Transcription of the Diary of Anne Lister, 1806-1814  
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1806
Monday August 11th Eliza left us
Had a letter from her on Wednesday
Morning by Mr Ratcliffe the 13th Inst[ant]
Wrote to her on Thursday 14th by Mr Lund
Wrote to her again on Sunday 17th put into
the Post Office at Leeds on the Monday following
that evening the 18th had a parcel from
her music letter and lavender
had a letter Wednesday August 20th
Answered on the 21st
Sunday 24th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] put into the Post on Monday
Wednesday 27th had a letter from her in answer to two
Friday 28th RECEIVED a parcel from ER [Eliza Raine] by Mr Lund
Sunday 30th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] in answer to ten sheets
by Mr Lund – Sunday 7 of September wrote ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 9th had a letter from her
Wednesday 10th had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 12th had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 11th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] in answer to hers of the 10th
Sunday September 14th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] by my Uncle and
Aunt J Lister going to Hull on the same
day a short note to Miss Hargrave enclos[ed]
with 3 handkerchiefs 1 slip in a parcel
with my letter to ER [Eliza Raine] in answer to one
from her on Saturday 13th by Mr Vastlet
enclosing me a Cornelian Broach
Monday August 25th 1806 rode with Mr
Mitchell to Baku
Tuesday September 16th had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] in answer to
mine by my Uncle and Aunt by the post they being at Hull
Wednesday rode with Mr Mithell to Fixby through Elland
Rastrick and Brighouse on that day was the Oratoria
at Elland Wednesday September 17th 1806
[August-October 1806]

Sunday Sep[tem]b[e]r 21st wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] in Answer to a packet by my Uncle and Aunt Lister returned from Hull
Sunday Sep[tem]b[e]r 28th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] on a large sheet filled on all sides
Tuesday 30th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Oct[o]b[e]r 3rd Wrote a note to ER [Eliza Raine] by Mr Lund to Tadcaster by Mr Hill to York enclosed with je suis lindor a Welch Air and the following written to Raine 1st Do not play je suis Lindon for fear you sh[oul]d take the infection
2nd Ah! One sad moment when you're not aware
May plunge you in the deep abyss of care
3rd With love and best thanks yours Lister
Sunday Oct[o]b[e]r 5th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday Oct[o]b[e]r 7th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday Oct[o]b[e]r 12th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday Oct[o]b[e]r 14th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday Oct[o]b[e]r 10th attended one of Mr Daltons lectures on Galvanism was well entertain[ed]
got Henry’s Chemistry
went with Mr Jospeh Lister and Mr Nicholls
Monday Oct[o]b[e]r 13th Attended another of Daltons Lecturers Gal[vanis]m went with Mr JL [Joseph Lister] and Mr N [Nicholls]
Friday Oct[o]b[e]r 10th attended one of Mr Daltons lectures on Galvanism was well entertain[ed]

August 17th Sunday Night
September 25th Thursday Morning early
[October-December 1806]

Friday Oct[ober] 31st and Saturday Nov[ember] 1st
Did not attend Mr Knight.
Monday Nov[ember] 3rd - wrote a very short
Monday Evening Nov[ember] 3d And Tuesday morn[ing]
wrote another Letter to E.R. [Eliza Raine] by my
Mother who left Halifax for Weighton Nov[ember] 4th
4th - by the mail also sent to E.R. [Eliza Raine] by my
Mother my slain Lord remember David and
Mr Cummage's March

Sunday Noon - Nov[ember] 2d 1806.
Sunday Nov[ember] 9th - wrote to E.R. [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday Nov[ember] 11th - Had a Letter from E.R. [Eliza Raine]
Friday Nov 7th - My Father went to Weighton.
Thursday Nov[ember] 13th - my Father arrive here from Weighton.
Monday Nov[ember] 17th - Wrote to E.R. [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday Nov[ember] 19th - Had a parcel from E.R. [Eliza Raine]
by my Mother on her return from Weighton.
Wednesday Nov[ember] 19th - 1st Snow at Halifax.
Sunday Nov[ember] 23 - Wrote to E.R. [Eliza Raine]
Thursday Nov[ember] 27th - Had 3 sheets from E.R. [Eliza Raine] in
a parcel for my Mother.
Thursday Nov[ember] 27th - Went to Mr Stopford's 1st concert
in a Habit Shirt and was much stared at and
was well quizzed as 'an original' - care despised on
my part - the Music of Women and divers Instruments
continued until far past 10
Sunday Nov[ember] 30th - Wrote to E.R. [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday December 2d - very snowy day
Tuesday Evening December 2d 1806
Sunday December 7th - wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday December 9th - Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday December 14th - Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday December 16th - Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday December 16th - began the greek Testament
Wednesday December 17th - my Father wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday December 18th [ER wrote to my Father in answer]
18th my Father received a Letter from ER [Eliza Raine]}
Saturday December 20th - my father again wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday December 26th - Wrote a short Letter to E.R
To tell ER [Eliza Raine] of Mr Stubbs's intended jaunt to York
Saturday December 27th - Mr Stubbs went from here for Thirsk
Saturday 27th went to Mr K's.-
Sunday December 28th my father [h]ad another letter from Eliza.
Tuesday December 30th - wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] by Mr T-nt [Trant]
Wednesday December 31st - Had a Letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – fav[oure]d by Mr Stubbs -
Wednesday December 31st - a very fine day - began so and so +.
Thursday January 1st 1807 – My mother wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] to ask her over
Saturday my mother heard from ER [Eliza Raine] in answer to her's
Sunday January 4th - wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] –
Wednesday January 7th Mr Stubbs left us –
Friday January 9th Mr Stopford gave me a lesson
Sunday January 11th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday January 13th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday January 18th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday January 20th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday – 25th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday January 25th
Monday 26th Went to Robertsons Benefit – Adrian
And Orilla – Farce – catch him who can or the castle of
Fonterabia  
Tuesday 27th had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]  
Wednesday 28th Bought the Art of Engraving price 4s/6d-  
Friday January 30th got a Polygraphical Dictionary  
Set down to my Fathers account –
Sunday Feb[rua]ry 1st - Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 3d – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 8th – Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 9th – Went again to Mr K – after having Holidays since December Saturday 27th
Tuesday Feb[rua]ry 19th – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 11th – finished the 5th book in Caesar’s Com [Caesar’s Commentaries] and shall not read more in them with Mr K-
Sunday 15th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] but did not send it until Tuesday 17th enclosed in a parcel with a pink Handkerchief and song called Absence -
Tuesday 17th – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 18th Drunk tea at Northgate – was at Bradleys 2 or 3 Hours paid him for mending a flute and ring –
Sunday – 22d wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday Feb[rua]ry 22d morning early
Tuesday 24th Hand a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 25th – did not attend Mr K – it was fast day
Sunday March 1st wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 3d – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] mentioning her having the measles –
Sunday March 15th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 20th took a 4 miles walk with my Father Began [ps] (continued till next Friday)
Sunday 22d wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 23d Had a Holiday – same day finished St John having read 13 chapters – a Holiday a day or 2 before this last
Tuesday 24th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 24th Mr Lund spent the evening with us –
Friday 27th – good Friday – had a Holiday
Saturday 28th finished 6th lib: in Virgil – got out of Virgil with Mr K
Saturday 28th – Spent the evening with Mr Lund
Sunday 29th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – Tom Wilson dined with us –
Tuesday 31st Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday April 2d – Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] by Mr Lund
Thursday 2d to Friday 3d Had a Holiday
Wednesday March 25th – Had my hair cut
Sunday April 5th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – dined at S[hibden] Hall
Tuesday 7th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – My Aunt M dined here
Omitted on Thursday 2d April – Began Livy

*Wednesday April 8th Began – very little - continued a week*
[April-June 1807]

Sunday April 12th – wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 13th – walker with my father to Upper Longbottom
Tuesday 14th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 14th begun Mark
Thursday 16th – Mr Lund came home from York brought me a parcel from ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 17th – Finished Mark have read 4 chapters
Saturday 18th – Begun the Acts of the Apostles
Sunday 19 wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesdays 21 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 23d and Friday 24th – Did not attend Mr Knights

Friday April 24th mane much
Saturday 26th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 28th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Saturday 2d May – Had a holiday
Sunday 3d wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 5th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 6th Had a holiday
Friday 8th Drunk tea at Northgate
Saturday 9th Had a letter from Mr Trant – begun Isocates
Sunday 10th ---- wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 11th wrote to Mr Trant
Tuesday 12th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – had my hair cut

Thursday 14th Had a holiday
Sunday 17th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday --- Had a holiday – 18th –
Tuesday 19th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 21st Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday – 21st Had another letter from ER [Eliza Raine] begun mane

Friday 22d Got a Horace
Sunday 24th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – My father got home from

-------- Weighton at 12 o’clock night

Brought me no letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – he set off Saturday May 16th
Tuesday 26th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] - had a holiday

