwern

³ Sir Lyon Playfair, 1st Baron Playfair. (1819-1898) Scottish scientist. Professor of Chemistry at Edinburgh 1858-68. Liberal MP from 1868.

Attended sections in this day – dined at the ordinary in the evening – Dr Mantell came to us in the evening – he remained at home with me and the rest of the party went down to Singleton –

August 12 – Saturday

Fine –

It was the excursion day of the British association to day⁴ – I however was busy at the Works &c the greater part of the day – We dined at Sketty in the evening & afterwards went to a promenade –

August 13 – Sunday

a.m. Showery – heavy rain in the afternoon

We went to church in the morning to hear the Bishop of St Davids preach – in the evening I had a party to dine here they were those in the house viz- DeleBeche E Forbes, Drs Mantell & Lyon Playfair – and Capt^a Ibbotson D^r Percy – Professor Rogers (of America) & Mr Enys , Oldham & Ramsey

August 14. Monday

Unsettled & rainy in the day – heavy rain in the evening –

Parkwern

Attended sections &c – in the day – dined with the Red Lion Club in the evening & went to a concert afterwards

August 15 – Tuesday

Unsettled & rainy again –

Busy the greater part of the day at the Reception room – in the evening I gave a dinner at the assembly rooms (as Mayor) to about 112 – members of the association and others – We afterwards went to a Promenade at the National School rooms –

August 16 – Wednesday

fine with the exception of a heavy Thunder storm in the middle of the day-

I had a headache in the morning and did not go out – in the afternoon at 3 – I attended the concluding general meeting of the British Association at the Trinity Chapel – We dined at Sketty in the evening and then went to a Ball – We got back about 4½ a.m. –

August 17 – Thursday –

Heavy rain in the morning – fine in the afternoon

Parkwern

⁴ This included a visit to Penllergare where John Dillwyn Llewelyn demonstrated his electric boat.

I was busy in Swansea at the Police office & works all day – at 6 P.M. I took the chair at a dinner given by the Inhabitants of Swansea to Mr W R Grove – I got home about 11½ PM. Bessie DelaBeche and Forbes dined at Woodlands to meet Dr Meijer –

August 18. Friday
Showery

I drove DelaBeche into Swansea in the morning & he went to the Fuel Works &c – I went first to the Police Court & then to the Works – In the evening we dined at Sketty –

August 19. Saturday
heavy rain in he morning fine the rest of the day

Police Court at 10 – then went to see Mr Edwards who came home yesterday, & afterwards on to the Works which in the afternoon I shewed to John with Col & Mrs Yorke & Mrs Bentham who are staying at Penllergare –

August 20. Sunday
Fine – threatening at night – Wind W –

Parkwern
Walked with Mary in to church in the morning – Went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

August 21. Monday
Very heavy rain in the night & early in the morning – Wind Very high –
The rain ceased about 7 a.m. –

I drove DelaBeche who left us today in to the Bristol mail this morning about 5½ oclock – I returned to breakfast – Went in again at 10 to the Police Court - & after that went down to the Works –

August 22 – Tuesday
Heavy showers in the morning, fine the rest of the day –

I went over to Sketty before breakfast – afterwards to the Infirmary at 10 – Petty Sessions at 11 to 2-PM – Works the rest of the day –

August 23. Wednesday
Slight showers but fine on the whole –

I drove Bessie into Swansea in the gig after breakfast - & went to the Police Court & Works – we returned about 12 oclock & I went down to the cricket field & played a match –

August 24. Thursday

Fine – rain came on after dark – the glass however is getting up –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – at 2 P.M. I attended a committee respecting providing floating accommodation for the Harbour – took the children to see the Museum afterwards – Went over to Sketty with Bessie before dinner –

August 25. Friday

Rain early - & again in the evening – Gloomy in the day but the rain held off –

Police Court at 10, Town Council meeting at 11 – Works the rest of the day – We dined at Sketty

August –26 – Saturday

Rain nearly all day Warm & close

Police Court at 10 – Works the rest of the day – I am going up to London tomorrow respecting a large order for Ware from Chile from Mr Murrietta [?] – I got home to dinner at 6 P.M.

August 27. Sunday

Rain in the morning tolerably fine in the afternoon

Bristol

Came up here by Mail, arrived about 5½ p.m. – came to the Great Western Hotel & after dinner went up to see the Calvert Jones' who are staying here –

August 28. Monday

Rainy in the morning – unsettled the rest of the day – close & hot

London

Came up by express train from Bristol this morning left at 8h.10m - & arrived at 11 – Went at once to see Mr Murrieta – called on Arroyare [?] & executed commissions –

August 29. Thursday

Unsettled & showery –

Went in the morning with Reeks to see the New Museum of Practical Geology – afterwards executed commissions &c – in the evening I went to the Haymarket Theatre –

August 30. Wednesday

Fine –

London

Went in the morning with Reeks to the exhibition of Pictures (the Royal Institution) in Pall Mall – Afterwards went to Notting Hill to see Rosie – returned about 1½ PM and called on Mrs G Craig & Dr Buckland – the rest of the evening I looked at carriages, did some shopping &c –

August 31. Thursday

Fine in the morning – A violent Thunder Storm came on about 6 PM. & lasted till about 9 P.M. I have since learnt that this Thunder storm was observed in S Wales about 11 a.m. at Staffordshire about 2 P.M. in London we had it about 6 P.M. to 9 and off Yarmouth it came on about 9 PM.

After breakfast I went down to the City to see Mr Murrieta – I came back afterwards and went with Henry to look for carriages – I at length fixed upon one which I purchased for 90 Guineas at Hadley & Cos – Long Acre – it is a Brougham & belonged to Lord Fitzgerald for whom it was built about 3 months ago by Hadley at whose shop I purchased it –

September 1. Friday

Fine –

Stafford –

This morning I went to Pay for the Carriage &c & Henry returned home with it – in the evening Reeks dined with me at the Trafalgar Hotel and I afterwards came up here by train & arrived about 2 o'clock in the morning

September 2 – Saturday

Fine –

I went to Stoke by train this morning & then on to Newcastle whence I took a gig & drove to Golden Hill where I saw Mrs Williamson who accompanied me to Burslem &c – in the course of the day I went over to Allcocks Pottery – Williamsons Flint Mill, Iron Works, & colour works – in the evening I dined at his Fathers House about 6 miles distant on the borders of Cheshire – after dinner I came to Sandbach where I joined the train & came on here –

September 3 – Sunday

Fine – bright & clear

Gloucester –

I left Stafford this morning about 9 o'clock by the train – between Wolverhampton and Birmingham We passed the place where an accident happened last night – the Liverpool express train to Birmingham by which I intended to come last night but that Mr Williamson pressed me to stay and dine with him, ran off the line and almost immediately afterwards another engine came up & run right into the carriages which were lying across the line – Several people were much hurt but none killed on the spot – when we passed our train stopped a few minutes – the two engines were lying one on each side of the line and appeared to be

broken to pieces and the carriages sadly knocked about – the rail was torn up and the whole scene bore the marks of a tremendous concussion having taken place

Sept^r 3. Sunday
(on)

(on) Gloucester –

We arrived in Birmingham about ½ past 10 – about 2 P.M. I went up to see Dr Percy with whom I spent the afternoon and dined at 5 P.M. I came on here by train to proceed home by the mail in the morning –

Sept^r 4 – Monday
Very fine –

Parkwern

I left Gloster about ½ 2 a.m. and came down by mail – arrived about 1 P.M. – Went down to the works – Came here about 2½ P.M. dressed &c - & then walked over to Sketty with Bessie – dined at home

Sept^r 5. Tuesday
fine in the morning – occasional misty rain in the evening –

Infirmary at 1- - works afterwards. We dined at Sketty to meet the Jansons⁵ who are staying there –

Sept^r 6. Wednesday
dark & threatening –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – in the afternoon Mrs Janson came with LWD to see the works & Institution – I called at Glanmor on I.N.Thomas on my way home –

Sept^r 7. Thursday
dark & threatening all day – Wind S.W.

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Town Hall Committee at 11. Board of Guardians & Dock Office from 1 to 2½ p.m – works the rest of the afternoon – in the evening I attended a meeting of the Literary & Scientific Society – Bessie came into Swansea with [me] and went to see Fanny while I was at the meeting –

Sept^r 8. Friday
heavy rain nearly all day – it cleared up however about 4 P.M.

⁵ Mrs Janson was a sister of Lewis Weston Dillwyn. Amongst their descendants were Msgr Ronald Knox, Dillwyn Knox and Penelope Fitzgerald.

Police Court at 10 – Town Council meeting at 11 – Works about 2½ P.M.
home to dinner at 6 – Mr Motley⁶ dined with us -

Sept^r 9. Saturday

Dark and gloomy & unsettled in the day – heavy rain in the evening –

Police Court 1t 10 – Works the rest of the day – We dined at Sketty to
meet the Jansons who return to England on Monday

Sept^r 10. Sunday

Heavy ran all day – Wind W. about 5½ P.M. the Wind got up to the N.E.
& the weather cleared up

Parkwern

I went over to Sketty in the afternoon to see the Jansons who are going
tomorrow –

Sept^f 11. Monday

Police Court at 10. Works afterwards – returned home about 5½ - dined at
Sketty in the evening to meet Mr & Mrs StJohn who are staying there-

Sept^f 12. Tuesday

Infirmery at 10 – Petty Sessions at 11 – Went down to the Works about 12 –
about 2 P.M. I attended a meeting of the local committee of the British
Association for the purpose of settling accounts &c – Went down to the works
again about 3. and remained there till dinner time –

Sept^f 13. Wednesday

Very fine. Glass high

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – In the afternoon about 4 Bessie drove
in with Harry & I returned home with them & worked in the Garden till dinner
time

Sept^f 14. Thursday

Very fine

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Dock office at 1 – Works again in the
afternoon – home to dinner

Sept^f 15. Friday

Fine – there was some small drizzling rain about dark – it did not last long
however

⁶ James Motley, (d. 1859) co-author with Lewis Llewelyn Dillwyn of *Contributions towards the Natural History of Labuan, and the adjacent coasts of Borneo*. Pt 1 London, John van Voorst, 1855. Part 2 was never published. Motley was a mining engineer and member of the Botanical Society, London. Murdered by natives at Kempong, Borneo 1 May 1859. His herbarium is in Swansea Museum as is a copy of the book.