Wednesday 27 – Had a holiday Mr R went to York to vote
Thursday 28th Friday 29th Had a holiday – called at Northgate
Friday 29th Sat[urday] 30th Did not go to Mr Knight’s
Sunday wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] ---- May 31st
Tuesday June 2d Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 3d Night 10 o clock Mr and Mrs Trant came
Friday 5th Saturday 7th Had a holiday 5th
Sunday 7th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – 7th
Monday 8th Had a holiday – 10th
Tuesday – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – 9th
June Wednesday 3d – Mrs and Mrs Trant came
Monday 15th left us – took Marian with them
June Monday 15th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – Had a holiday
Tuesday 16 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 17 – Had a packet from ER [Eliza Raine] by young Priestleys
Thursday 18 got out of Isocrates and finished to piece to Demonicus
Saturday 20th – Began Xenophon
Sunday June 14th Began much mane
Friday June 19th Mr K: School broke up went that day
Saturday 20th Went to Mr Knights –
Thursday 25th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]; sent on Friday 26
Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25 Halifax Fair Days
Wednesday night 25th Both the Banks stopped Swains
Was shut up and Ingrams only open to give answers
Without doing any business Sylvester’s Bank at
at Huddersfield and Ingrams at Wakefield stopped same time
Saturday 27th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 29th Went to Mr Knights
Thursday July 2d Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 3d went to Mr Knights
Monday 6th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 9th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 10th Went to Mr Knights
Tuesday 7th Had my hair cut and drank tea at Mrs Wetherheads
Wednesday 8th Dined at Northgate Sunday 5th at S. Hall
Saturday 11th Went to Mr Knights δια νυκτος [dia nyktos – by night]
Sunday 12th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Saturday 11th Wrote to Mr Trant by Richard who set
Off very early on Sunday morning
Sunday 12th Had a letter from Mr T- with Farmabii
and Memoria Technica by Grey – Marian came Home
Monday 13th Drank tea at Mr Mitchels met Miss Ramsden
Thursday 16th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – my Aunt M: dined with us
Friday 17th Dined at S.H. [Shibden Hall]
Saturday 18th drank tea at Northgate
Sunday 19th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 21st My Father went to Leeds came back next day at night
Saturday 25th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] by Mr E Priestley
Sunday 26th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 28th Mr Knights school begun Mr and Mrs WH Rawson
Mrs and Mr John Priestley Mr and Mrs W[jilla]m Rawson Miss Walker drank
Tea with us same day
Wednesday 29th Mr and Mrs J Ramsden Mr R Do [Ramsden] Mr and Mrs
Mrs Mitchell Mrs Hurst Mr Lund and my Uncle Joseph drank tea with us
Thursdays 30th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday August 2d wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 5th Had a holiday Richard got scolded
Thursday 6th Illingworth Oratoria went mane
[August-October 1807]

Thursday August 6th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 9th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – met Dr and Mrs Colthurst coming from S. Hall
Monday 10th Had a holiday
Thursday 13th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 14th Got out of the Testaments finished the Act
Thursday 20th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 16th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 27th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 23d Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 27 beg[un] Xen[ophon] Pantheia – mane
Saturday 27th finished 1st lib: of Hor[ace] began Paterc[ulus]
Sunday 30th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Saturday August 22d Richard begun
Monday August 3d Bradley went to America
Friday Sept[em]b[e]r 4th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 4th Went with my father to see Northowram estate
Friday 4th and Saturday 5th Holidays
Sunday 6th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] letter went on Tuesday 8th
Friday 11th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – walked to the height
Sunday 13th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 17th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – begun Demosthenes
Friday 18th My father went to Bossall – took a note to ER [Eliza Raine]
did not bring one in return –
Sunday 20th Wrote a short letter to ER [Eliza Raine] by Mr Lund who
set off for Barton – My father came back Sunday 20th
Wednesday mane Sep[tem]b[e]r 23d
Thursday 24th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 27th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 21st Left off Paterculus
Thursday -- Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – October 1st
Friday – Begun the 2 Book Horace’s Odes Oct[o]b[er] 2
Sunday – October 4th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] –
Monday 5th Had a holiday –
Friday 9th Mr Lund returned brought me a parcel
from ER [Eliza Raine] her picture, H shirts, sleeves, poetry, epistle
Saturday 10th finished second book of Horace
Sunday 11th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] my Aunts went to Buxton
Monday 12th My father went to Weighton
Monday 12th Lent [Coes] [Corn] to Mr Lund
Wednesday 14th Thursday 15 Friday 16 Holidays
Thursday 15th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] mane
Sunday 18th My Father came back – wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 20th paid Mr Knight
Thursday 22d Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 22d Got Clarke’s [Clarke’s] edit[i]on of Homer – second hand – pret. 14s/-
Sunday 25th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 26th --- Had a holiday
Saturday 24 Begun Homer
Sunday 25th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 28th Began accompts with Mr Knight
Thursday 29th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
--- Tuesday 3d Wednesday 4th Holidays
Thursday 5th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 8th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 12th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – my got Mr Stubb’s picture
Friday 13th mane
Sunday 15th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Wednesday 18th heard from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 22d wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 23d began algebra with Mr Knight
Thursday 29th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 29th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 30th had a holiday
Thursday December 3d had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 6th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] sent it on Tuesday
Friday 4th Drank tea at Mr Alexanders first time
Friday 11th had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 11th Began to extract the square root
Went twice to Mr R
Sunday 13th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Monday 14th nocte
Thursday 17th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 20th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 22d drank tea with Miss Alexander
Wednesday 23 Spent an hour with Miss Alexander in
The evening before I went to the Play of Tancred and Segismunda Mr Farrar’s benefit –
Thursday 24th Mr Knight school broke up had a holiday
Friday 25th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Saturday 26th went to Mr Knight
Sunday 27th wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 31st Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – went to Mr Knight
Monday 28th Went to Mr Knight
Friday January 1st 1808 – went to Mr Knight
Sunday 3d Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tuesday 5th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – Mr Lund went to York
Mad
Thursday 7th Drank tea with Miss Alexander
Friday 8th after noon Began
Sunday 10th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 14th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 15th – went to Booth dean [Spaw]
Saturday 16th Went to Mr K[night]

Monday 18 drank tea at
Northgate my Uncle Joe gave
me decem/six [ten/six – 10 shillings and sixpence]

Thursday 21st went to Mr K[night] – Had a party of Gentlemen
Thursday 21st sent 2 full small sheets to ER [Eliza Raine] that ought to have gone
By Mr Priestleys – by the post
Friday 22d Called upon Miss Alexander Miss Ransden and Miss
Mullins – Miss Ramsden drank tea with us
Saturday 23d wrote a short letter by Mr Priestleys to ER [Eliza Raine]

December 31st Sent Mr Skelding [alup pet.] 1-18-6
and a latin letter with it
Jan[uar]y 2d 1808 – had a latin letter from Mr Skelding

Thursday 28th Jan[uary] Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Sunday 31st Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – drank tea with Miss A-
Monday Feb[rua]ry 1st Miss A- began music
Tuesday – 2d – Miss A- a lesson
Wednesday 3d Miss A- a lesson – Began – mane
Thursday 4th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Friday 5th Miss A had a lesson – and Saturday 6th too
Sunday 7th dined at S.H. [Shibden Hall] drank tea with Miss A
Monday 8th in the morning wrote a short letter to ER [Eliza Raine]
also gave Miss A- a lesson and drank tea
Monday 8th began a quadratic
Give Miss A- a lesson regularly – Monday Wednes[day] Friday
Thursday 11th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Saturday 13th Began Euclid
Sunday 14\textsuperscript{th} Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Omitted Friday 12\textsuperscript{th} Mr Winn drank tea with us
Monday 15\textsuperscript{th} Had a Valentine –
Friday 19\textsuperscript{th} Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Saturday 20\textsuperscript{th} Dine and spent the whole with Miss A-
looking over books – played 2 rubbers with Lewis A-
Sunday 21\textsuperscript{st} wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 25\textsuperscript{th} Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] –
Friday 26\textsuperscript{th} Miss A- went to the Royd –
till now at every lesson one excepted and every Sunday
one excepted from after Sunday Feb[ruary] 7\textsuperscript{th} drank tea with Miss A-
Wednesday 24\textsuperscript{th} finished 4 lib. Horace’s odes
Thursday 25\textsuperscript{th} finished 2 lib. of Homer –
Friday – 26\textsuperscript{th} Dined at Mr Mitchells met there Mrs Dickison
Miss Bagnold and Mr Bradford – Had a holiday -
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Sunday Feb[rua]ry 28th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Wednesday March 2d Begun Xenophon’s Memorabilia
And left off Homer for a while

Thursday 3d mane – Wednesday 2d Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Sunday 6th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Monday 7th Begun Tacitus’s Life of Agricola – left off Horace
For a while – also drank tea at S.H [Shibden Hall] and met the Watkinsons

Wednesday – 9th lost 4 rubbers playing with old Doctor cont. Father and Mother

Thursday 10th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – bought Hoyle for my mother

Sunday 13th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Thursday 17th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – had a holiday

Sunday 20th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – also to my aunt Anne at Dr Hunters

Tuesday 22d Had a letter from Mr Trant along with a box with
Silk worms eggs for Marian

Wednesday 23d – Had a letter from my Aunt Anne with a
present of Dr Hunter’s publication of Men and Manners for the Author

Friday 25th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – by a some worsteds to my Aunt

Friday 25th Wrote again to my Anne to acknowledge the book and her letter

Sunday 27 – Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Monday 28th Had another letter from my Aunt Anne
Miss Alexander came home 28

Wednesday 30\textsuperscript{th} Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] –

Sunday April 3\textsuperscript{d} – Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] and again to my Aunt Anne

Sunday 3\textsuperscript{d} – \textit{Mane} –

Tuesday 5\textsuperscript{th} gave Miss Alexander the first lesson since her return home

Wednesday 6\textsuperscript{th} Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Wednesday 6\textsuperscript{th} Thursday 7\textsuperscript{th} Friday 8\textsuperscript{th} Had a holiday –

Tuesday 12\textsuperscript{th} Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] –

Thursday 14\textsuperscript{th} Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Saturday 16 finish Tacitus’ life of Agricola

Monday 18\textsuperscript{th} Begun 3\textsuperscript{d} book of Homer –

Tuesday 19\textsuperscript{th} – Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] –

Wednesday 20\textsuperscript{th} Miss A- missed her lesson in consequence of going out to tea at Miss Hoyle’s – New Road

Thursday 21\textsuperscript{st} Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] –

Friday 22\textsuperscript{d} Miss A- missed her lesson in consequence of Mr Stopford tuning the instrument

Sunday 24\textsuperscript{th} – Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Wednesday 27\textsuperscript{th} Wrote to my mother – No. 3 George Street Hull

Thursday 28\textsuperscript{th} finished 3\textsuperscript{d} lib. of Homer

Omitted Monday 11\textsuperscript{th} my mother and father went to Weighton my father returned
Sunday morning ½ past 7 – 17th
[April-June 1808]

Sunday – May 1st Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Tuesday 3d Dined at Mr Mitchells new house

Wednesday 4th Dine at Mr Shaws – had a holiday –

April Saturday – 29th – Began mane

Monday May 2d omitted began 4th Lib. Hom[er]

Friday 6th Had a holiday – Miss A- missed her lesson in con[sequence] of Mr Stop[ford]

Saturday 7th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Thursday 13th began 5th lib. Hom[er] omitted before

Tuesday 17th Had a holiday

Thursday 19th and Friday 20th had a holiday –

Friday 20th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] –

Sunday 22d wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Thursday 26 – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Wednesday 25th  Began 10 cloc mane

Sunday 29th  Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] –

Wednesday June 1st began on the terrest[rial] Globe with Mr. K- [Knight]

Thursday 2d Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] and wrote to her by Mr E Priestley

Monday 6th Miss Alex. was engaged therefore had no lesson –

Tuesday 7th finished 5 lib. of Hom[er]

Saturday 11th  Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – sent on Sunday –

Wednesday 15th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] by Mr E Priestly –

Thursday 16  Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Friday 17th by the Defiance, mane, Miss Alex. went to Thurnham

Tuesday 21st  mane 11. Began – Began decimals with Mr K

Wednesday 22d ER [Eliza Raine] came along with H and C Priestley of White Window

Thursday 23r Mr Knights School broke up – Burn came to Miss Mellins at London

Friday 24th  The fair day went to see Potasi’s shew of wild beasts

Sunday 26th called upon Burn after having been at the old Church

Monday 27th Began to remove from King Cross to Ellen Royd Haley Hill drank tea and supper with Mrs Dickinson

Wednesday 29th finished moving – Burn returned my call in the afternoon
Thursday 30th – dined at Shib[den] Hall mane 7 – felix

Friday July 1st – drank tea at Mr Mitchells to meet Mrs Brighouse Mr Gibb, Miss James , Bagnold

Saturday 2d Drank tea at Mrs Dickinsons to meet Mrs Brighouse, Miss James, Miss Bagnold and Mrs Mitchell – my mother asked Miss Bagnold to drink tea on Monday follow. Felix

Sunday 3d – Felix

Monday 4th Miss Burn dined with us but did not stay supper Miss Bagnold did stay supper after drinking tea together with Mrs Mitch[ell] and Com-Felix

Wednesday 6th drank tea at Mrs Wetherheads

Sunday 10th Went to Belveder with Brun and ER [Eliza Raine]

Monday 11th Called up Mrs Crosley – Miss Ramsden returned my call

Tuesdays 12th Dined at Shibden Hall

Friday 15th Miss Wrightson measured me for a gown

Saturday 16th Mr and Mrs Mitch[ell] Mr Alex[ander] Miss Bagnold drank tea with us and was measured

Eliza =====

Monday 18th dined at Darcey Hay – got my gown from Miss Wrightson

Wednesday 20th Miss Ramsden drank tea with us Began mane

Thursday 21st - Felix – drank tea with Mr K Watkinson

Friday 22d drank tea at Crownest and rode with Mr Nicholls
in his gig – to Greave House

Saturday 23d – Felix – ½ 8 o clock

Sunday 24th Walked to Woodhouse Scar with Burn and Miss Meelin – Felix
½ past 3 mane

Monday 25th The Watkinsons, Miss Mellins, Burn and Mr Shaw drank tea with us

Tuesday 26th Went to Joe Chapels at Ovenden to share the pot of coffee
which Mr J Watkinson Jun. and Mr Currer lost to Burn

Wednesday 27th drank tea and supped at Miss Mellins to take leave of Burn

Thursday 28th 6 mane Burn left Halifax for Horton near Appleby
Westmoreland – Miss Knight and Mr Alex. Drank tea with us

Friday 29th Mr Knight and his family got home from Lincolnshire

Sunday 31st – Felix –

Monday August 1st Mr Knights school began Began rhetoric

Tuesday 2d – Felix

Thursday 4th – Felix

Wednesday 3d omitted Mr Nicholls Mr Walker Miss Fitzer Mr H Priestley my Uncle Lister and Aunt Martha dined with us

Friday 5th Went in the evening to Darcey Hey Began 5 Lib Enc.

Saturday 6th – Felix

Monday 8th Dined at Mr Watkinsons Moor Side

Tuesday 9th Dined at Shibden Hall
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Thursday 11th Drank tea at Thorpe – Felix – Eliza

Saturday – 13th – finished lib. 5 of Euclid

Sunday 14th Dined at Shib[den] Hall and came home sick in a chaise at night

Monday 15 – Mrs Dickinson Mr and Mrs Morley Miss Atkinson [John] Drake drank tea with us

Wednesday 17th Drank tea a Mill House

Friday 19th Began 6th lib. Euclid –

Tuesday 16th Began – 7 [mane]

Monday 22d Began lib. 6. Hom.-

Friday 26th Mr Mitchell began to pull his house down

Sunday 28th Put on mourning for Mr Farrar who died Aug[u]st 16th

Monday 29th Finished 6th lib. Hom.

Tuesday 30th Dined at Mr Nicholls Hipperholme began 7 Lib. Hom. – Felix

Thursday Sep[tem]b[er] 1st Drank tea and supped at Darcey Hey and
Began Oil painting with Mr Farrar ---

Friday 2d Saturday 3d Felix – Sunday 4th Eliza ===

Tuesday 6th Farrer came – Tuesday is his regular day therefore
I shall only set down when he does not come or when he comes on a another day

Wednesday 7th finished 7 lib Homer –
Monday 12th Felix –

Tuesday 13th *Began mane 12*

Thursday 15 Friday 16 Felix 16th also drank tea at Mr Morley

Saturday 17th finished 6th lib. Euclid
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Thursday Oct[ob]e[r 6th] Eliza =====

Thursday 11 Felix

Wednesday 12th Felix afternoon – Began soon after it

Thurs[day] 13th Miss A Mrs Hodgson, Mr A my uncles and Aunts from SH [Shibden Hall] drank Tea and supped with us –

Frid[ay] 14th – I drank tea at Mr A’s and was commissioned w[i]th an Invitat[i]on for my father and mother on Monday following

Monday 17th My father and mother refuse the invitat[i]on but we go stay supper and Meet Mr and Mrs G Alexander who gives us both a Pressing invitat[i]on for the Sat[urday] following and says she Will tomorrow call upon my Mother to has her leave –

Tuesday 18th – Mrs G Alexander, as she said, called th[i]s morn[in]g – my mother did not see her my father as soon as we came down left the room – I told her I was that we c[ou]l[d wait upon her that as my Moth[er] did not visit her I certainly c[ou]l[d not – After dinner we walked to Mill House when we rapped at the door a wom[an] ser[van]t came we asked if Mrs W[illia]m Rawson was at home she said she did not know but w[ou]l[d see and asked us to walk in – we did – she soon returned and said no – Eliza asked for a glass of water – had it – enquiring after the fam[i]ly we set off home – fr[om] the top of King Cross Lane it rained all the way there and every bit of the way back – on our return we called at Darcey Hey Mrs Greenup was at Sowerby we left the 16/6 with the housekeeper and without staying pursued out wet walk and got home ab[ou]t 7 –

Fri[day] 21st – I drank tea w[i]th Miss Alex[ander] she hav[in]g a swell[e]d face did not go w[i]th Mrs Hodgson to spend the evening at Mr Wilcocks
after tea I told Miss a long and purposely unintelligible table about myself pretending to be in love I got home about 11 and being very sick went to bed immediately and Eliza slept with me which she ever after did whilst she stayed with us-

Sat[urday] 22d My Father returned from Weighton –

* Sat[urday] 15<sup>th</sup> Dined and spent the evening at Darcey Hey to meet the Wyatts after leaving the dining room we played at limited unlimited loo Eliza and I lost 15/6 – we got home at about 1 in the morning

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Paid Mr Knight – young Knights drank tea with us –

Thurs[day] 27<sup>th</sup> Drank tea at Mr Greenwoods and met Miss Delia and Mr John Walker of Walter Clough – we got there a little before 7 having before staid a couple of hours at Mr A’s –

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Drank tea at Mr A’s and supped also after tea at Eliza’s instigation I had Miss A on my knee kissed once

Sat[urday] 29<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon went out intending to pay for Elizas bonnet being turned and to get new ribband for it but going first to Mr A’s for one part of Dan: Mitchells puzzle which when
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there in the morn[ing] I had forgotten we staid tea – Thomas after having been for us to the straw hat woman’s and Mr Bradley’s came for us to Mr A’s about ½ past 9 and we immediately went home –

Sun[day] 30th Dined at Shibden Hall

Mon[day] 31st Took leave of Mrs Nicolls – called upon Miss Hudsons Went to Mr K at 9 and instead of coming directly home went to Miss A and staid till near 11 to evade the question have you been to see Miss A came home thro’ the town purposely to call at Mr Bradleys when I got home Eliza as I expected scolded me said she was just going into the town without me and meant to leave Camoens, Lord Strangfords edit[i]on of his sonnets, opened at the piece Canst thou forget the silent tears w[hich] I have shed for thee etc for me upon the desk however all was made right I got my breakfast and we went to Hip[perholme] as above Miss A in the morning have E [Eliza] and I a most pressing invit[ation] to spend the evening w[hich] I refused but we had returned fr[om] Hip[perholme] and [gather] our tea we went but th[e]n found they were supping at Mr Dysons –

Tues[day] Nov[em]b[er] 1st Drank tea and supped and staid till 12 at Mr A’s by the invit[ation] of a note fr[om] Miss A waiting for me at Mr Knights

Wed[nesday] 2d Dined at SH [Shibden Hall] – met my uncle and aunt joe – had a holiday

Thurs[day] 3d Took leave or Mrs Greenup Darcey Hey and town friends

Sun[day] 6th After dinner took leave at Shib[den] Hall – did not stay tea –

Mon[day] 7th Miss A called to take leave of ER [Eliza Raine] and also Miss G Mellin With a letter to her niece at the Manor – had a holiday –
Tuesday 8th ER [Eliza Raine] went