Police Court at 10 – Police committee at 11 – Works afterwards- Mary dined with us –

Sept^f 16 – Saturday
Very fine –

I went to the works soon after 9 – Police Court at 10 – got back to Parkwern about 11½ - & then drove Bessie down to the Mumbles where we met Mary and searched at low water mark from the Village down to the Lighthouse for Doris's &c – We returned home in time for dinner –

Sept^f 17 – Sunday
Very fine -

Parkwern
We went into church in the morning - & over to Sketty in the afternoon –

Sept^f 18. Monday
Very fine

Police Court at 10 – Works the rest of the day

Sept^f 19. Tuesday
Fine – Wind E. rather high –

Infirmery at 10 – Petty Sessions at 11 – Works in the afternoon – About 4 P.M I went down to the Institution to name a bird which I found to be a Honey Buzzard shot in Gower – Bessie met me there and I walked home with her –

Sept^f 20. Wednesday
Fine – dark & threatening about the middle of the day & a little rain fell –

Police Court at 10 – I was kept there till 1 P.M. I then went down to the works where I remained till dinner time – Minnie is laid up with a bad cold –

Sept^f 21. Thursday
Fine –

Parkwern
Police Court at 10 – at 11 I went down to the Board of Guardians – remained there about ½ an hour & then up to the Works – About 4 P.M – Bessie came down to the works & brought Amy with her – I walked home with them – Mary came after dinner & spent the evening with us – Minnie and Harry both laid up with colds –

Sept^f 22. Friday
Lowering & Gloomy – sultry – Large occasional drops of rain during the afternoon – Distant Thunder –

Police Court at 10 – Town Hall improvement Committee at 11 – in the afternoon I drove Bessie in the Gig over to Penllergare – I had a head ache in the evening –

Sept^f 23. Saturday –

Rain (nor heavy) in the morning – a good deal fell during the night – close and sultry all day –

Police Court at 10 – Works the rest of the day –

Sept^f 24 – Sunday

Fine – fresh & pleasant – there was a good deal of rain in the night –

Parkwern

We went to Church in the morning –

P.M. we went over to Sketty –

Sept^f 25. Monday

Heavy rain in the night – dark & gloomy in the day – but fine on the whole

Police Court at 10 – Works the rest of the day

Sept^f 26. Tuesday

Dark – wind E – high – spitting rain in the morning –

Infirmery at 10 – Went to Bensons on Harbour matters at 11 – Works the rest of the day till dinner time

Sept^f 27. Wednesday

Wind E. dark & gloomy

Police Court at 10 – Works the rest of the day

Sept^f 28. Thursday

Wind E – Dark P,M- wind NE & heavy rain –

Sept^x 29. Friday

Rain in the morning – gloomy and unsettled all day – wind N.E

Police Court at 10 – Town Council meeting at ½ past 11 – respecting the establishment of a fire Brigade – Works the rest of the day

Sept^x 30 – Saturday

Heavy rain the whole day

Parkwern

Police Court at 10.a.m. Petty Sessions for revising Jury lists at the Town Hall at 11 a.m. Works afterwards – Benson Bird & Stroud dined here in the evening –

October 1. Sunday

Rather Showery but tolerably fine on the whole

We went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

Oct^r 2. Monday

Heavy rain the greater part of the day

We went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

October 3 – Tuesday

Fine in the morning - rainy & stormy in the afternoon

I remained at home in the morning to write a lecture on Zoology which I am to deliver tomorrow evening – in the afternoon I drove Bessie into Swansea

Oct^r 4 – Wednesday

Rain nearly all day – mild – Wind SW.

Police Court at 10 – Institution arranging for lecture till 1 – then went to Dock Office & afterwards to Works – in the evening in again with Mary & Bessie & gave a lecture on Zoology

October 5. Thursday

Misty rain in the morning – fine in the afternoon –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Bessie came to the Works about 4 P.M. and I walked home with her –

Oct^r 6. Friday

Misty rain nearly all day – foggy – very mild – The Glass keeps up and has hardly moved at all for the last 10 days –

Police Court at 10 – Watch & Ward and Jury Committees at 11 – Works afterwards – I dined at Sketty to meet the J Trahernes – Bessie did not dine there as Harry was not very well & she did not like to leave him

October 7. Saturday

Slight showers but fine on the whole –

Police Court at 10 – Works the rest of the day –

October 8 – Sunday

Fine

We went to Church in the morning - & over to Sketty &c in the afternoon-

October 9 – Monday

Heavy rain in the morning
fine in the afternoon

Police Court at 10 – Town Hall at 12 – to revise Burgess list – Works at 2 –
home to dinner at 6 –

October 10. Tuesday

Fine –

Parkwern

Infirmery at 10 – Works afterwards – We had a dinner party this evening-

October 11. Wednesday

Fine –

Police Court at 10 Works in the afternoon – about 4 P.M I walked out with
Mr Kingscote who is staying with us for a couple of days –

Octr 12 – Thursday

Fine –

I drove Mr Kingscote who left us this morning into Swansea in the Dogcart
about ½ past 9 – attended the Police Court at 10 – Works at 12 – Dock
office at 1 P.M. – Works again in the afternoon – I walked out with Bessie
and Minnie –

Octr 13. Friday

Fine – Cold Wind NE –

Police Court at 10 – Town Council meeting at 11 – Went to the works
about 1 P.M – At 3 P.M I took the chair of a Public Meeting about the
Patent Fuel Smoke - & afterwards being appointed on committee
respecting it, went over the P. Fuel works – Works again afterwards and
home to dinner –

October 14 Saturday

Fine – Cold – Wind E.N.E –

Parkwern

Works at 9½ - Police Court at 10 – Went over to patent Fuel Works at
12½ with Dr Bird & there met Grenfell both of whom are with me on the
Committee respecting the nuisance – We there saw Mr Brocklebank one
of the Directors – I afterwards went down to the Works – home to dinner
at 6 – Mrs Ireland Jones dined with us –

October 15. Sunday

Fine – dark – Wind N.N.E-

Went to church with Bessie in the morning – in the afternoon walked on the sands and round by Sketty on the way home

October 16. Monday

Fine – Wind N.E.

Police Court at 10. meeting respecting Patent Fuel Smoke afterwards – Works in the afternoon – Henry Bruce came to stay

October 17. Tuesday

Fine – Wind N.E- very cold – frost at night

Parkwern

H. Bruce walked into Swansea with me in the morning about 9 o'clock – We first went to the Police Court & at 10 – to the Town Hall where the Quarter Sessions were announced [?] – After the Country Business was over about ½ past 1 P.M.I went to the Works – at 5 Went to the Town Hall to call for Mr Bruce & We then came home to dinner – We all went into a concert of Mr Templetons in the evening –

Octr 18 – Wednesday

Wind N.N.E – very cold & high – there was Snow in the forenoon – at Night there was a fine Aurora Borealis –

Walked in with H. Bruce after breakfast – I went to the Police Court & then to the works - at 2 o'clock I attended a meeting of the Dock Directors to confer with a Harbour trust committee – in the evening We dined at Sketty to meet Talbot –

Octr 19. Thursday

Fine – Cold – Wind N.E.

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Attended meeting of Board of Guardians afterwards as a case of Asiatic Cholera has occurred in Swansea (which I visited -) Works in the evening – Walked out with H Bruce – We all dined at Singleton –

Octr 20 – Friday

Fine – cold – Wind N.E – bright

Police Court at 10 – Watch & Ward Committee at 11 – Works afterwards – returned home about ½ past 4 & went over to Sketty before dinner –

Octr 21. Saturday

Fine all day – cold – clear & bright – Heavy rain set in at night –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – in the afternoon Bessie came to the Works with Minnie and Harry & I walked out with them

Octr 22. Sunday

Stormy & unsettled all day –

We did not go to church on account of the weather – in the afternoon we went over to Sketty –

Octr 23. Monday

Rainy & unsettled –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Meeting of Dock Shareholders at 12 – Works at 3.P.M
– home to dinner –

Octr 24. Tuesday

Heavy showers at intervals through the day

Infirmary at 10 – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works at ½ past 2 PM –

Octr 25. Wednesday

Rather stormy but fine on the whole –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards - about 3½ P.M I walked out with J.D.L and Minnie –I had a headache in the evening which quite laid me up

Octr 26. Thursday

Rather showery but fine on the whole –

Went to Dr Birds House on Harbour matters at 9½ - At 10 – went to Police Court – at 2 PM went up to see Grenfell at the Copper works – We dined at the Bryn -

Octr 27. Friday

Very Heavy rain in the morning unsettled all day – wind high W - & W.N.W-

Police Court at 10 – Watch & Ward committee at 11 – Works afterwards–

Octr 28. Saturday

Stormy Wind high – frequent heavy showers –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – home about 4½ - PM –

October 29 – Sunday

Fine & bright in the day – dark & threatening towards night –

a.m. We went to church

P.M. Went to Sketty with Bessie & the children, & after we had taken them home we went to call at Hill House –

October 30. Monday

Unsettled –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Public meeting in the evening –

Oct 31. Tuesday

fine a m. rainy PM

Infirmary at 10 – Works afterwards

Novr 1. Wednesday

Fine on the whole

Police Court & Trades Hall at 10 to 11 – Paving Meeting at 11 – Works in the afternoon –

November 2 – Thursday

Fine –

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – dined at St Helens in the evening –

November 3. Friday –

Fine with the exception of some slight showers –

Police Court at 10 – Committee of paving Commissioners at 11½ - Works afterwards –

November 4 Saturday

Fine – Cold –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards

November 5 – Sunday

Rainy a m – Fine P.M -

We went over to Sketty &c in the afternoon –

November 6 – Monday

Fine – cold

Police Court at 10 – Harbour meeting afterwards. Works in the afternoon – dined with Benson & attended a Public meeting at 7-P M respecting the Health of Towns Act –

November 7 - Tuesday

Fine – slight showers – cold Wind NW

Infirmery at 10 – Works afterwards

Novr 8. Wednesday

Fine – cold – Wind N.E –

Police Court at 10 – Dock office at 1½ - Works in the afternoon –

Novr 9. Thursday

Bright. Cold – Wind N.E –

Police Court at 10 – Town Council meeting at 12 – when I went out of office as Mayor – Works in the afternoon –

Novr 10. Friday

Very fine – frost in the night – cold wind NE

Police Court at 10. Watch & Ward Committee at 11 – Works in the afternoon

Novr 11. Saturday –

Fine – cold – wind E-

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea returned about 2½ P.M & went with Bessie & Minnie for a walk on Town Hill - -

Novr 12 – Sunday

Fine – Wind E.N.E – no frost glass rising –

We went to Church in the morning & over to Sketty with the children in the afternoon –

Novr 13. Monday

Very fine – bright & clear – Wind NE

Met Benson at his house in the morning at 10 on Harbour business – Went to the Works afterwards and in the afternoon came home & went in the garden &c – I dined at Singleton –

Novr 14. Tuesday

Fine –

Town Council meeting in the morning Works in the afternoon –

Novr 15 – Wednesday

Fine –

Meeting of the Dock Directors in the morning Works afterwards – Walked home with Minnie in the afternoon

Novr 16. Thursday

Dark – occasional small drizzling rain –

Parkwern

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards – Town Council meeting at 2 P.M. Works again in the afternoon – home to dinner at 5½ P.M. – at ½ to 8 I went in to the meeting of the Literary Society – Mr Bate read a paper on Palaolic [?] flora

Novr 17. Friday

Rainy –

Works in the morning & Police Court & Watch & Ward Committee – Harbour meeting at 12 when it was determined to float the Town reach of the river – I afterwards went down to the Works again –

November 18. Saturday

Unsettled but fine on the whole

Police Court at 10 – Works afterwards –

November 19. Sunday

Fine on the whole – Wind S.W.