Wednesday 9th – Went to bed before tea of grief, at, !!! departure

Thursday 10th Dined at Mr A’s, Miss Bramley was there forgot my book

Mane ab[out] 6 began

Friday 11th Went to fetch my book and staid till about 5 when

Thomas called to tell me it was time to go home to dress

For tea at Mrs Dickinson’s – put up a camp bed in my study

Miss Bramley was there and had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Sunday 13th Dine a S:H: [Shibden Hall] wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] by this day’s post

Monday 14th about 1 Miss Bag: called and lent me the Revenge by Dr Young

Tuesday 15th Dined at Mr A’s from 7 till 9 kissing, Miss A, in her room

In the night!!! began felix

Wednesday 16th In the morning Mr Nich: called and sent me physic in the afternoon

Thursday 17 - Dine a Mr A’s

Friday 18 – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
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Sat[urday] 19 – in the evening Mr Nich: [Nicholls] called but sent me no more physic

Sund[ay] 20th drank tea at Mr A’s – Miss A and Miss Bramley called
after Church to ask me but I did not see them being at
Northgate to my Aunt whilst my Uncle was at London

Monday 21st Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] always before I said Sunday wrote to
ER [Eliza Raine] / because I do write on this day / though I sent my letter
on Monday now I shall always set down the day on w[hi]ch I sent it

Tues[day] 22d My father and mother called at Darcey Hey I was to have
called after being at Mr K’s but Mrs G was ill in bed as
I had not got any lessson had a holiday and spent the
time at Mr A’s got home at 3 – had Mr and Mrs and Dam: Mitch-
ell to Dinner – Got my mantle to day and wore it to Mr K’s

Mr Farrar lent
me Athur
Shee’s Rhymes
on Art thin 12mo [duodecimo]

Wednes[day] 23d Mrs Mitchell called to read vs the copy of and letter from Conrade Coul
thurst to Mrs Mitchel Boothtown w[hi]ch she accidentally
Got hold of – In the morning got the harpsichord into my study –

Thursday 24th Dined at Mr A’s – Had a letter fr[om] ER [Eliza Raine]

Fri[day] 25 – Miss Bagnold drank tea w[i]th us – returned her the Revenge

Sat[urday] 26 - ER [Eliza Raine] write to my Mother –

I did not write before erroneously thinking one very ill – My Aunt Anne
dined with us I dined at Mr A’s Miss Bramley was there
Miss A Miss B and myself went all over the hours and romped a bit

Wednes[day] 30th – In the evening from 8 to 9 a violent storm to thunder and Lightening with hail and snow afterwards a charming moonlight night and in the morning a white world however the snow was gone in the course of the day

Thurs[day] Dec[em]b[er] 1st Dined at Mr A’s they made me an offer of going w[i]th them to Portsmouth if Mr John c[oul]d not come here

Fri[day] 2 – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]


Mon[day] 5th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Tues[day] 6th mane, 6, began, very, slightly called at Mr A’s st[ai]d till 5 –

Wednes[day] 7th Had a holiday called at Mr A’s st[ai]d till 4 –

Thurs[day] 8th – Had a holiday Mr Farrar began to attend John returned him Shee’s Rhymes of Art or the Remonstrance of a Painter thin 12mo [duodecimo] in 2 parts with a long preface both to the 1st and 2d part each preface is equally good the poem is written in a masterly style it abounds in apt and fine metaphor so as to be something sublime the verification is melodious and so well has Shee attended to the advice of Horace Est brevitate opus, ut currat sententia neu se Impedit verbis lassas onerantibus auris Concise your dictation let your sense be clear Nor with a weight of words fatigue the ear – Francis that where there is any taste but cannot be to use the authors words – that each eye is vacant and each heart is cold I am glad his reviewers have objected to his titular poverty” for in my opinion the title of his book
is as unworthy of the book as modern books are often unworthy
of their titles in short I have not seen any late poetry
which I have read with so much pride and as much pleasure as
Shee’s Rhymes on Art pride that we have such a writer
and pleasure because he has written mine and what
must be the sentiments of every admirer and well wisher
of the fine arts with Homer’s fire and Virgils melody
from the well merited promise which his work has
“of truant from the pencil of the lyre” ----
Did not get to Mr Alexanders till after 5 o clock called
at Mr Bradley’s as I went to get a watch mended and
st[ai]d ½ an hour at Mr A’s next Dr Disney and Mr Sam
Dyon played 4 rubbers and with Mr Sam my partner a game odd Whist with h[i]m
Won 3 bumper rubbers and lost the other (a single one) and the odd game
before old Doctor came who had been out and abid not
come home till 9 staid supper / also did Same who home
a little after 8 / and after that when Dr D went to see a patient
play[e]d again with Mr S.D. and lost a bumper on the whole won 2/6 – Miss A lent me a
book of Mrs Wilcoks lent to Miss Bramley had a letter fr[om] ER [Eliza Raine]

Fri[day] 9th - Copied from Mrs W’s book Gaffer Grey the Red Cross Knight
Lashed to the Helm – and the Banks of Chelmley
then called at Mr A’s to make an apology for not bringing back the book when I
came to Mr K’s according to promise

Sat[urday] 10th Returned by Sam in the morning going to Mr Ks Mrs W’s book
Wilson Agar Hunter Shaw D Mitchell drank tea w[i]th us
After tea cleaned my father’s pistols on the outside
and fired one 3 times th[e]n loaded it with ball and
put it my desk to be ready if ever wanted in a hurry

Mon[day] 12th Drank tea at Mr A’s played 3 rubbers at whist with Dr
Disney ag[ain]st Mr A and Miss Bramley six penny points – won 6d –
Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
Tues[day] 13th – Called upon Mrs Greenwood and her nieces Miss Greenwood's Fr's
Leeds finished my large moonlight piece which was begun in
October Tuesday 25th Drank tea at Northgate to paint my
Aunts bird house but it being dark before I c[oul]d begin
finding that my oil colours were not so suitable for so
Farrar mix up some p[ain]t prop[erly] on this account it was
Put of ----- for a day or two –

Wednes[day] 14th – Called at Mr A's after dinner and st[a]id till 6 then went to
Mr Farrars to order some orange and brown paint for my Aunt
it being dark unknowingly enquired the way of Mr Sam Dyson –
- accidentally meeting at his own back door he did not know
but asked to walk in whilst he enquired so I was much
obliged to him but it was too late to go in whilst he enquired
and I c[oul]d do very well –

Thurs[day] 15th Dined at Mr A's played 3 rubbers at whist 3 penny point with
Dr Disney ag[ainst] Mr Alex. And Miss Bramley – won 1/6 ----

Fri[day] 16th Went to my Aunt Listers at 12 paint[e]d her cage over w[i]th yellow din[e]d
there was too late for Mr K therefore had a holiday then called at Mr A's and
st[a]id about half an hour inst[e]d of being at Mr K's – at night my father
desired I w[oul]d never be out later than 4 in the evening –
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Sat[urday] Dec[em]b[er] 17th – with my mother’s leave dined at Mr A’s gave Miss Bramley a copy of Myra a song by Lord Lyttleton wrapped in a paper on which some poetry was written unfortunately st[ay]ed too long and did not get home till ½ past 5

Sun[day] 18th a very hard frost my mother thought it too cold for me to go to Church – my father made me agree never to go to Mr A’s after 1 in consequence of stay[in]g late on Saturday took a walk as far as Boothtown after dinner w[i]th my father constantly

Mon[day] 19th st[ay]d at Mr A’s ½ an hour and came home to dinner afterwards went with John to the Frenchmaster De Boo my Aunts and Miss Bagnold call[e]d in the morn[in]g and Miss Nicholls in the evening Miss Bramley shew[e]d me bracelets of her sister Eliza’s hair and put the lines I had given her with them as being what she most prized –

Tues[day] 20th st[ay]d ½ an hour at Mr A’s

Wednes[day] 21st Went to Northgate a little before 10 breakfasted there painted the Egyptian border on my Aunt’s cage quite to her satisfac[tion] dined there after stay[in]g an hour at Mr A’s between dinner and leaving Mr K Had a parcel from ER Eliza Raine by the Priestleys to the porter for bring[in]g it 6d - vespere ab[out] 9 began –

Thurs[day] 22d Was paint[in]g my Aunts cage and st[ay]d so late th[at] when I got to Mr K it was just dinner time therefore had no lesson but spent an hour at Mr A’s din[in]g at Northgate

Fri[day] 23d Mr K- broke up for the holidays spent an hour at Mr A’s was paint[in]g my Aunt’s cages and dined at Northgate

Sat[urday] 24th was paint[in]g my aunts cage till it wanted only a ¼ to 4 but after I left there st[ay]d half an hour at Mr A’s got home at 10 min[utes] before 5

Mon[day] 26th wrote to ER Eliza Raine finished my Aunt’s cage dined there –

Tues[day] 27th Mr Farrar gave me a lesson in the afternoon the last les[son] for the holidays he had not been to me the last week –

Wednes[day] 28th Miss A called in the morn[in]g I walked back with her but return[e]d ab[out] ½ past 3 to prepare for spend[in]g some time there and went again in the eve[nin]g to stay
this night and the next slept with Miss A all the others w[i]th Miss B

Fri[day] 30th Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Sat[urday] 31st Had a note from my moth[er] to say that yesterday afternoon as return[ing]g from Shib[den] Hall my father fell in the new bank and broke his wounded arm but was doing well came to see him and dined at home.