We went to church in the morning and over to Sketty in the afternoon

Novr 20. Monday

Unsettled & rainy

Harbour committee at 11. Works in the afternoon –

Novr 21. Tuesday

Stormy –

Parkwern

Infirmery at 10. Petty sessions at 11. Works afterwards – went up to Hafod at 1. to see Vivian – in the afternoon I drove with Bessie in the Gig to Caswell

Novr 22 – Wednesday

Heavy rain nearly all day

I went out shooting over Penllergare

November 23. Thursday –

Very heavy rain about the middle of the day –

Works in the morning – Attended a Public meeting at 3 P.M (respecting floating the Town reach and purchase of Dock Act) –

November 24. Friday

Fine –

I had a cold & was not well & remained at home – in the afternoon I took Amy for a walk on the Sands –

Novr 25. Saturday

Heavy rain all day –

Went in to Swansea in the afternoon –

Novr 26. Sunday

tolerably fine in the morning – unsettled & showery in the afternoon –

a.m I remained at home not being very well Bessie & Minnie went into Church

P.M Went over to Sketty &c with Bessie & Minnie

November 27. Monday

Fine on the whole – a few slight showers in the afternoon –

Parkwern

Went out coursing with a party on Penllergare Common –

November 28. Tuesday

Rainy

Infirmary at 10 – Works afterwards

November 29. Wednesday

Rainy –

Harbour Committee at 10 am. Works afterwards – in the evening went with Bessie to dine at Llanelly with the Chambers – we got home about 12½ at night –

November 30. Thursday

Fine on the whole but threatening –

Went to Sketty after Breakfast - & afterwards into Swansea to the Works-
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Decr 1. Friday

Fine in the morning – Heavy rain all afternoon – Very cold – Wind S.W. high

I went out shooting

Decr 2. Saturday

Unsettled & stormy – Wind W

Went over to Sketty after breakfast to see Papa who is unwell – Went to Swansea afterwards – Came back in the afternoon it being Bessies Birthday –

Decr 3 – Sunday

Showery and unsettled –

Parkwern

Bessie has a cold & did not go to church - Miss Southern (who came back on Friday the 1st) went however with Minnie – I went over to Sketty-

Decr 4. Monday

Showery & unsettled – very heavy rain in the night –

I went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – attended a Harbour Meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon –

Decr 5. Tuesday

Showery –

Went into the Works after breakfast – returned home about ½ past 4 & went over to Sketty before dinner – Papa is much better –

Decr 6. Wednesday

Stormy – heavy rain at intervals –

Went out shooting at Ynisygerwn with Benson –

Decr 7. Thursday

tolerably fine in the morning heavy rain in the afternoon

Infirmery at 10 a.m – Works afterwards – Harbour committee at 12½ - from 2 to 5 at R Jenkins & Jeffreys office on Marys & I Thomas Trust business

December 8. Friday

Stormy – Heavy rain in the afternoon – Wind N.W.

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty after breakfast – Town Council meeting at 11½ - Works in the afternoon –

December 9. Saturday

Fine –

Went out shooting to Penllergare & round by Brynwillach &c –

Decr 10. Sunday

Very fine – Mild –

Thrushes in full song – and Bees out of the Hives –

I remained at home in the morning – Went over to Sketty in the afternoon

Decr 11. Monday

Rainy and unsettled – very heavy rain in the afternoon –

Police at 10 – Works in the afternoon

Decr 12 – Tuesday

Threatening but fine –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – attended Petty Sessions – Dock office at 1.P.M. – Works in the afternoon

Decr 13. Wednesday

Threatening – rain in the middle of the day – but not continued –

Went out shooting at Penllergare

Decr 14. Thursday

Heavy rain in the morning – tolerably fine in the afternoon

Parkwern

Infirmery at 10 – works afterwards – Dock office at 1 - & works again in the afternoon – I went over to Sketty before dinner –

Decr 15. Friday

Very strong & heavy rain in the morning – Fine in the afternoon

I went out Shooting in Clyne Wood with Hussey Vivian –

Decr 16. Saturday

Threatening and dark but no rain –

Works in the morning – went over to Sketty in the afternoon

Decr 17. Sunday

Fine – cold & clear

Went to Church in the morning – I walked with Mary & Minnie – Bessie went in the carriage with Miss Southern – in the afternoon we went over to Sketty

December 18. Monday

Fine in the morning cold – Wind S.E.

Heavy rain set in about 2 P.M which lasted all the evening –

I was busy at the works the greater part of the day with Glasson who has reengaged with me as traveller – Went over to Sketty before dinner

Decr 19. Tuesday

Fine on the whole –

Busy in Swansea at the Works &c – Went over to Penllergare in the afternoon –

Decr 20 – Wednesday

Fine – Dark, wind ENE.

Parkwern

Went out Shooting at Penllergare with H. Vivian –

Decr 21. Thursday

Fine, very cold – Thermr at 7½ a.m 28⁰

Infirmary at 10 – Works afterwards – Went over to Sketty before dinner –

Decr 22 – Friday

Fine – very cold all day – Wind E.N.E. Thermr 7½ a m – 82 –

Went out shooting at Park with H Vivian –

Decr 23. Saturday

Thermr 7½ a.m. 28 – cold all day. Wind E – Fine & clear in the forenoon – cloudy & threatening in the evening – looks like a fall – Glass however keeps up – Wind very high at night & sharp frost –

Police Court at 10 – Committee respecting Patent Fuel Smoke at 12 – works in the afternoon – Went over to Sketty before dinner –

Decr 24 – Sunday –

Thermr 7½ - a.m. 35. Wind E – very high & piercingly cold – Wind continued high & cold all day – Thaw all day – towards night the wind blew a gale from E.S.E – Threatening for rain

We went to Church in the morning – in the afternoon I went over to Sketty –

December 25. Monday

Heavy rain in the night & this morning – it cleared up a little in the afternoon – mild

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon with Bessie & Minnie –

December 26. Tuesday

Wind high – S. unsettled –

Works in the PM. then went over to Sketty –

December 27. Wednesday

a.m. fine very Mild – P.M. rain

Went out shooting –

December 28. Thursday

Very fine – Wind N.E – cold slight frost in the night

Went to Pyle with T.E.Thomas to attend Finance Committee –

December 29. Friday

Fine – Wind E – No frost

Town Council meeting at 11.a m – Works afterwards – went to Sketty before dinner

December 30. Saturday

Fine - cold – Wind E.N.E –

Police court at 10 a m – Committee at the Fuel Smoke at 12 – Works in the afternoon Sketty before dinner

December 31. Sunday

Fine – cold slight frost in the night – dark & gloomy in the afternoon – Wind E –

I remained at home in the morning – Bessie Minnie & Miss Southern went to church –

P.M. went with Bessie to Sketty & then Hill House

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Jany 1. Monday

Wind E- - cold freezing at night –

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty in the morning & then into Swansea – attended a Harbour meeting at 12 – Works afterwards Went to Sketty again before dinner – Bessie & I dined at Glanmor.

Jany – 2)
Tuesday)

Fine cold – Thermr 8 a m 27. Sharp frost all day but bright & fine

Went over to Penllergare & shot my way home – Johnny came with me & remains tonight here

Jany 3. Wednesday

Thermr 7½ a m 25 – very cold all day but bright & fine

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then on with Johnny to Penllergare for the Xmas tree – I afterwards went to Swansea & then to Sketty – home to dinner at 6½

Jany 4 – Thursday

Thermr 7½ a m 31 – driving rain set in about 9½ a m & in the middle of the day it became heavy rain which lasted with little intermission all day – Very cold - Wind N E. & E.

Sketty at 9½ -

Infirmary at 10 – Board of Guardians afterwards & then works – Went to Sketty again in the evening – Bessie spent the day there

Jany 5. Friday

Drizzling rain on and off all day – very cold – Thermr about 35° - WIND N.E –

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty after breakfast – Papa & Mama both very poorly – Went to the works about 11½ - Harbour Committee at 2½ P.M. Sketty again before dinner – DelaBeche & Rosie came here this evening by the Bristol Mail which did not arrive in Swansea till near 10 PM –

January 6 – Saturday

frost in the night – fine & bright all day – wind N.E & E –

Went over to Sketty & sat with Papa in the morning – Went to the Works in the afternoon

Jany 7 – Sunday

Rainy all day

I spent the day at Sketty

Jany 8. Monday

Unsettled –

Harbour meeting at 12 – Works afterwards – Spent the evening at Sketty-
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Jany 9. Tuesday
Unsettled

Went to Sketty in the morning – Swansea afterwards – Sketty again before
dinner – Kingscote & Benson dined with us –

Jany 10. Wednesday –
fine with the exception of Showers Wind high – W –

Parkwern
Went over to Sketty in the morning – afterwards drove with DeleBeche
over to Penllergare – shot with Johnny – home to dinner – over to Sketty
again after dinner -

Jany 11. Thursday
It blew a gale last night – Wind N.W. – very high all day – heavy showers
at intervals –

I went to Sketty after breakfast and then on to the Infirmary afterwards to
the Works – Board of Guardians &c from 1 to 2 – at 2 I met DeleBeche at
the Gass [*sic*] works which I went over with him – home to dinner – in the
evening I attended the anniversary meeting of the Lity & Science Socy –

Jany 12. Friday
Frosty & clear in the night – heavy rain all day –

Went over to Sketty after Breakfast & then into Swansea –

Jany 13. Saturday
Rain all day

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea –

Jany 14 – Sunday
Rainy in the morning – tolerably fine in the afternoon –

Spent the day at Sketty – Motley dined with us in the evening

January 15. Monday
Fine on the whole but unsettled

Parkwern

DeleBeche & Rosalie left us this morning by Gloster Mail – I went into Swansea attended a Harbour meeting & then went to the Works – went over to Sketty before dinner –

January 16. Tuesday

Rainy nearly all day – very mild. Wind S.W –

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then to the Works – home to dinner –
Went to Sketty again after dinner

January 17 Wednesday

Misty rain the greater part of the day –

Went to Sketty in the morning – Works afterwards – Sketty again in the evening –

January 18. Thursday

Unsettled – very mild –

Infirmity at 10 – then on to Works Dock office at 1-P.M & works again in the afternoon – Sketty after dinner –

January 19. Friday

Very mild – unsettled but not much rain –

Sketty after breakfast – then to Works – Council Royal Institution at 2 p.m
– Sketty after dinner –

January 20. Saturday

Showery but fine on the whole

Parkwern
I went out shooting at Gelly galled –

January 21. Sunday

Dark & unsettled – some heavy rain

I spent the morning at Sketty – took Minnie for a walk in the afternoon –
Went over to Sketty after dinner –

January 22 – Monday

Wind W – rather high – fresh & clear - -

Went with Harry over to Sketty after breakfast – afterwards I went to the Works – home to dinner

January 23 – Tuesday

Showery – but tolerably fine on the whole –

Went to Sketty after breakfast – Petty Sessions at 11 – Works in the afternoon

January 24 – Wednesday

Rainy and unsettled –

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then to the works –

January 25 – Thursday

Rainy nearly all day –

Infirmary at 10 – Works afterwards – Sketty before dinner –

January 26 Friday

Fine – cold & clear –

Went to Sketty after breakfast - & then to Works – In the evening I took the chair of a Public meeting respecting education in Wales –

January 27. Saturday –

No rain in the forenoon – heavy rain from S.E. in the afternoon

Parkwern

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then to the Works in the afternoon

January 28 – Sunday

Bright & fine but with occasional heavy hail storms – Wind W –

I went over to Sketty after breakfast with Harry & Amy – Bessie Miss Southern & Minnie went to Church – in the afternoon I went over to Sketty with Bessie & Minnie –

January 29 – Monday

Showery in the morning fine in the afternoon –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – Busy at the Works

January 30. Tuesday

Heavy rain all day - - Wind SE.

Went to Swansea after breakfast – Attended ½ Yearly Dock meeting at 12 – Went to the Works afterwards – Over to Sketty before dinner – We dined at Singleton to meet the Grants –

January 31. Wednesday

Fine –

I went out Shooting with Moggridge at Ynisygerwn

February 1. Thursday

Rain nearly all the whole day

Parkwern

Infirmery in the morning – on to the works afterwards – Went to Sketty before dinner –

Feb 2. Friday

Rainy & foggy all day –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast - & in the afternoon to the works –

Feb 3 – Saturday

Very Mild. Wind W – foggy & drizzling rain at intervals –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast – about 11½ I drive over to Penllergare & shot my way home –

Feb 4 – Sunday

Very fine - Mild – Wind S.W-

Spent the greater part of the day at Sketty –

Feb 5. Monday

Showery but fine on the whole – Misty & Mild

Went to Sketty after breakfast – to the Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon

February 6. Tuesday

Mist rain at intervals

Busy in Swansea & went over to Sketty

February 7 – Wednesday

fine –

Went out coursing on Penllergare common. Motley is with us today –

February 8. Thursday

Heavy rain in the morning fine in the afternoon –

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – in the evening I attended a meeting of the Lity Socy

February 9. Friday –

Fine but threatening –

Parkwern

Went into Swansea in the morning and then drove to Ynnis arran (firm of Norton Upperton & Stone) about 4 miles beyond Llanelly on some business of Mottleys – he dined with us – I did not get home till about ½ past 9 o'clock –

February 10 – Saturday

a.m. Misty rain –

PM. Fine –

Busy in Swansea in the morning – Went over to Sketty before dinner –

February 11 – Sunday

Slight frost last night – very fine all day –

I went over to Sketty with the children took a [sic] walk with Bessie &c – I am going to start for London tomorrow –

Feb 12. Monday

Fine on the whole – no rain – dark –

Slough

I left Swansea this morning by the Bristol Mail & arrived here about ½ past 9. P.M.

Feb 13. Tuesday

Thick cold fog & frost in the morning – fine but dull & dark in the afternoon –

London

I went to Eaton [sic] after breakfast & having got a day out for Johnny & E. Nicholl brought them up here – took them to see the Panorama of Mississippi &c – in the evening after dinner I took them back to Eaton & then returned here –

February 14. Wednesday

Fog in the morning – fine afterwards

London

Executed commissions - In the afternoon went with a deputation to the Treasury - in the evening went to a concert at Exeter Hall

February 15. Thursday

Fog in the morning – fine afterwards

Went into the city on business – in the evening went with Benson to Drury Lane.

February 16. Friday

Fine –

Executed commissions &c

Feby 17. Saturday

Fine –

Went with deputation to the Chancellor of the Exchequer – Walked with DeleBeche & c –

Feby 18 – Sunday

Fine but raw & cold –

a.m. Went to church

P.M. called on Motley - & afterwards remained at the Athenaeum –

Feby 19. Monday

Windy – dark & threatening –

Gloster

Executed commissions & c – met deputation at the H. Of Commons in the evening – dined at the Athenaeum & then came here by Mail train –

February 20. Tuesday

Rain in the forenoon – it cleared up in the evening –

Parkwern

I came down by the Gloster Mail today –

February 21. Wednesday

Fine in the morning – rain middle day – fine in the evening

Went into Swansea after breakfast –

February 22. Thursday

Went over to Sketty after breakfast and then to the Infirmary – Works at 11 – Dock office at 1 – Works again in the afternoon -

February 23 – Friday

Fine – rather cold –

Went to the opening of the adjourned $\frac{1}{4}$ Sessions at 10 a.m. – Works afterwards – over to Sketty before dinner

February 24 – Saturday

Fine but cold – Wind N.E. – Gulls in shore – Clouds gloomy & threatening-
Heavy rain at night –

Works in the morning – called on Fanny in the afternoon & went on to Sketty before dinner –

February 25 – Sunday

Heavy storms in the morning – fine in the afternoon –

We did not go to Church on account of the weather – in the afternoon I went with Bessie to Sketty -

February 26 Monday

Very fine

Parkwern

Went into Swansea in the morning & over to Sketty in the afternoon

February 27 Tuesday

Fine – cold –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea attended the Sheriffs ordinary at 3 P.M. Dr. Buckland came to us this evening – we had a party to dinner –

February 28 – Wednesday

Heavy rain & Snow all day – it cleared up in the evening –

Went in to Swansea with Dr. Buckland after breakfast – I attended on the Grand Jury all day –

March 1. Thursday

Fine – cold – Wind N.W.

Dr. Buckland left us today – I attended the Grand Jury – We were discharged about 2 P.M. & went down to the works –

March 2. Friday

Fine – wind W.N.W.

Went over to Sketty after breakfast - & then in to Swansea to the Works – We dined at Hill House

March 3. Saturday

Fine –

Busy at Swansea the greater part of the day – Went over to Sketty before dinner

March 4. Sunday

Misty rain in the morning – fine in the afternoon

Parkwern
a.m Remained at home
P.M – Went over to Sketty with Bessie & Minnie

March 5. Monday

a.m. Misty rain – P.M – Fine & bright –

Attended at the Town Hall on a Special Jury – Bad headache in the evening
– Kingscote & H. Thomas dined here –

March 6. Tuesday

a.m. thick fog – Fine in the afternoon – very mild –

Busy in Swansea – we had a dinner party in the evening –

March 7 – Wednesday –

Rainy in the morning – tolerably fine in the afternoon

Busy at the works the greater part of the day

March 8 – Thursday

Cold hail storms – fine in the intervals. Wind N.W.

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then to the Infirmary – on to the works –
attended meeting of Lity & Scient Socy in the evening –

March 9. Friday

Frost in the night fine in the morning – Heavy snow came on afterwards –
clear & cold at night

Went to Sketty after breakfast – then to the Town Council - & afterwards
to the Works – went to Sketty again before dinner –

March 10 Saturday –

Fine – cold –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast and then in to Swansea – Walked out
with Bessie in the afternoon

March 11- Sunday

Cold – dry – Wind W. threatening – small rain at night & mild –

Parkwern

Went to church in the morning – in the afternoon went with Bessie &
Minnie over to Sketty & afterwards I walked with Mary to Killay –

March 12. Monday

Fine – mild –

Attended a Harbour meeting at 12 – went down to the works in the afternoon – over to Sketty before dinner –

March 13. Tuesday

Very fine in the afternoon – misty rain in the morning – mild –

Went to Sketty in the morning - & to Swansea in the afternoon - - We dined at Glanmor

March 14. Wednesday

Very fine –

Went to Sketty after breakfast - & then into Swansea – We dined at Derwen fawr -

March 15 – Thursday

Very fine –

Sketty after breakfast – then on to the Infirmary & afterwards to the Works – In the evening I went to the Soirée of the Lity & Scient Socy – Bessie Mary & Minnie also went there –

March 16. Friday

Very fine – bright –

Went over to Sketty in the morning with Harry & Amy – at 1½ PM I went to the Works – I walked out with Bessie – the Horse piched [*sic*] & broke the carriage which Henry was bringing home – Miss Southern who was in it cut her face -

March 17. Saturday

Sea fog on and off – fine in the intervals

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty after breakfast – Walked into Swansea with Mary about 12 – returned about 3 P.M. and walked with Bessie –

March 18. Sunday

Fog in the morning which cleared off towards the afternoon – raw and cold –

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

March 19. Monday

Misty but fine in the whole – no rain

Works after breakfast – Sketty in the afternoon –

March 20. Tuesday
fine – but dark

Went into Swansea to the Works after breakfast - & over to Sketty in the afternoon –

March 21. Wednesday
Very fine –

Works in the morning – Paving meeting at 11 – House of Correction - quarterly meeting of visiting Magistrates at 2 – Went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

March 22. Thursday
Very fine –

Sketty after breakfast – Infirmary at 10 – Paving meeting at ½ past 10 - & on to Works – Sketty again before dinner – Lity & Scient Socy in the evening

March 23. Friday
Fine – dark & cold – Wind N.E.

Parkwern
Police Court at 10 – Works at 11 – hone at 4 P.M & went over to Sketty before dinner –

March 24 – Saturday
Fine – Wind N.E.

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then went to Swansea to meet H Griffiths at Attwoods office respecting Ynisforan farm & Colliery – from there I went to the Works – came home about 4½ P.M & went over to Sketty before dinner –

March 25. Sunday
Fine – Wind N.E. – cold –

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

March 26. Monday
Fine – cold – Wind E – glass falling much

Went to Swansea after breakfast – remained there the greater part of the day –

March 27 – Tuesday
Fine – Wind E – dark & cold –

Went to Sketty after breakfast then into Swansea – Petty Session at 11 –
Works in the afternoon

March 28. Wednesday

Wind E – dark & cold – glass very low wind high a m – calm PM – no rain

Paving meeting at 11 - & then to Works – Went to Sketty before dinner

March 29. Thursday

Occasional spitting rain fine on the whole rain at night wind S E & E –

Went to Pyle with Mr T.E.Thomas to a meeting of the Finance Committee
of the County –

March 30 Friday

Heavy rain the greater part of the day – it cleared up towards evening –
Wind SE.

Parkwern

Went to Sketty after breakfast – then to the Works –

March 31. Saturday –

Heavy rain in the morning – Heavy showers in the afternoon –

Went to Sketty in the morning & then in to Swansea to the works –

April 1 – Sunday

Very heavy showers – fine in the intervals –

Went to Sketty in the afternoon –

April 2. Monday

Showery – fine in the intervals –

Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon –

April 3. Tuesday –

8 a.m. fine – bright – Showery in the afternoon & hail storms

Walked on the sands before breakfast – after breakfast went over to
Sketty - & then into Swansea

April 4. Wednesday

Cold & high Wind – E – threatening – heavy rain from S.E – set in about
4½ P.M.