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Mon[day] 2d Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Wednes[day] 4th Fainted in the evening and quite tired Dr Disney with support and recov[erin]g me he think[in]g me in earnest call[e]d for cold water and Miss B think[in]g so too brought a cup full which in the scuffle was all thrown on me Mr and Miss A almost panic[ke]d me really faints

Fri[day] 6th Miss A Miss B and Mr John went to sup[per] at Mr Bramleys at the Shay st[ai]d till 12 I was to have gone but my father did not like me to be out so late I therefore st[ai]d at home w[i]th Mr A and play[e]d at all fours and cassino w[i]th him from ½ past 5 till 12 – Had a let[ter] fr[om] ER [Eliza Raine]

Sun[day] 8th The day being bad we did not go to Church

Mon[day] 9th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] left Mr A's Miss A came home with me I ought to have come in the morn[in]g but did not till 4 my father was much displeased at me my uncle Lister had been waiting for me all the morn[in]g to go to SH [Shibden Hall] I went ab[out] 5 –

Wednes[day] 11th came with my uncle and aunts aft[er] dinner to see my father st[ai]d tea and went at 7

Fri[day] 13th – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Sat[urday] 14th Walk[e]d w[i]th my A[un]t Anne to Horley Green met my mother as we went she called at SH [Shibden Hall] so did Miss A and Miss B walk[e]d with them and my mot[her] home where I din[e]d Miss B and I fell at the top of the bank owing to the slipperiness she graz[e]d her finger and got a little stick[in]g plaister at our house

Sun[day] 15th A fine day but the family up too late for Church

Mon[day] 16th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – walked home w[i]th my A[un]t A but did not stay dinner

Tuesday 17th Miss A and Mr John went to Hipperholme Miss B st[ai]d for them at SH [Shibden Hall] we
walked together to the Mitholme and backwards and forwards on the pump hill
waiting for Miss A and John but they returned up the fields and had called at the door
at SH [Shibden Hall] for us we met them at the top of the lane and running down to tell my Aunts
afterwards overtook them went to Halifax and dined with them

Wednesday 18th walked to Hipperholme with my Aunt A she called at Mr Hudson’s but I stayed at Mr Nicholls

Thursday 19th went home after dinner to meet Mr John, Miss A Miss B Dr Disney Mr
and Miss Ramsden and Mr Winn at supper – stayed at home all night

Friday 20th called at Mr As and went with them to dine at Dr Disney’s met Mr Edwards of Northowram
Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – called with my mother upon Mrs and Miss Dove who
were staying at Mrs Dickinsons – got to SH [Shibden Hall] again a little after 5 –

Saturday 21st walked with my Aunt A to Crow Nest Miss B and her brother overtook us on the flat

Sunday 22nd bad weather begins much snow on the ground

Monday 23rd wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Sunday 29th parcel from ER [Eliza Raine] by John Hunter

Tuesday 31st [Sams] gone my father dined at SH [Shibden Hall] and [missing words]
[February 1809]

Feb[ruary] 1809

Wed[nesday] 1st Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – dined at Mr As

Fri[day] 3d Dined at Mr As to take leave of Mr John

Sat[urday] 4th ---

Sun[day] 5th Rainy day did no go to church just bef[ore] tea rec[eive]d a curious pac[k]age of paper
fr[om] my A[un]t Lister amongst w[h]ich was a £1.0.0. bank of England Note

Mon[day] 6th Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – dined at Mr A’s drank tea Northgate thanked my A[un]t wrote a note yesterday

Wed[nesday] 8th Fast day went to the new Church after service called at Mr A’s saw
Miss B after an hour and half saw her home went home by the water side
And just got there in dinner time –

Thurs[day] 9th dined at Mr As gave Miss A the first les[son] since being at SH [Shibden Hall] –

Omitted Tues[day] Feb[ruary] 7th Mr Farrar came first time af[ter] the hol[iday] Miss A called walked back with her

Sun[day] 5th John Alexander went – Mon[day] 6th began Horaces Epist[le] to the Pisos –

Sat[urday] 4th Read the fragments in verse and prose of Miss Smith / Xend [Christened] Elizabeth / a
wonderful young woman who knew w[i]th English 12 Lang[uages]
na[t][a]: Dec[em]b[er] 1776 ob[iit] August 7th 1806 – this day Mr A complet[e]d his 70th year

Thurs[day] 2d went to Mr K for the 1st time after the holidays

Fri[day] 10th Dined at Mr A’s st[ai]d till a little af[ter] 7 – vespere ab[out] 7 capis

Sat[urday] 11th Dined at Mr A’s to meet Miss Bram[ley] st[ai]d till near 10 Miss B went at ½ p[a]st 8 went
w[i]th her to get on her things and talk[e]d w[i]th her / alone / upstairs better th[a]n ½ an hour

Sun[day] 12th dined at Shibden Hall
Mon[day] 13th Wrote to ER [Eliza] asked her Mr Hills address –

Tues[day] 14th Dined at Mr A’s told Miss A Frances’s and my conversat[ion] on Sat[urday] viz th[a]t Mrs Bram[ley] was prejudiced ag[ain]st me for go[in]g to see Cap[tain] Bourne’s pistols –

Thurs[day] 16th Dined at Mr As saw Miss B and her sister Mary Ann for a few minutes
Because I had got no lesson read to Mr K Juvenals 13th Satire off hand

Fri[day] 17th Dined at Mr A’s had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]
Mr Stocks took Mr Mitchell at our house just after breakfast Went to Mr K’s by the Shay down S[outh]gate past Calico Hall –

Sat[urday] 18th Dined at Mr As – went to Mr Ks by the Shay D[itt]o

Sun[day] 19th Dined at Miss Mellins Jane Watkinson and Miss Scatcherd there
Went to the new Church in the afternoon got home a little after seven

Mon[day] 20th Called at Mr As and at Miss Mel[lins] upon Miss Scatcherd left her the general
post to look at the Duke of York Love Letters and 2 of Profes[sor] Porsons Charades

Tues[day] 21st Miss B and her sister called therefore I was too late for Mr K and had a hol[i]day
Went a shopping with th[e]m to Edwards’s Garlicks and Milners all booksellers
and parted w[i]th th[e]m at their own gate. afterw[a]rs dined and spent the even[in]g at Mr As-
in the evening Mr Stocks took Mr Mitchell and his son Johnston to the Fleet prison

[crossed out text for Wednesday 14th – some illegible]
Wednes[day] 14th omitted – fast day – [John and I] went to the new Church in the
Morning called [?] Mr A’s saw Miss B there – st[ai]d till 8 and then [set]
her to the Shay walked home by the water side to dinner


Thurs[day] 23d Dined at Mr As walked w[i]th Miss A a little af[ter] 4 to Mr Gervases where she dined to meet the
Pollards Col[onel] W[illia]m Horton and Miss A drank tea at Mr W Rothwells and return[e]d to spend the
ev[ening] at Gervase’s

Fri[day] 24th Walked down S[outh]gate and p[a]st Cal Hall [Calico Hall] mean[in]g to go to Mr K’s by the Shay but first beyond
Hope Hall met the 2 Miss Bramleys turn[e]d and walk[e]d w[i]th them down S[outh]gate where we call[e]d
at Milners stat[io]n and up st[ree]t to Mr A’s w[i]th Miss B alone Mary Ann hav[in]g to call at Miss Deans
which detained her till we got to Mr As where I stayed as long as they did and parted with them at the end of Lord Street all which took till ½ past 1 when I went to Mr K — this was the 1st time Miss B appeared different from what they had always been since I knew her Miss A and I both observed the change

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Saturday 25th Dined at Mr As Mrs Lewis dined there but went soon after dinner Miss Dyson came in and stayed about ¼ of an hour Miss B was very cool and distant in the manner to us both but particularly to me however she condescended to see us to the door and walked us to the lower gates where after diligently avoiding to be on the same side with me she coldly and much Bramleighian hauteur shook hands with and saluted both as we went up the lane to go home by the New Church after a long silence I observed to Miss A that my mind must change or I should forfeit my ears if ever I set foot again within the doors of the Shay whilst the Bramleys lived there we each thought that Miss B had received and parted with us most ungraciously — when ushered into the dining room at the Shay Miss B was not in the room but on her entrance I rose and gave her my hand which she coolly received — Mr B scarcely said more to me than he hoped my mother was well and begged her compliments — after the pompous and icy reception from Miss B who had only a few days before in her kinder and more genial moments often said "let whatever be I shall always be the same to you I shall always love you the same I dined at Mr As — and also Gervase’s children Ellen and John and Jarvis’s Robert and Edward — Mr Bramley called in the evening upon Mr A — I went about 9 just after him.
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Mon[day] 27
After dinner went to ask Miss A to take a walk we went to King Cross – She drank tea at Dr Disney’s I went w[i]th her there St[a]il a few min[utes] but did not see Disney then came home about 8 this morn[in]g Miss Bramley and her sister Mary Anne set off w[i]th their father for town where each is to receive the last polish of elegance and the finishing stroke to a perfect education of the present day now it is as necessary for a fine Lady to finish her education in London as for a tradesman to serve an apprenticeship tempora mutantur! God be thanked that I have not been and that I am not about to go to th[i]s hot bed of fine Ladies - - Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Tues[day] 28
Dined at Mr A’s st[a]il till 6 com[in]g home met my father and mother who were to drink tea and spend they evening there told Miss A I shall sh[oul]d be glad to hear fr[om] her when in London

Wednes[day] March 1st
---- finished Horaces epistle to the Pisos – Miss Ramsden called and dined at Mrs As Miss A drank tea at Mrs Hoyle’s of the new Road to meet Miss Hoyle’s of the Royd

Thurs[day] 2d
dined at Mr A’s but came back soon after to see my Aunt who dined at our house Sam and I walked back w[i]th her drank tea and staid till 9 at S.H. [Shibden Hall] Had not time to give Miss A a lesson – she drank tea at Well head –

Fri[day] 3
dined at Mr A’s gave Miss A her lesson st[a]il till 8 play[e]d a rubber and a game of whist w[i]th Dr Disney ag[ain] Mr and Miss A- play[e]d 3d point – lost 1/6 – A letter from ER [Eliza Raine] My mother and I called upon Mrs and Miss Dove Miss Mullins and Miss Scatchard and Miss Alexander –