Went over to Sketty after breakfast – on to Swansea about 12 – home to
dinner

April 5. Thursday

Fine. Mild. bright –

Infirmary at 10 – Works at 11½ - Dock office at 1½ & Works again in the afternoon – came home about 4½ & went into the Garden with Bessie

April 6. Friday

Wind E. High – dark – rain at night

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – went to church (it being Good Friday) & afterwards went down to the Works –

April 7. Wednesday –

Rain in the night-very fine all day – mild & bright –

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – over to Sketty again after breakfast –

April 8. Sunday

Heavy rain in the night & early this morning – Very fine the rest of the day

a.m. Bessie & Miss Southern went into church & I remained at home with the children –

P.M Went over to Sketty with Bessie & Harry

April 9. Monday

Fine but cold black [?] East wind –

Went into Swansea after breakfast - & over to Sketty before dinner – in the evening I presided at a meeting at the Royal Institution for presenting a testimonial to Dr. Williams –

April 10. Tuesday

Cold. Wind E – dark

Went over to Sketty in the morning – in to the Works in the afternoon

April 11 – Wednesday –

Wind N E. rather cold – fine –

Walked with Harry on the Sands & to Sketty after breakfast – about 11½

Walked with Bessie into Swansea – returned about 3½ - in the Gig –

April 12. Thursday

A.M. Wind E – fine – P.M- wind SW – dark & threatening –

Parkwern

Infirmary at 10 – Works afterwards –

April 13. Friday

Fine. Wind N.W – cold – there was cold rain early in the morning – the Devonshire Hillside all covered with Snow –

Bessie & Minnie walked in to Swansea with me this morning – I attended a Town Council meeting at 11 - & afterwards went down to the works about 3 P.M I drove them out with me in the gig - & then took the children to Sketty –

April 14. Saturday

Hail Storms – fine in the intervals – cold

Went over to Sketty after breakfast - & then into the Works – attended a meeting of the visiting justices at the House of Correction at 1 P.M. & home afterwards -

April 15. Sunday

Very cold – Wind N E – high Dark –

Went into Church in the morning with Mary – over to Sketty in the afternoon –

April 16 – Monday

Fine – rather cold –

Stayed at home writing in the morning – went to the Works in the afternoon –

April 17 – Tuesday

Heavy Snow Storms at intervals through the day – cold – Thermr at 10½ P.M. 20° -

Went to Sketty after breakfast, Harbour Committee at 10½ - Works afterwards – Walked out with Kingscote who came to us –

April 18. Wednesday

Cold – Wind N.W – heavy rain in the evening –

Parkwern

Walked into Swansea with Kingscote after breakfast – I went down to the Works – about 4 P.M. Kingscote came down there for me & we walked along the sands till dinner time

April 19. Thursday

Heavy Snow in the morning – Wind N.E. very keen & cold – about ½ past 9 a m the snow cleared and the rest of the day was fine –

Infirmery at 10 – works afterwards – went over to Sketty before dinner –
Mr Kingscote left us to day –

April 20. Friday

Very cold – Wind N.E – snow remains all the hills about Margam, Neath
&c-

Works after breakfast – attended Council meeting of the Royal Institution
-P.M & then went over to Sketty before dinner –

April 21 Saturday

Rainy in the morning – dark & occasional dropping rain in the afternoon –
Wind S.E – mild –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then in to Swansea – Mary walked
in with me – we returned about ½ past 2 PM -

April 22 Sunday

Heavy occasional showers of rain – mild – Wind W

Bessie & Miss Southern went to church in the morning – I remained at
home – In the afternoon I went over to Sketty with Bessie

April 23. Monday

Fine – Wind N W –

Parkwern

Went to Swansea after breakfast – Miss Southern left us to day – I
returned home in the afternoon & walked in the garden with Bessie & the
Children went over to Sketty before dinner –

April 24 Tuesday

Fine in the morning – rainy in the afternoon –

Went over to Sketty with the 3 children in the morning, & into Swansea in
the afternoon – Bessie & Minnie came in the carriage & walked out with
me – Miss Vickerman came to us this evening –

April 25 – Wednesday

Fine –

I went up to Velindre in the Gig after breakfast – sent the gig home from
there & fished down the Llew & walked home along the common - -

April 26. Thursday

Very fine – Wind – W

Infirmery at 10 – then on to Works – Meeting of Subsrs of the Infirmery at 2 PM for election of Surgeon – went over to Sketty before dinner –

April 27. Friday

Showery in the morning – Heavy rain in the afternoon – it cleared up at night –

Parkwern

Went into Swansea after breakfast – met Mr Beor [?] respecting a Mortgage of Marys on the Hancornes property at Bishopstone – Went over to Sketty before dinner & again in the evening as Mama is very unwell –

April 28 – Saturday –

Showery, very fine in the intervals

Went to Sketty after breakfast & again before dinner – I did not go into Swansea in the day but remained at home to write a paper –

April 29 – Sunday

Fine –

Went over to Sketty after Breakfast with Harry & Amy & brought them home by the sands – at ½ past 10 walked with Minnie into church – Bessie & Miss Vickerman went in the carriage in the afternoon I took the 3 children over to Sketty –

April 30 – Monday

Fine – bright – wind S.E. very hot Sirocco –

Attended at the Police Court for the Mayor in the morning – Works afterwards – Went over to Sketty before dinner - & again in the evening –

May 1. Tuesday

Fine

Parkwern

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – Glasson came home yesterday & I was engaged with him a great part of the day – I walked home with Minnie in the evening.

May 2. Wednesday

Fine – dark & gloomy in the afternoon

Went to the Monthly Paving meeting at 12 about 3 went down to the Works – walked over to Sketty before dinner –

May 3- Thursday

Some rain fell in the night & early this morning p the country looks fresh & beautiful after it – fine in the day sultry & looked like Thunder – about ½ past 4 a Thunderstorm (not very violent) came on - & lasted about an hour –

Infirmery at 10 - & then on to the Works – went over to Sketty in the afternoon – In the evening I read a paper on the Geographical distribution of birds to the Literary & Scientific Society –

May 4. Friday

Very fine in the morning – very hot – in the afternoon there was a Thunder Storm & heavy rain –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – went out with Harry & Amy in the afternoon –

May 5. Saturday

Fine – very hot – Wind N.E-

Parkwern

Went to Sketty after breakfast - & then to the Works –

May 6. Sunday

Fine – Wind N.E. rather high

Went to Church in the morning & over to Sketty with the Children in the afternoon

May 7. Monday

Fine – Wind N.E. cold –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast – At 12 I attended a Harbour Meeting – Went down to the Works in the afternoon

May 8. Tuesday

Fine – Wind N E – cold

Went over to Sketty after breakfast – & into Swansea afterwards – in the afternoon I shewed the Works to Miss Vickerman & Harry & Minnie –

May 9 – Wednesday

Fine – Wind N.E. cold

Went over to Sketty with Bessie after breakfast & then into Swansea, in the afternoon I walked round by Penllergare to see Fanny on her Birthday

May 10. Thursday

Still cold but dry –

Infirmery at 10 – Works afterwards – Dock office at 1. Works again in the afternoon –

May 11. Friday

Dry & fine – but cold

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – Attended Town Council meeting at 12 - & afterwards wend down to the Works –

May 12. Saturday –

Fine – Cold – threatening for rain in the evening –

Went into Swansea after breakfast – laid up with a headache in the evening –

May 13. Sunday

Heavy rain in the night – showery all day – very mild – calm –

Remained at home in the morning – Went over to Sketty with the children in the afternoon –

May 14. Monday

Showery but fine on the whole –

Went into Swansea after breakfast – attended Harbour meeting at 12 – Went down to the Works afterwards –

May 15 – Tuesday

Very mild – Showery – heavy rain in the evening –

Went to Petty Sessions at 11 - & then to Works - & went over a Vessel with Mr Lidgett the owner – he walked out with me in the afternoon & dined with us --Mr R. Jenkins also came out in the afternoon respecting the repairs &c of Parkwern

May 16. Wednesday

Showery – mild & growing weather –

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – In the afternoon I came out and began to cut down some trees which Mr R Jenkins who has a power of Attorney from E Hickey (who had gone to India) gave me leave to cut –

May 17 – Thursday

Heavy showers at intervals – mild –

Went to the Infirmary at 10 - & then on to the Works – returned about 3 PM & went over to Sketty – We dined at Heathfield –

May 18 – Friday

Showery

Paving Meeting at 10 a.m. Works afterwards – Council Meeting of Royal Institution at 2 P.M –

May 19 – Saturday –

a.m. fine – P.M. rainy – mild

Went into Swansea after breakfast – in the afternoon went with Bessie & the children to Sketty where we dined & spent the evening –

May 20 – Sunday

Rainy the greater part of the day

Parkwern

Remained at home in the morning

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

May 21. Monday

Showery in the early morning but fine on the whole –

Went to meeting of Health of Towns commission in the morning – afterwards attended meeting of Harbour Committee – Works in the afternoon –

May 22 – Tuesday

Heavy rain in the night – fine in the day

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then in to the Works

May 23. Wednesday

Fine & bright –

Llwyn Madoc – near Builth –

left home at 8 a.m. & posted here by way of Llandilo and Llandovery – We arrived here about 6 P.M –

May 24. Thursday

dark & threatening – no rain –

I walked up to Abergwessin & fished down the Irwen [*sic – should be Irfon*] – Bessie went with H Thomas up the Irwen valley from Abergwessin

May 25. Friday

Very fine –

Llwyn Madoc

H. Thomas, Bessie & I went up to Llyn Canw crossing the Drugan Mountain – its name is derived from Druid Cairn – H.T & Bessie rode home round by Abergwessin & I walked fished my way home

May 26. Saturday

Rain nearly all day

I fished on the Camarch & H Thomas walked with me –

May 27. Sunday

Fine -

H. Thomas Bessie & I went on the Hill behind his house in the morning, and over to Llanwyrtd Wells in the afternoon –

May 28. Monday

Very fine –

Bessie went out with H.Thomas to Builth & I fished up- the Camarch – having backed myself to take 100 trout – I won the bet taking 102 – they weighed 15 pounds

May 29. Tuesday

Fine – over cast in the evening –

Carmarthen –

We left Llwyn Madoc about 11 a.m. & came to Llandovery in a fly – we there took the Mail & came on here – I had a bad headache

May 30. Wednesday

Overcast in the morning – rainy in the afternoon – mild – clear at night –

Parkwern

We came to Swansea by the mail from Carmarthen this morning & I went down to the Works – Bessie came with me & waited till I was ready – We walked out here about 1.PM –

May 31. Thursday

Fine – very close

Went to the Works after breakfast where I was engaged the greater part of the day. went over to Sketty before dinner –

June 1. Friday

Very fine – there was rain in the night

Attended Annual meeting of the Royal Institution at 12 – Works in the afternoon – home by way of Sketty

June 2 – Saturday
Very fine –

Parkwern
Went into Swansea after breakfast – returned about 2½ p.m & then drove Bessie down to the Mumbles where we have taken Mr Baths house (Rosehill) for 3 months while Parkwern is being painted and prepared – We called at Sketty in our way home

June 3. Sunday
Very fine & hot – bright –

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon

June 4. Monday
Very fine in the morning – Dark & threatening for Thunder in the afternoon, rain set in about 8 P.M – hot & sultry

Works after breakfast – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works again in the afternoon – out to Sketty before dinner.

June 5 – Tuesday
Rain in the forenoon – fine in the afternoon & evening –

Sketty Hall
Busy packing c in the morning Went into Swansea afterwards. We all came here for to night - & tomorrow we move down to Rose Hill – We were to have gone to day but the weather prevented us –

June 6. Wednesday
Very fine – hot & bright –

Rose Hill –
After breakfast I went into Swansea where I was engaged at the works till the afternoon – I then walked down here – Bessie & the children had come down before –

June 7. Thursday
Rainy in the morning – fine afterwards

Walked in to the Infirmary after breakfast & then on to the Works – got back here about ½ past 5.P.M –

June 8. Friday
Fine –

Walked to Sketty to breakfast & then in to Swansea – went first to the Works & then to a Town Council meeting – attended a meeting of the Council of the Royal Institution at 2 - & afterwards walked home here –

June 9. Saturday

Fine –

Went with Bessie in the gig to Sketty & Parkwern after breakfast & then on to Swansea – we returned about 2 PM & I took the children over to Limeslet [*sic*] Bay

June 10. Sunday

Fine, but very cold – wind N.E – high –

Rose Hill

We went to the Mumbles church this morning – In the afternoon I took the children for a walk on the Hill –

June 11. Monday

Fine – still cold –

Went to Parkwern & Swansea where I was busy all day

June 12. Tuesday

Fine –

Breakfasted at Sketty – then on to Parkwern & Swansea – Home to dinner at 6 –

June 13. Wednesday

Fine – A shower about 2½ P.M –

After breakfast went with Bessie to Sketty – She rode on to Penllergare with Mary & went into Swansea – I got back about 4 P.M - & took the children a walk upon the Beach –

June 14. Thursday

Very fine – overcast towards night –

Infirmary at 10 – Works at 11. Dock office at 1. Works again in the afternoon

June 15. Friday

Fine –

Bessie rode & I walked with her to Culver hole –

June 16 – Saturday

Fine bright – wind high North. hot sun –

Went with Bessie to Sketty in the gig after breakfast & then on to Swansea home about 5 P.M.

June 17. Sunday

Fine, Very bright, Wind high – North – cold at night

Rose Hill

We went to church in the morning – Walked with the children along the cliffs towards Langland Bay in the afternoon –

June 18. Monday

Very fine – cold in the night

Walked to Sketty to breakfast & then on to Swansea – attended a Harbour Committee at 10½ - afterwards went to the works –

June 19. Tuesday –

Heavy rain in the night and forenoon fine in the afternoon

I drove into Swansea (via Sketty) after breakfast & was busy at the Works till the afternoon – I then came out here with Mr Lidgett who then came with Bessie & myself to see the Castle – he dined with us in the evening –

June 20 Wednesday –

Very fine –

I walked up to Sketty to Breakfast & afterwards went into Swansea to the Works – at 1 P.M. I attended the meeting of Visiting Justices at the House of Correction – Works again afterwards & home to dinner –

June 21. Thursday

Misty rain in the morning – fine in the afternoon – very warm

Rose Hill

Infirmery at 10 – Works afterwards Dock Office at 1 PM & works again in the afternoon – home to dinner –

June 22. Friday

Very fine – hot & bright, but air fresh

After breakfast Bessie rode & I walked down to Pwll du & searched upon the Rocks at low water mark for Zoophytes &c We returned to an early dinner at ½ 4 & then went out in a boat with Miss Vickerman & the children –

June 23. Saturday

Misty in the morning & again late in the evening – fine in the interval –

I drove with Bessie in the gig to Sketty to breakfast & then we went on to Swansea – returned home about 4 P.M & walked with the children –

June 24. Sunday

Very fine – bright & hot

I hurt my knee yesterday evening & did not go out to day –

June 25. Monday

Slight Shower in the morning & late at evening fine all the rest of the day-

Attended a Committee of the Board of Guardians as to the Sanitary state of the Mumbles – in the afternoon rowed in a boat round Caswell to meet Bessie & the children & the Sketty party –

June 26. Tuesday

Fine –

Rose Hill

breakfasted at Sketty & then on to the Works home to dinner –

June 28. Thursday

Fine – Hot and bright –

Infirmery at 10 – Works the rest of the day – home to dinner –

June 29. Friday

rainy in the morning, fine the rest of the day but occasional threatening clouds – Wind N.W. –

Breakfasted at Sketty – Harbour Committee at 11½ - Works in the afternoon – in the evening I dined at the Grange (S. Davies') to meet the Bishop of St Davids-

June 30 – Saturday

Very fine –

Went with Bessie down to the rocks beyond Pwlldu – we drank tea & spent the evening with Mrs Hewson –

July 1. Sunday

fine in the day – rain in the evening – Wind W –

a.m. Went to church with Bessie Miss Vickerman & Minnie

P.M – We all walked to Llangland Bay.

July 2 Monday

Fine – some rain in the night –

Rose Hill

Breakfasted at Sketty - & then went to the Works – Harbour meeting at 12. Works again in the afternoon – home to dinner –

July 3 Tuesday

Rain in the morning & last night – wind high W – fine in the day

Breakfasted at Sketty – then on to the Works – Attended a meeting of Comm. Respecting Patent fuel Smoke at Attwoods office at 4 P.M. where I remained till $\frac{1}{4}$ to 7 –then walked home & got back here at 8 –

July 4. Wednesday

Fine –

Attended a Harbour committee at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 10 - & then went to the works – about $3\frac{1}{2}$ p m – went up to call at the Willows & Heathfield then walked home

July 5. Thursday

Very fine –

Infirmery at 1- a.m – Works at 12 – Dock office at 3.P.M. & then home to dinner at 6 –

July 6. Friday

Fine –

Rose Hill

breakfasted at Sketty – Went to the works afterwards – Infirmery annual meeting at 12 – Council meeting of Institution at 2.PM works again at 3 – home to dinner at 6 –

July 7 – Saturday

Fine – Misty rain set in about 7-p.m ---

Went down to Pwldu with Bessie –

July 8 Sunday

It rained a good deal in the night & this morning – Very fine all day – Wind S.W. rather high –

Went to church in the morning – Bessie & I stayed Sacrament – in the P.M I took the children to Langland Bay

July 9. Monday

Very fine – hot & bright – fresh air –

breakfasted at Sketty & on to Swansea busy at Works all day – home to dinner –

July 10. Tuesday

Very fine – bright – the hottest & most scorching day we have had this year – about 10 PM. I observed a splendid Meteor pass across the Sky from W to E – nearly due N. from hence – it disappeared when it had passed about $\frac{1}{2}$ across the Horizon –

I went into Swansea in the morning – called at the House of Correction in my way as the Cholera has broken out there – busy at the works the rest of the day – home to dinner at 6 – Walked with Bessie & the Children on the Hill in the evening –

July 11 – Wednesday

Very Hot –

Rose Hill

Went to Swansea – busy at Works all day – We dined at Sketty –

July 12 – Thursday

Very hot –

Infirmary at 10 a m. then on to the Works – We dined at Heathfield & Bessie rode & I walked home afterwards –

July 13. Friday

Very hot – in the morning the wind was fresh E – it fell nearly calm about midday –

Town Council meeting at 11 – Works afterwards – I dined at Sketty & Harry & Amy had tea there – Bessie Miss Vickerman & Minnie went to a Picnic at Caswell

July 14 – Saturday

Very hot – bright –

Went with Bessie to Pwll du –

July 15. Sunday

overcast at intervals – wind E.S.E – hot & parching –

I had a cold did not go to church – walked with the children & c

July 16. Monday

Very fine –

breakfasted at Sketty – Works the rest of the day - - home to dinner

July 17. Tuesday

Rain in the night & this morning – fine in the afternoon

Drive with Bessie in the gig to Parkwern after breakfast & then on to Swansea – Petty Sessions at 11 – Works afterwards – 4 P.M. Mr Kingscote walked out with me & dined with us –

July 18. Wednesday

Heavy storms in the forenoon – fine in the afternoon – Wind high – there was some Thunder –

Rose Hill

Went up with Bessie to Breakfast at Sketty – I afterwards went on to Swansea – Kingscote walked out with me & dined here –

July 19. Thursday

Wind very high – one or two heavy showers – fine the rest of the day –

Infirmary at 10 – works the rest of the day home to dinner –

July 20. Friday

Fine – wind fresh – cool –

breakfasted at Sketty & on to Swansea afterwards – busy at works –

July 21. Saturday –

Wind W – overcast & a little rain in the morning – fine the rest of the day-

Went down with Mary & Bessie to Oxwich point to search the sea pools at low water for Zoophytes & c –

July 22 – Sunday

fine – threatening rain in the afternoon & evening

a.m. Went to church P.M. walked with Bessie Miss V. & the children along the rocks –

July 23 – Monday

Heavy rain in the night & early morning it cleared up about 8 & was fine with the exception of 2 heavy showers the rest of the day

Breakfasted at Sketty – went to the Works afterwards – Home to dinner at 6.

July 24. Tuesday

Heavy rain in the night & this morning fine in the day

Rose Hill

Works till 3 - & then attended at Attwoods office a meeting of the Visiting Justices of the House of Correction respecting the Cholera which

continues there – several prisoners having died of it – it has also broke out in the Town

July 25. Wednesday

rain in the morning & night fine the rest of the day

Breakfasted at Sketty – Works the rest of the day

July 26 – Thursday

Some rain in the morning & fine the rest of the day with the exception of a shower in the afternoon –

Infirmery at 10 – Works afterwards – about 2½ P.M – I came out with Benson & with him & Iltid Thomas searched the Quarry under the Castle for fossils – they dined with me afterwards –

July 27. Friday

Fine –

Breakfasted at Sketty – Works the rest of the day till 4 p.m. when I attended a committee appointed to look after the sanitary state of a part of the upper part of the Town – home to dinner

July 28. Saturday

Overcast and threatening in the morning but no rain – Wind W high – Heavy rain set in about ¼ 2 P.M. & continued with little intermission all the afternoon -

Rose Hill

I went in to the works after breakfast – got back about 3 P.M. & remained at home the rest of the afternoon –

July 29. Sunday

Heavy rain in the night, fine in the day with the exception of some heavy showers

We went to church in the morning & in the afternoon we all went to Langland Bay –

July 30. Monday

Very heavy storms of rain in the night – fine in the day – except some showers

Breakfasted at Sketty – attended a meeting of board of Health at 11 – Cholera is spreading several deaths this morning – at 2 P.M went to the Works – home to dinner –

July 31. Tuesday

fine –

Board of Health in the morning – Works in the afternoon – We dined at the Hill House – The Cholera continues – today the return was 14 new cases – 7 deaths

August 1. Wednesday

Very fine -

Rose Hill

Bessie & I went up to Sketty to breakfast & then on to Swansea – I went to the Board of Health first & works afterwards – We came home about 3 P M –

August 2. Thursday

Very fine

Infirmery at 10 – Board of health afterwards – Works in the afternoon home to dinner –

August 3. Friday

Fine – close –

Breakfasted at Sketty – then on to Swansea calling at Parkwern – The Potato disease has broken out among my Potatoes – in Swansea I went 1st to the Board of health - & then to the works – home to dinner –

August 4. Saturday

Fine – Wind S.E. overcast in the afternoon –

Drove with Bessie into Swansea – in the afternoon we went to Langland Bay

August 5 – Sunday

Fine –

a.m. we went to church

P.M – Went to Sketty with Bessie

August 6. Monday

Very fine –

Rose Hill

Breakfasted at Sketty – on to the board of health at 11 – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon – home to dinner at 6 – The Cholera much better in Swansea – there have however been 50 deaths from it – principally in the district from the Works up to Greenhill –

August 7. Tuesday

Heavy rain the greater part of the day lightning at night

Breakfasted at Sketty & then in to the Board of Health meeting – Works in the afternoon & home to dinner –

August 8. Wednesday

rather showery – but fine on the whole – excessively hot & sultry all day lightning in the evening

Went into Swansea after breakfast – attended board of health meeting & then to the works – home about 3½ P.M - & walked on to the Mumbles point –

August 9. Thursday

Heavy storms in the morning – fine the rest of the day with the exception of a few showers – very hot –

Infirmery at 10½ - Sanatory [*sic*] committee afterwards - & then down to the works – home to dinner at 6 – Bessie went with the children to a childrens party at Singleton –

August 10. Friday

Very fine in the day – Sun very hot – cloudy in the evening –

Rose Hill

Drove in the gig with Bessie to Sketty to breakfast – We afterwards went on to Swansea & I went down to the Works – at 12 I attended a meeting of the Town Council & afterwards went down to the works again – we left Swansea about ¼ 4 P.M & drove home –

August 11. Saturday

Heavy rain in the night – fine in the day – Threatening & scuds [?] of rain in the evening – Wind SW. high –

About 11 a.m I went with Bessie down to Pwll du rocks –

August 12. Sunday

Fine in the day – Wind high – S.W – rainy in the evening –

A.M. We went to Church

PM – Walked to Langland bay with the children –

August 13 – Monday

Very Showery – wind high W –

Breakfasted at Sketty & afterwards went on to Swansea – attended a Harbour meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon – Walked round by Sketty in my way home

August 14 – Tuesday

Rather Showery but finer than yesterday

I went to Swansea after breakfast & attended the Sanatory committee at 10½ - I afterwards went round to see some Cholera patients with Mr Kavanagh in Greenhill - works in the afternoon - home to dinner

August 15. Wednesday

Slight showers but fine on the whole -

Rose Hill

Breakfasted at Sketty & then on to Swansea - Attended the Sanatory Committee in the morning & then went to the works - home to dinner at ½ past 5 - at 8 went to a concert of the Infant Sappho!! At the Mumbles Inf. School room

August 16. Thursday

Fine except slight Showers -

As it was our Wedding day we went with the children & Miss Vickerman & spent the day in Langland Bay

August 17. Friday

bright & fine in the morning - Showery in the afternoon -

I breakfasted at Sketty & then went on to Swansea Attended a Harbour committee at 11 - & went to the Works afterwards - home to dinner at 6-

August 18. Saturday -

Fine but cold - rather overcast.