Sat[urday] 4
A packet of Eliza’s letters and notes by Mr Vaslet –

Sun[day] 5
In the afternoon wrote the following note to Mr Stopford by Mary – Miss Lister’s compli-ments to Mr Stopford and will be happy to see him to tea tomorrow Miss L being now desirous of having some instruction in singing and from what
was said when she last saw Mr Stopford at Mr Alexanders thinking he can have no objection to again attend her wishes to decide something on the subject – Copy of Mr S’s answer – Mr Stopford presents his compliments to Miss Lister is very happy to --- receive a summons to attend her – but tomorrow afternoon and till 8 or 9 o clock at night he has to attend upon 5 pupils he has at the Heath School and on Tuesday he will be absent the greatest part of the day and part of the evening upon some engagements he has in the Country including Mrs Edmundson’s at Mythom [Mytholm] Royd Bridge but if Wednesday evening soon after tea will be convenient to her he will be happy to attend upon her – Sunday evening – to which in reply I wrote another not saying that I myself was engaged on Tuesday and Wednesday evening but w[ou]l[d] be glad to see him on the morrow evening to supper as early as convenient and returned a verbal message that he w[ou]l[d] wait upon me –

Mon[day] 6th
Wrote a long letter to ER [Eliza Raine] mentioning my wish to respend a few months at the Manor for the purpose of having Mr Hill – waited supper till 10 – but Mr Stopford did not come at all –

Tues[day] 7
Mr, Dr Disney and Miss Alex. and my uncle and aunt Lister drank tea and supped with us

Wednes[day] 8
We all drank tea at Mr Knights Mrs Holdgate there of the field besides ourselves

Thurs[day] 9
Dined at Mr As – got to Shib[den] Hall at 7 in the evening to tea to meet Mr and Miss Ramsden my father and mother were there long before me my Aunts were not at my being so late

Fri[day] 10
Set off at 20 min[utes] before ten to call upon Mrs WH Rawson of Mill House sat with her an hour upstairs. She had been confined just a week before on my return home called at Darcey Hey sat an hour with Mrs G told her all about my seeing Cap[tai]n Bourne’s pistols and what Mrs Bramley thought of me for it and th[a]t she said “It was well I had met with a man of honor” at w[hic]h we both laughed told her also about my going to York this I told Mrs Rawson Mr Greenup shew[e]d me his german pistols which w[ou]l[d] kill point blanc at the distance of 100 y[ar]ds and carry 300 It was after 2 when I got back therefore did not go to Mr K’s
but dined at Mr Alex. went home at a ¼ to four then dressed and at ½ past 5 got to Mr Ramsden’s to go to the play with Miss R at first we went into the pit but afterwards Mr George Pollard came for us into his private stage box on the right --- as you go into the boxes I sat between Miss MacDowall and Miss Ramsden the play was the “Exile” and the Farce “the school for Authors” got home about past 11 – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] Mane 6 Began

Sat[urday] 11
As I forgot my money yesterday went to pay Mr Ramsden the 3s directly after I came from Mr Ks – Mr R w[ould] not have it sat hour and came home to dinner at 3 –

Sun[day] 12
Dined at Shibden Hall got home at ½ past 8 –

Mon[day] 13
Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – begun conic section with Mr K- Miss Burn of Lincoln’s Inn Fields was to married to GR Holme esquire of Clapham near London set off immediately after on a tour of Bath

 Tues[day] 14
---- Dined at Mr A’s –

Wednes[day] 15
Miss Bagnold called – walked w[i]th my father af[ter] dinner to see Mrs Mitchell came back at 4 and went to Murgatroids to order a pistol key then went to Mr A’s and when I found Mrs Bramley was to drink tea there staid tea and supper play[e]d 6 rub[bers] 6d point at first won 3/6 then lost this and 2s more Mrs B I thought very gracious

Thurs[day] 16
Dined at Mr A’s when I came home found a note from Miss G Mullins w[i]th a slice of Bride cake From Miss Burn that was now Mrs G Holme

Fri[day] 17 – Mr Farrar came in the afternoon and agreed to attend me on Friday afternoons as well as Tuesday morning Mr Stopford came the first time that I had seen him or heard
from him since Sunday 5th when I wrote him a note he made an excuse for not coming on the Monday gave on a lesson and agreed to attend me every Wednesday afternoon or evening he had supper Dr Disney came to supper then I went away at 11 –

Satur[day] 18
Drank tea and supper at Miss Mellins Mr Harry Mellin was there Miss Ramsden called to take leave walked back with her and hears th[at] Mr K was poorly

Sun[day] 19th
Went to the new Church with John young Wigglesworth and 1 of his father’s clerks Cadney and an officer were in the seat with us – after service spoke to Miss Ramsden and walked home with Mr Crosley - saw Mrs Bramley going into church - she spoke most graciously -

Mon[day] 20
Dined at Mr A[lexander]'s – after dinner Dr Disney fairly began to pay his addresses but I soon put a final stop to anything of this kind

Tues[day] 21
Dined at Mr A's - directly after tea left there and got to Miss Mellin where I went to take them some of Burn’s bride-cake to dream on at 7, s[ted] till 9 – Miss A[lexander] told me how much Mrs Bramley was pleased with me – she said Miss A called to her we/ Maria I saw Miss Lister on Sunday - Did you, Ma’am Mrs B - What a pity she does not pay more attention to her appearance for those who do not know her are so apt judge from this but you who see so much of her think nothing of it and indeed I do not wonder for she is such a pleasant companion that I myself could have listened to her till I had forgot it - Mr Stopford called to say he could not come on Wednes[day] but would come on Friday

Wednes[day] 22
Miss A called to take leave – went to Bradleys in the afternoon when I was going home went upstairs to see Mrs B - Captain Bourne came in to apologize for not returning my [move] in the street just before – talked a good while with him then went into his room to see his flageolet he
shew[e]d me some prints a greek testament etc he mentioned Mr Knight and asked[e]d if I thought he w[ou]l[d] take him for a pupil – I s[ai]d yes but promised to ask Mr K- the next day and call to tell him the answer. After having some plumbs [plums] and a little wine and water wish[e]d him goodnight - He said he sh[ou]l[d] be glad to see me often - I replied th[at] c[ou]l[d] not be but th[at] I w[ou]l[d] introduce him to my father and mother and my father w[ou]l[d] call upon him and then Captain B- might come and see me

Thurs[day] 23
My father thought my being with Captain B- in his room last night very thoughtless and imprudent and said th[at] now he c[ou]l[d] not call upon Captain B- for the world w[ou]l[d] think he wish[e]d to bring on a connection between us or at least that he encouraged me in doing such things etc, and that it w[ou]l[d] not do at all for me to ask Mr Knight if he w[ou]l[d] take Captain B-. My mother was much hurt and came to me at 7 in the morning to tell me all this I then said I must call and mention the whole to Captain B- - I did as I went to Mr K-'s Captain B- shew[e]d himself much gentleman and all passed off well - Dined at Mr A-s and told Miss A- of the whole affair – took leave of her she being to set off the next morning in the High Flyer w[ith] Mr Hudson (Mrs Gervase Alexander's brother) for Leeds where they were to take the Rockingham at 5pm on the Saturday for London -

Fri[day] 24
Directly after I came from Mr K-s went to Miss Mellins to ask them for Monday to drink and spend the evening – st[aye]d an hour – till John came to remind me that Mr Farrar came in the afternoon – walk[e]d back w[ith] him and met Captain B- [who] moved very graciously in passing - Sung a duett or two w[ith] Miss Scatchard – at 11 pm Miss A- set off for Leeds in the High Flyer - Had a letter from E.R [Eliza Raine]

Satur[day] 25
Between 6 and 7 went to Mr K-s to ask them to tea and supper on Monday they were engaged – staid and drank tea w[ith] them – James walk[e]d home with me a little before 9 Mr Stopford did not come Mr K- having asked me to excuse him and allow him to go there to tune the harpsichord -

Sun[day] 26
My aunt Martha dined w[ith] us – went about 5 to Hope Hall to ask Mr Mellin to drink tea and sup[er] with us the next day I found th[e]m at tea Mrs Currer asked me
to take a cup I did and st[aye]d till 7. Called at Mr A-'s as I came home he was at the Shay

Mon[day] 27
Called at Mrs Bradley’s then walk[e]d round by the Shay and Well Head and ---
--- Miss Mellin’s and staid with Mrs Harrison at Barum top an hour or
More - Got home at 6 – Miss G Mellin and Mr Mellin, Miss Scatchard and Miss
Bagnold were come they drank tea and supped and went away at 1/2 p[a]st 11

Bought a pair of gentlemen’s braces at Metcalfs almost opposite Bradley’s

Tues[day] 28
Mrs Mitchell dined w[i]th but went home to tea - Mrs Abbott Mrs Dickinson Miss Atkinson
Miss Dove and Miss Bagnold drank tea w[i]th - Miss B- st[aye]d supper we had a merry evening
I pretending myself in Love explaining it etc and giving some broad to Miss Dove and Mr
Drake which they took very good naturedly for by the way [?] I s[a]id was just enough
Mr Drake and Miss Dove being continually together and said by the town to be really about to make a match.

After making a sham call upon Mrs Wilcock, for we knew she was not at home having seen
her in King X Lane [King Cross Lane] (though she did not see us) took a walk on the Southgate and past the Shay
to Mr Ramsden’s where we parted -
[March-April 1809]

Wednes[day] 29
Mr came in the evening

Thurs[day] 30
Dined with Mr A-, afterwards called and sat 1/2 an hour w[i]th Mrs Harrison
then came home to dress for Mr Crossley’s where we drank and supped met only Miss Crosley

Fri[day] 31
Went by the old Church in the morn[in]g – drank tea and spent the evening with Miss Scatchard at Miss Mellins
Had a letter from E.R. [Eliza Raine] - Mr Farrar did not come in the afternoon

Got out of Lucian Mrs Mitchell came and drank tea w[i]th us - At 9 o’clock
sat down to write to E.R. [Eliza Raine] and finished a long letter before I went to bed ie 1/2 p 2.

Sun[day] 2d
Dined at Shibden Hall.