Went to the Works after breakfast calling at Sketty in going & returning - got back about 4 P.M - In the evening went out to see a child of the Gardeners here who is ill of Diarrhoe [*sic*] -

August 19

Fine except 1 or 2 slight showers - overcast

Rose Hill

I went over to Langland bay in the morning & again in the afternoon with the children -

August 20. Monday

Fine on the whole - slight occasional showers

Breakfasted at Sketty - Harbour meeting at 12 - Works in the afternoon - Home to dinner -

August 21. Tuesday

Rather overcast & threatening but no rain to speak of -

Being LWDs birthday Bessie & I went to breakfast at Sketty - & we afterwards went with Mary to Swansea – Mary came back here with us about 1 P.M - & we went to search the pools at low water about the Mumbles head & Bracelet bay

August 22. Wednesday

Fine

Went to the works after breakfast came home by Parkwern & afterwards called at Woodlands – drank tea at Sketty

August 23. Thursday

Very fine - -

Infirmery at 10 – Harbour committee at 10½ - Dock office at 1 P.M.
Works in the afternoon – home to dinner at ½ past 6 – W Hewson & Captn Jeffreys dined with us –

August 24 Friday

Very fine – hot

Rose Hill

Breakfasted at Sketty & then on to the Works – played at Cricket at 1 P.M.
We dined at the Grange to meet Captn Jeffreys –

August 25. Saturday

Fine - hot & close – rather misty –

Went to Swansea after breakfast & was busy at the works all day

August 26. Sunday

Fine on the whole some misty rain fell in the afternoon – Wind W –

a.m. went to church with Bessie & Minnie

P.M. Went over to Langland Bay with Bessie & the children –

August 27. Monday

Very fine – cool –

Breakfasted at Sketty – works afterwards Mary walked with me from Sketty – Home to dinner at 6 –

August 28. Tuesday

Misty wetting rain nearly all day – mild & close – Wind S –

Went to Swansea after breakfast – attended Petty Sessions at 11 – Works in the afternoon – we dined at the Elms in the evening –

August 29. Wednesday

Very fine – bright & hot

Rose Hill

Breakfasted at Sketty – met some of the Harbour Trustees at Strouds Bank at 10 respecting the Dukes opposition to the Float of the Town reach – Went to the Works at 11 – about 12½ I went down to the Cricket field & played a match of Country against Town – W-Hewson came back to dinner with me & his Sisters & Mr & Mrs Gough came to tea –

August 30. Thursday

Misty wetting rain the greater part of the day –

Went to Swansea at 10½ where I remained at the works till the evening – home to dinner at 6 –

August 31. Friday

Very fine –

Breakfasted at Sketty – then on to the Works – at 2½ PM attended a meeting of the council of the Royal Institution – home to dinner

Sept 1. Saturday

Dry hot wind – S.E – overcast –

Went into the works after breakfast came home about 2½ & walked with Bessie over the rocks –

Sept 2. Sunday

rather Showery – wind S.W – fine & pleasant on the whole –

Rose Hill

We went to Church in the morning & in the afternoon went with the Children to Llangland Bay –

Sept 3. Monday

Very fine – hot & bright –

Breakfasted at Sketty & then on to Swansea – attended a Harbour meeting at 12 & then went to the works – home to dinner at 6 –

Sept 4. Tuesday

Hot & fine – but very close & unpleasant – sultry –

Attended Petty Sessions – (Licencing [*sic*] meeting) went to the works afterwards – home to dinner – Bessie went to a Pic nic at 3 cliffs Bay

Sept 5. Wednesday

Wind S.E – fine –

Breakfasted at Sketty – then on to the works – Played a match at Cricket in the afternoon – home to dinner about 7 –

Septr 6. Thursday

Wind S.E – dry – close & uncomfortable

I did not go out as I was laid up with an attack of vomiting which lasted nearly all day

Septr 7 – Friday

Fine – Wind E –

Rose Hill

I did not go out as I still felt rather unwell –

Septr 8. Saturday

Very fine – Wind N E – bright – cool in the morning & evening –

I drove into Swansea by way of Sketty & Parkwern after breakfast & attended a Dock meeting at 2 P.M the rest of the day I was busy at the works – Gough came with me & in the evening returned here & dined with me – Bessie, Mrs Gough & a party had gone to a Pic Nic at Langland Bay & in the evening drank tea at the Hewsons – after dinner Gough & I joined the party there –

Septr 9 – Sunday

Fine a m – Threatening P.M –

a m we went to church

P.M walked with the children to Langland

Septr 10. Monday

a m Rainy – P M Fine

Breakfasted at Sketty on to works afterwards

Septr 11. Tuesday

Showery

Harbour meeting – works afterwards

Septr 12. Wednesday

Showery

Breakfasted at Sketty – Works in the day – We dined at the Hewsons

Septr 13. Thursday

Fine on the whole – slight showers

Rose Hill –
Infirmary at 10 – then on to a Harbour committee at 10½ Works
afterwards – meeting of Dock Directors in the afternoon – We dined at
Singleton in the evening

Sept 14. Friday

Fine on the whole – slight showers – wind W –

Breakfasted at Sketty – Works at 10½ - Town Council meeting at 11½ -
played at Cricket in the afternoon – The Marriots & Hewson & G.B. Morris
dined with us –

Sept 15. Saturday

Fine all day –

I went to Swansea in the Dog cart & Bessie accompanied me – we came
home by Parkwern –

Sept 16. Sunday

Rain on and off the greater part of the day –

a.m. We went to church

P.M. I walked over to Caswell bay to see Fanny –

Sept 17. Monday

Very fine – Wind N.E.

Breakfasted at Sketty & on to Swansea – busy at the Works all day – home
to dinner –

Sept 18. Tuesday

Very fine Wind N.E. bright

Rose Hill

Went in the morning to Low water mark at Langland Bay with Bessie & in
the afternoon went with her to Parkwern

Sept 19. Wednesday

Very fine – Wind N.E. Bright –

Breakfasted at Sketty & then on to Works – about 5 P.M went up to a
Bazaar at Grenfells to bring Bessie Mary Minnie & the Miss Hewsons
home – we got back here about 8 P.M.

Sept 20. Thursday

Fine. wind N.E.

Infirmary at 10 - & on to the Works – home by 6 PM.

Septr 21. Friday

Wind E. High – cold – fine –

Breakfasted at Sketty – busy at the works all day – In the evening went up to the Bazaar at Grenfells which was adjourned to fetch Bessie & c home as on Wednesday

Septr 22 – Saturday –

Wind E- high – dark & threatening

Busy in Swansea at the works –

Septr 23 – Sunday

a.m. Wind E. high – cold – P.M. showers at first about 3 P.M. they cleared off & the weather became milder –

a.m – I went to Church

P.M – Walked with Minnie to Langland bay

Septr 24. Monday

a.m. Misty rain – P.M fine but overcast. very mild

Rose Hill

Busy in Swansea – called at Sketty in my way

Septr 25. Tuesday

Wind E – high –

Busy at the Works & a Attwoods offices on Justicing business

Septr 26. Wednesday

Wind very high E. dry & unpleasant

Breakfasted at Sketty – busy at Swansea the rest of the day

Septr 27. Thursday

a.m. Wind high E. P.M. heavy rain –

Infirmary at 10 – Harbour committee at 11. Works in the afternoon – the Goughs & C Jones s [sic] dined with us –

Septr 28. Friday –

a.m. Showery – fine in the day – Rainy at night –

I went out Shooting to Cathelyd with Captn Astell –

Septr 29. Saturday

a.m. fine – heavy rain in the night – mild – sun hot – heavy rain in the evening –

Breakfasted at Sketty – Works in the day –

September 30. Sunday

a.m. Heavy rain – PM Showery –

Did not go out much on acct of the weather –

October 1. Monday

rain in the morning – tolerably fine the rest of the day

Breakfasted at Sketty – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works the rest of the day – G B Morris dined with us

October 2. Tuesday

Fine – cold.

Busy at the Works – We drank tea at the Elinsons [?] this evening

October 3. Wednesday

Heavy rain in the morning, which continued more or less through the day
Wind high – W.

Busy in Swansea nearly all day – Quarterly Meeting at the House of Correction at 1. P.M –

October 4. Thursday

a.m. stormy – P.M. Fine – cold & clear.

Rose Hill

Infirmity at 10 – Works the rest of the day.

October 5 – Friday

a.m fine – P.M rainy & unsettled

Breakfasted at Sketty – then on to the Works –
P.M. Arranged furniture & c at Parkwern

October 6. Saturday

a.m. fine – P.M heavy cold rain – Wind SE high

Went to Oxwich bay with Moggridge –

October 7. Sunday

Wind NE- Very cold – Heavy rain the greater part of the day

Bessie not very well – I did not go out much

October 8 – Monday

Wind N.E. cold, bright & clear –

I breakfasted at Sketty & then out to the Works

October 9. Tuesday

Very fine – cold – wind N.E –

Sketty Hall

a.m. busy packing & c – P.M we left Rose Hill & came here –

October 10. Wednesday

Very fine – cold – Wind N.E-

a.m Went to Swansea Church with Mary, this being the day appointed for a fast & c on account of the Cholera – P.M walked with Bessie & the children on the sands –

October 11. Thursday

Wind E – cold – dark –

Infirmary at 10 – Float committee at Assembly rooms 11 – Works in the afternoon

October 12. Friday

Fine – cold – Wind N.E –

Sketty Hall

Llangafelach Petty Sessions at 12 – Works in the afternoon –

October 13 – Saturday

Fine – cold – Wind N E.