Mon[day] 3
Mr Farrar came at 9pm we went into Shibden dale to take Skout Hall [Scout Hall]
before we had done I was suddenly taken very ill being in a moment seized
with violent sickness proceeding from pain in the breast wh[i]ch occasioned loss
of sight for a few minutes and so great weakness th[a]t with difficulty I walked
home having hold of Mr L-’s arm when I got home wh[i]ch was ab[out] 12 I went to
bed directly and did not get up till near 3 I was then much better and took
a glass of wine it being my birthday Miss Bagnold Mrs Mitchell and my
Uncle Lister dined w[i]th us and Mr and Mrs Greenwood came to tea and w[i]th Miss B-
st[ay]ed supper Dr Disney came in by chance and spent the evening w[i]th us too
I consulted him, as a friend about bathing if I went to Scarborough and told
him how I was – he recommended a blister ab[out] every fortnight – bathing
and --- assa-foetida pills –

Wednes[day] 5
Called upon Mrs Geenup sat w[i]th her nearly 2 hours – Monday Tues[day] and today holiday

Thurs[day] 6
Began to learn how to sum a geometrical series

Tues[day] 4
Began to read Chambauds French Fables

Fri[day] 7
Had a letter from E.R. [Eliza Raine] – Began Sophocles’ Antigone the 1st time I had ever read any of this author

Sat[urday] 8
Dr Disney called in the morning he said as friend to inquire afer me --- saying that there were two or three things w[hi]ch he c[oul]d recommend my mother asked him what they were and he wrote me a prescription for assa-foetida pills – In the afternoon went to ask the Crossleys to tea and spend the evening on Monday sat w[i]th them an hour then went to Miss Mellins to ask Miss Scatchard and drank tea there in my way home called to ask Mr A but he was not home began to learn to sum a geometrical series –

Mon[day] 10
Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – Had a letter from Miss Alexander in which she tells me of Miss Bramleys strangely altered conduct to herselft and family and to me never once enquiring after me and when Mrs Hodgson said to Miss B “Your friend Miss lister is going to Scarbro’ [Scarborough] for her health” “Is she indeed” replyed th[i]s amiable and immutable young lady with all imaginable coolness and indifference – My sister Marian went to Miss Meullins – Mr and Mrs and Mr Wm Crossley Mr Winn and Miss Scatchard drank tea and supped w[i]th us Mrs Alex. and Dr Disney drank but went away before supper I went to Miss Mellins to walk back w[i]th S and tell th[e]m not to send for her but going up the North Parade missed her – st[aye]d with Miss M’s not getting home till after 7 when tea was began and conseque[n]tly c[oul]d not change my dress but went in as I was – In the morn[in]g 1/4 after 7 walked up the old Bradford to Catherine Slack and came back the new road –

Tues[day] 11
Coepi 1/4 post septem [latin: started 1/4 past seven]

Wednes[day] 12
Mr Stopford came to tea and staid till near 12

Thurs[day] 13
Dined with Mr A came home at near five then went w[i]th my fath[er] and mother to
drink tea Mr Mr Greenwards

Fri[day] 14
Wrote to Mrs Holme – began permutation w[i]th Mr K

Sat[urday] 15
Put my letter to Mrs H into the Office drank tea and staid till near
9 at Mrs Doves – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Sun[day] 16
Rainy day did not go to Church – Dr Disney called in the morn[in]g to see me

Monday 17
Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] forgetting to before went with it to the Office after I came fr[om] Mrs K’s
Met the mail and ask[e]d the maid to take it but because I had not money enough
In my pocket to pay the postage he refused and bid the driver drive on I th[e]n put the
Letter into the Office and it w[oul]d go by the next post

Wed[nesday] 19
Dined at Mr A’s met Mrs Whiteall there who arrived yesterday evening Mr Stop[ford] came

Thurs[day] 20
Mr A and Dr Disney drank tea w[i]th us the latter staid supper began surds w[i]th Mr K-

Sat[urday] 22
Wrote to Mr Mitchell at the Fleet inclosing £2 by Mr Spence Lin[en]. Draper whom my mother
asked to take Mrs Mitchell a packet

Sun[day] 23
Dan [Daniel] Mitchell dined w[i]th Mrs M and Mr Wiggleworth drank tea w[i]th us

Mon[day] 24
Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]
[April-May 1809]

Tues[day] 25 Drank tea at Miss Mellins

Wednes[day] 26 Mr Stopford came in the evening

Thurs[day] 27 Sent by Marian in the morn[in]g the following note to Miss Scatcherd
With compliments my dear Miss S to you
to day instead of three we dine at two
Prose is so common and become so old
Politest compliments in verse are told
Thus what is old gives place to modern rules
As Ladies pockets do to ridicules
Mr Alexander and Mrs Whiteall Dr Disney and Miss Scatcherd dined w[i]th us
Mr A and Mrs W being previously engaged went to Mrs Hoyle's New Road to tea
Dr Disney and Mr S staid till 12 the Dr walked home w[i]th Miss S ----

Fri[day] 28 Drank tea at Miss Mellins got there at six and st[ai]d till 10 Mr Currer and Mr Mellin were there th[i]s was the last time I saw Miss S before she went Mr Mitch[ell] sup[ped] with us

Sat[urday] 29 Wrote to Miss Alex. Mr Edwards and Miss Dove called to clear up a long Story of Mrs Dickinson’s telling to the prejudice of the Doves in consequence of a quarrel with Mrs D the other morning drank tea at Mr Stopfords met there Mrs Currer Mrs Stead Miss Smith Miss G Mel[lings] 2 Miss Swainsons Miss Bramley from Leeds and Miss Kershaw who are both at Miss Mellins And Mr Mellin

Sun[day] 30 My father went to Weighton dined at Shibden Hall my Aunt Martha was very ill and had been for some days – my Aunt Martha very ill –

Mon[day] 1 May Miss Bagnold called – had a holiday –

Tues[day] 2 My letter to ER [Eliza Raine] went to day being forgotten yesterday wrote my First declamation – Mrs Spence brought me a letter from Mrs Mitchell
Began Greek ex[er]cises

Wed[nesday] 3 Mr Stopford did not come the Heath boys 2 Wilsons 2 Shaws
2 Michells [Agar] and Hunter drank tea w[i]th us – Miss Dove called – Mr
Bottomley lent me a clarionet [clarinet] and book –

Thurs[day] 4 Dine at Mr As

Fri[day] 5 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] answered in the evening and sat up
Writing it till almost 3 in the morning – Got Mr Laurin’s Newton.

Sat[urday] 6 Sent my letter to ER [Eliza Raine] – my mother and I drank and supped at Mr Crossleys met a
Mrs Goodan and her daughter about 6 years old Miss Crossley and Dr Alexander st[ai]d 12

Sun[day] 7 Dined at Shibden Hall Mrs Wetherhead drank tea there Sam and I walked
home w[i]th her – my Aunt Martha no better – coepi vespere. 8.
Fine warm weather began the first we have had this year

Mon[day] 8 – Had a short letter from ER [Eliza Raine] answer[e]d it by return of post – Mrs Mitchell
supped w[i]th us and went away at 12 about ½ past when Sam was in bed and I was
just getting in my mother came in a violent agitation to tell us that us
that there was a man in the garret and Mary and he were asleep together on the
bed upon this Sam slipped on his breeches and shoes and I with nothing on but
my night jacket over my shift my stockings and night cap on took the
pistols loadened w[i]th ball w[hi]ch were ready under my pillow and a sword
went w[i]th him and my mother upstairs he took the candle my mother scolded
and threatened though interceding for the lad and Mary and I stood ready to put into execution what seemed really
necessary after 1/4 of an hour we got the lad and Mary and Nanny into the kitchen
at last after a long examination having learnt the lad’s name and trade
his name Thomas Spencer by trade a Whitesmith aged 18 after much begging
and praying and falling upon knees we let him go on condition th[at] he
sh[oul]d be called up the next day when we thought all was settled
Mary who by the way we found out was worst of the three servants came to tell us that as we had sent away one lad we might as
well send away the other too so then we had as it were the whole farce over
again however this lad was only just 16 and proved to have been led away by
the other not knowing any of the girls and never having been at the house
before except once to bring Sam a waistcoat w[hi]ch he had made being apprentice
to –
So we let him go on the same condition as the other and about 3 o clock went
to bed quietly –
Tues[day] 9 My father came home from Weighton by the mail Mary and the other girl Ann Hirst who had only been here a day or two left in consequence of the affair on Monday night — Dined at Northgate borrow[e]d Terence and A help to Elocution

Wednes[day] 10 Mr Stopford came to tea and st[ai]d supper — Mrs G Greenup called —

Thurs[day] 11 — Dined at Mr A’s — drank tea and supped at Miss Mellins Bought Comitatus Anglorum p[ai]d 3s of Miss Grace — after supper Miss Tern behav[e]d to me very ungenteely w[hi]ch I determined --- not to forget -
[May-June 1809]

Fri[day] 12 – A letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – Mr Farrar did not come – walked to Shibden Hall after tea my Aunt Martha no better

Sat[urday] 13 Mrs Mitchell and Mr Gibb drank tea and st[ai]d supper w[i]th us Mr G a good natural poet like his compositions and asked him for some of them w[hi]ch he promised to send me

Sun[day] 14 My Uncle and Aunt Lister called here in the carriage soon after dinner And took me to Shibden Hall my Aunt Martha and my A[un]t Anne went as far As Hipperholme lane ends in the carriage my Aunt Martha seemed in rather better spirits but in the evening after we went felt herself much fatigued after her exertion Had a letter from Miss Alexander

Mon[day] 15 Dined at the Northgate in the evening went a shopping w[i]th my moth[er] bought some nankin at Spencer's for my gayters – Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine]

Tues[day] 16 Mrs Mitchell dined w[i]th us – Mr Hutchinson measured me to alter alter my mother's habit to fit me Mr Alexander came soon after dinner staid tea play[e]d 2 rubbers at whist both w[hi]ch he won and went away at 9 –

Wed[nesday] 17 dined at Mr As he being engaged on Thursday at a meeting of the commissioners of the prop[e]rt[e]y tax. Had a letter from Mrs Holme Eliza wrote to my mother in answer to her invitati[on] to go w[i]th her to Scarbro' [Scarborough] my father and Uncles rec[eive]d letters and mour[n] rings fr[om] Mr Bridges on account of the death of Mrs Lister of Maningham Mr Stop[ford] came did not stay supper

Thurs[day] 18 Miss Dove called – Dr Disney supp[e]d w[i]th us st[ai]d till ½ p[ast] 11 –