Busy in Swansea all day – We dined at Singleton

October 14. Sunday

Fine – cold – Wind N E

a.m. went to church – P.M. walked with Bessie & the children

October 15 – Monday

Fine – cold – wind N E –

Busy in Swansea – Talbot came here this evening –

October 16. Tuesday

cold – Wind E –

Walked in with Talbot after breakfast & attended the Quarter Sessions –
went to the Works in the afternoon

October 17 – Wednesday

Wind W – mild – occasional rain – not heavy

Shewed Talbot & Theodore the Works after breakfast – they left about 2 p
m –

October 18. Thursday

Fine –

Infirmery at 10 – Harbour Committee afterwards – Works in the
afternoon – Lity Socy in the evening – Nicholl came here this evening

October 19. Friday

Very fine –

Busy with Bessie all day at Parkwern hanging pictures & c

October 20 Saturday

Very fine – rain in the night –

Busy at the works – called at the Infirmery in my way to Swansea –

October 21. Sunday

Heavy rain in the night – fine in the day – Wind W. High – very mild –

Sketty Hall

a.m. Went to Church – P.M – walked on the sands with Bessie & the
Children

October 22. Monday

Heavy rain all day –

Busy in Swansea all day

Octr 23. Tuesday

Rainy –

Busy in Swansea all day

Octr 24 – Wednesday

Unsettled – heavy rain in the afternoon very mild –

Busy in Swansea all day – Works & Dock matters in which there was a
conference at Attwoods office at 3 P.M - -

Octr 25. Thursday

a.m. unsettled & occasional rain –
P.M. thick wetting rain –

Infirmery at 10.a.m then on to Float Committee – Dock office at 2 P.M. & works afterwards – about 3½ P.M I went up with G B Morris to see H. Vivian at the Copper Works after which we went to Landore to see the progress of the Railroad &c – home to dinner –

Octr 26. Friday

Fine – wind high W –

a.m. went to Parkwern with Bessie –
P M went to the Works –

Octr 27 – Saturday –

Mild – drizzling rain occasionally through the day – not heavy –

Busy in Swansea all day

October 28. Sunday

Very fine –

Sketty Hall
a.m. Went to Swansea Church
P.M – walked with Bessie & the Children

Octr 29. Monday

Very fine - -

a.m. Works – P M busy at Parkwern

October 30. Tuesday

a.m. fine – P.M overcast & threatening

Petty Sessions at 11.a.m - & then to the Works –

October 31. Wednesday –

Stormy & rainy – Wind very high at night –

Went to Parkwern to arrange books &c after breakfast – Works in the afternoon –

November 1. Thursday

Misty & thick bit not much rain -

Infirmery at 10. Float Committee at 10½ - & then to the Works – at 1.P.M attended a meeting respecting Prince Alberts plan for an exhibition of Works of Art & Industry to be held in London in 1851 – Works again in

the afternoon – it was the Municipal election today & I came in at the head of the Poll for the upper Ward –

November 2. Friday

Stormy – no rain

Busy at the Works &c –

November 3. Saturday

Very fine

a.m. Busy at Parkwern with Bessie

P.M. went to the Works –

November 4 – Sunday

Rainy & unsettled – Wind W. High –

Sketty Hall

a.m. remained at home –P.M. walked with Bessie & the children & then went to call at Woodlands –

November 5. Monday

Wind high gusty W. & NW. - occasional storms of hail & rain – cold –

Works in the morning – Harbour meeting at 12 – Works again in the afternoon

November 6 – Tuesday

Occasional Storms – clear & cold in the interval

Busy at the works – Walked home with Bessie in the afternoon

November 7. Wednesday

Driving rain all day

Paving meeting at 12 – Works the rest of the day

November 8. Thursday

Mild – unsettled – thick drizzling rain at intervals

Infirmery at 10 – Works at 10½ Dock office at 1 – Works again in the afternoon

November 9. Friday

Fine –

Parkwern

We came home today – I went in to Swansea the first thing after breakfast – Town Council meeting at 12 – works in the afternoon –

November 10. Saturday

Fine –

Went over to Sketty after breakfast then into Swansea – went first to the Works – attended Corporation Committee respecting Docks at Town Clerks office at 1 – Works again in the afternoon

November 11. Sunday

Very fine – Mild – bright –

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon with B & the children

November 12. Monday

Am Thick & foggy – P.M dark – inclined to drizzling rain towards the evening –

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – Dock office at 1 – Works again in the afternoon –

November 13 – Tuesday

Heavy storms – fine in the interlude. Wind W –

Busy in Swansea all day –

November 14. Wednesday –

Heavy & occasional storms of Hail & rain Wind N.W - -

Went over to Sketty after breakfast & then in to the Works where I remained the greater part of the day –

November 15 – Thursday

Showery – Wind W – cold –

Today was set apart by Queens Proclamation for a General thanksgiving for the cessation of the Cholera – We went to church in the morning & in the PM went over to Sketty with the children –

Novr 16, Friday

Infirmary at 10 - - Police Court at 11. & then to Works in the P.M. went with Bessie & Minnie to see Landore Foundry – G Morris dined with us – Benson & W Hewson met him & Miss E Hewson came & stopped the night here-

Novr 17 – Saturday

Fine –

I went out Shooting to the Loughor Marshes

November 18 – Sunday

Rain all day – Wind W. mild –

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon

November 19. Monday

Misty – mild – some small rain

Went over to Sketty after breakfast – at 11 attended a Committee of the Corporation respecting the project of their taking shares in the Dock Co – Works in the afternoon

November 20. Tuesday

Misty in the morning but no rain – Wind E – in the afternoon, thick & dark

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then to Swansea – attended Petty Session at the Police Court at 11 – Works in the afternoon –

November 21. Wednesday

Wind S.E high - cold – no rain – dark & threatening –

Attended committee as to Corpn & Docks at Strouds bank at 10½ - Paving meeting at 12 – Works in the afternoon –

November 22. Thursday

Rainy –

Infirmery at 10 – Harbour Committee at 10½ Works in the afternoon – over to Sketty before dinner – Lity & Scientc Socy meeting in the evening

November 23. Friday

Rainy all day

Sketty after breakfast – meeting respecting Deaf & Dumb asylum at 11 – Corpn Committee at 12 – Works in the afternoon –

November 24. Saturday

Fine & bright –

Parkwern

Went out Shooting towards Caenewydd –

Novr 25. Sunday

Fine – slight Showers –

a m - went to Church – P.M – over to Sketty

Novr 26. Monday

Fine – but rather Showery frosty at night

Over to Sketty after breakfast – paving meeting at 1- a m – Works in the afternoon -

Novr 27 – Tuesday

Thermr about Sunrise 31° cold all day

to Sketty after Breakfast & then to the Works –

Novr 28. Wednesday

Thermr about 35° at Sunrise – Wind high E.& S.E. very cold –

to Sketty after breakfast – Works the rest of the day –

Novr 29. Thursday

Stormy & unsettled –

Sketty after breakfast – Infirmary at 10 – Harbour committee at 11 – Works in the afternoon

November 30. Friday –

Fine –

I went out shooting over Felin fach &c

December 1 – Saturday

Heavy rain in the night – fine on the whole in the day –

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – Busy at the Works & Flint Mill all day

Decr 2 – Sunday

Rain all day – mild –

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon –

December 3. Monday

Stormy. cold in the afternoon

Rheola

I went over to Sketty after breakfast & then to Swansea – attended Harbour meeting – Works in the afternoon – 3 P.M. came up here for a couple of days with Bessie –

December 4 – Tuesday

Fine – Sharp frost in the night – cold all day

Went out shooting with Vaughan

December 5. Wednesday

Heavy rain in the morning – tolerably fine in the afternoon

Went out shooting with Vaughan

December 6 – Thursday

Fine –

Parkwern

We came home to day – We lunched at the Gnoll in the way & I went to the works in the P.M.

Decr 7 – Friday

Very stormy in the night & morning – unsettled & stormy all day - not much rain in the day

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – Busy at works all day –

December 8. Saturday –

Stormy –

Went to Sketty after breakfast and then into Swansea –

December 9. Sunday

Fine –

Went to church in the morning – In the afternoon went to Sketty with Bessie & the Children

December 10. Monday

Fine –

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty & then into Swansea – Works all day –

December 11 – Tuesday

Fine –

Went out Shooting towards Penyfody & c

December 12. Wednesday

cold - Wind high E

Went to Sketty after breakfast & then into Swansea – busy at works

December 13. Thursday

Very cold – Wind E – high – Thermr for ;last 2 days & nights has not been much above 35° -

Infirmary at 10 – busy at works and on committees the rest of the day

December 14 Friday

Rainy – Mild & Misty

Sketty after breakfast – Town Council meeting at 11 – which did not break up till ½ past 4-P.M – We had a party to dine with us –

December 15. Saturday

Rainy all day – very heavy rain in the night –

Sketty after breakfast & into Swansea where I was bust at the works all day – The Miss Hewsons who dined & slept here last night remain with us & the weather was so bad that they could not return home

December 16. Sunday

Stormy – Wind W – very damp & relieving [?]

Parkwern

Went over to Sketty with Bessie in the afternoon

December 17. Monday

Stormy but fine on the whole –

Sketty after breakfast – then on to Swansea – Corporation Committee at 11 – Works in the P.M –

December 18. Tuesday

Rain in the morning – Stormy –

Sketty after breakfast – works in the day – H. Thomas s [*sic*] little girl came to us to day for a few days

December 19. Wednesday

Fine –

Went out Shooting with Captn Astell – over Canewydd & Penyfody –

December 20 – Thursday

Very fine – Wind N –

Sketty after breakfast – Infirmery at 1- - Float committee at 10½ – Works in the afternoon

December 21. Friday

Very fine – Cold all day. Wind N.N.E – frost in the night –

Sketty after breakfast – Town Council meeting at 11 – Works in the afternoon

December 22. Saturday –

Very fine – Cold – Wind N.E. Frosty –

Sketty after breakfast – Works in the day – Grenfell & Stroud dined here in the evening –

December 23 – Sunday

Fine – cold – Sharp frost – Wind N.E.

Parkwern

Went to church with Minnie in the morning – over to Sketty in the afternoon –

December 24 – Monday

Frost in the night – thaw in the day – Wind E.N.E. cold again towards night –

Corporation Committee in the morning – at 1. Settled with Jeffreys & Gaskoin for the purchase of LWDs & my land by the South Wales Railway Co & recd the money £1000 for him which I paid to his credit at the Branch Bank and £600 – for myself – meeting of Dock Directors in the afternoon & the Works –

December 25. Tuesday

Frost in the night – very fine all day – Thawing in the evening – Wind N.E-

We went to church in the morning - & afterwards went over to Sketty with the children where we al dined at 2 P.M. & I afterwards walked with Mary to Killay & then back to Sketty where we spent the evening & came home about 8 –

December 26. Wednesday –

Misty rain occasionally – Wind N.W.

Sketty after breakfast - & then to the Works – busy there all day –

December 27. Thursday

Cold – hail storms occasional – Wind N.W –

Parkwern

Infirmery at 10 – Town Council meeting afterwards till 3 – Works in the afternoon

December 28. Friday

Thermr 26½ at 7½ - Cold all day – at 5 P.M Thermr 26- Snow in the night & wind high N.W – a heavy Snow Storm again in the afternoon –

Sketty after breakfast & then in to the Works –

December 29. Saturday

Sharp frost & a heavy fall of Snow in the night – fine but cold all day – frost again at night

Went over to Penllergare with my gun & shot my way back with Johnny who is come to stay over tomorrow with us –

Decr 30. Sunday

Sharp still frost in the night clear fine & cold all day

a.m. Walked into church with Mary & Johnny –

PM – Went over to Sketty with Bessie & Johnny & Minnie –

December 31. Monday

Sharp frost in the night – Thermr lowest about 24 ½ - clear & fine all day-

Drive with Johnny in the Dog Cart into Swansea after breakfast & then on to Penllergare – Shot my way home Johnny came with me as far as Cadley & then returned –

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