Fri[day] 19 Finished Sophocles’s Antigone hav[in]g read the chorusses twice over Mr Nicholls Called and took my mother to Shibden Hall w[i]th him in his new gig my father and I walked up my Aunt Martha was in tolerable spirits was rather more free from pain th[a]n when I last saw her but s[ai]d she felt herself gradually weaker every day My uncle very – poorly being seized yesterday night after my A[un]t Anne went to bed w[i]th a attack of sickness such as he has frequently had and w[hi]ch sometimes continue a week or a fortnight – after tea a violent storm of thunder lightening and rain came on w[hi]ch lasted about an hour at about ¼ after 8
when we set off home a fine calm evening Mr Farrar came but being so very busy
I excused him giving us a lesson and told he not come till after the fair and th[en] some new plan c[oul]d be settled

Sat[urday] 20 Begun Horace’s Satires – Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] pas[se]d by Mr Radcliffe of Smithhouse
Miss Dove and Mr Edward’s of Northowram drank tea w[i]th us Mr E promised
To shew me how to make a balloon –

Sun[day] 21 – Mrs Mitchell and Daniel dined w[i]th us wrote a letter to Mr Mitchell which Mrs M
w[ou]l[d] send w[i]th a box of oat cakes etc going to London lent my Uncle Comitatus Anglorum

Mon[day] 22 Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] – An Oratoria at Coley Chapel no one went fr[om] our house but my father had a holiday

Tues[day] 23 Got up at ½ past 3 to see the local malitia mach [militia march] out of the town for Pontefract
Miss Bagnold called – Mrs Wetherhead drank tea and supped w[i]th us had a holiday
called upon Miss Dove –

Wednes[day] 24 – Mr Knight got Neilson’s Greek exercises for me – Mr Stop[ford] came in the even[in]g st[ai]d supper

Thurs[day] 25 Dined at Mr A’s – began to write greek exercises –

Fri[day] 26 Mr Stopford came to tune the harpsichord st[ai]d tea but went directly after –
we were ask[e]d to drink tea at Northgate to meet the Prestons of Green Royd
my mother was poorly and I w[ou]l[d] not go so th[a]t only my father went – began to turn into
Latin detached pieces not out of any exercise books did pretty well –

Sat[urday] 27 Finished read[in]g through Chambauds fables. began th[e]m April 4th

Sund[ay] 28 Mrs Mitchell and Daniel dined w[i]th us –

Mon[day] 29 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – Dr Disney called after tea to ask Marian to see his daughter

Tues[day] 30 Miss Atkinson call to ask us for Friday walked to Shibden Hall directly after
dinner staid and got home a little after 7 to meet Miss Bagnold who drank
tea and supped w[i]th us. Bought at Holden and Dowsons Ossian 4s Popes 4s works and Gray Goldsmith Falconer and Somerville bound together 2/6

Wednes[day] 31 Mr Stopford drank tea w[i]th us I had not a lesson he was tuning the instrument
Thurs[day] June 1st Dined at Mr A's – Dr Disney drank tea and supped w[i]th us wrote Miss G Mellin a note in rhyme to ask some of the young ladies –

Fri[day] 2 Drank tea at Mr Drakes met 2 Miss Thompsons and their brother the Dr –

Sat[urday] 3 Walked w[i]th my father and Sam to Elland to see the alterations they were making in the bridge called upon Col[onel] Nicholl but he was out 2 Miss Levetts and 2 Miss Robinsons from Miss Mell[in] drank tea w[i]th us Mr Stopford came to tune the harpsichord drank tea and supper w[i]th us Mr Mitchell also supped w[i]th us John Marian and I walked home w[i]th Miss Mellins ladies I made an apology for their being rather beyond their usual time – bought at Holden's and Dowsons Clarkes’ Suetonius 2s Florus 2d Suanderson's [Saunderson] Lectures in Manuscript 4s Aristotles Logic in Latin 1 Shenstons prose and poetic works 4s Pope Alex[ander] on religion In Italian 6d and a Dutch edition 12mo [duodecimo] of Newton’s math[ematical] discov[eries] 1/6 vesperi 9 coepi -
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Sun[day] 4 Rainy morn[in]g did not got to Church – Drank tea at Shibden Hall Miss Nicholls called there after tea and walked back w[i]th us Mr and Mrs Morley drank tea at hour house

Mon[day] 5 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – Did not go to Mr K’s –

Tues[day] 6 Had another rather short letter from ER [Eliza Raine] bought at Holden’s and Dowson’s Dryden’s Virgil 4s – Aulus Gellius 2s – Patrick’s Geog[raphia]. Aut[iqua]. 2s – two very small books one Lucian’s Dialogues and the other Aelian at a shilling each

Wed[nesday] 7 Mr Stopford finish[e]d tuning the instrument and gave me a short lesson drank tea and supped w[i]th us Miss called in the afternoon to tell my mother about a servant we asked her to stay tea she c[ould] not because Mrs Frobisher was to drink tea at their house but she promised to come between seven and eight she did and st[aid] supper –

Thurs[day] 8 Dined at Mr As drank tea and supped at Miss Mellins began to look Euclid over again by myself

Fri[day] 9 Wrote a shortish letter to ER [Eliza Raine] my father and mother drank tea at Mr Morley’s after our tea I went to Holden’s and Dowson’s and bought Francis’s Horace revis[e]d by Pye 4s Zimmerman on Solitude 4/6 Melmoth’s Cicero’s letters to his friends 2 vol[u]me 8s –

Sat[urday] 10 Mr Gibb called in the morning and came again to drink tea w[i]th us but went ab[out] 8.

Sun[day] 11 drank tea at Shibden Hall my Aunt Martha rather better had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Mon[day] 12 Mr Holden got me fr[om] Lon[don] Carey’s Prosody

Tues[day] 13 Had a holiday Mr and Mrs Greenwood called after tea so did Miss Bag[nold] and staid supper

Wed[nesday] 14 My Uncle Lister drank tea w[i]th us so did Mr Stop[ford] and staid supper. Wrote to Miss A a long letter

Thurs[day] 15 Dined at Mr As

Fri[day] 16 Mr Alexander called in the morn[in]g and gave a note from Miss A send a private hand, the contents of which were, is it possible?
“Out of sight, out of mind?” Surrey Street June 9th 1809 – Dr Disney
Called in the afternoon to give me a written bill of Miss Edwards’s
musical performance – After tea my father and I walked to Northowram
to Mr Edwards’s found them at tea asked Mr Edwards to dine with us on Tuesday
to meet Mr Alexander and thanking him for my balloon came away nine –

Sat[urday] 17 Mrs Bagnold called to shew me some of Horners drawings 2 were views
taken at the Lakes in colours another was one taken somewhere else in Indian
Ink and the rest were 2 drawings from a bust in different positions his landscapes
Were very well but I did not think he seemed to have thoroughly studied light and
shadow his heads were by much the best – these were good.

Sun[day] 18 After church called at Mr Crosleys Mr C was better and likely to recover soon
from his late severe Rheumatic attack drank tea at Mr Greenwoods I
meant only to call upon Miss Greenwood / Maria / fr[om] Leeds but however was
persuaded to stay tea and walk with them to Burke’s Hall to see the
family and escort Miss Betty Greenwood / fr[om] Leeds / home young Ramsbotham
walked back with us but would not walk in I staid supper and got home about 10 –

Mon[day] 19 Sam and I walked to Shibden Hall to tea met my father there and all returned
Home together. My Aunt was worse than when I last saw her –

Tues[day] 20 Mr Edwards of Northowram Mr Knight Mr Alexander and my 2 Uncles dined with us – Bernard Maguire a private in the 6th D.G [Dragoon Guards] whose wife had the
misfortune to break some of her ribs and be otherwise much hurt when
their division marched through Halifax a few days before in consequence
of which he was allowed to stay at Hx [Halifax] to attend her and on which account we got
to know him gave me my first Lesson in the broad sword exercise
Dr Disney came to tea and staid supper the rest went away a little after 8 –

Wed[nesday] 21 Miss Bagnold drank tea with us Mrs Mitchell came to supper Mr Stopford
came about 9 thinking it almost too late to have a lesson or if I had
one it would only be the beginning of Mr S is often coming late I had no
lesson but asked Mr S to stay supper which he did we all parted about ½ past 11

Thurs[day] 22 Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] Mr Knight broke up for the holidays dined at Mr A’s
bought of him Cicero on the perfect Orator translated by George Barnes Barrister pt [pretium] 3/
Friday 23 The soldier gave me a 2d lesson Miss Bagnold to lend me a 12mo [duodecimo] vol[ume] entitled Excentric Biography – After tea walked to Darcey Hey got home again about 10

Saturday 24 John and I got each of us a wooden sword fr[om] our neighbour the joiner – Began to write Chambaud's Exercises

Sunday 25 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] – Mrs Wetherhead called after tea and Marian walked w[i]th her to Shibden Hall my Aunt was rather better than she was on the Friday or Saturday before
January 1810

Mon[day] 15 January 1810 Spent the morn[ing] w[i]th Miss Marsh in Micklegate / York / receive[d] her brothers letters etc after dinner read my father’s letter w[hi]ch mentioned John’s dangerous illness and desired me to come home by the mail at night about ¼ before 12 took leave of my friends at Mr Duffins and set off

Tues[day] 16 Got home a little before 7 found dear John extremely ill but perfectly sensible and strong enough to talk a little and ask me how I had gone on at York amongst other things he said “I’m afraid they have spoilt you” poor dear fellow he was not long to fear so – Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] and walked with my father to Shibden Hall

Wed[nesday] 17 John no better if anything rather weaker and worse called at Morleys To ask if he had sent right medicine called for a few min[utes] w[i]th my Uncle Lister at Northgate –

Thurs[day] 18 mane coepit Had a letter fr[om] ER [Eliza Raine] John as well as yesterday called upon Miss Alex[ander] with her on my mother’s account upon Mrs Sam Lea and I and at Darvey Hey as I walked past w[i]th Miss A and Miss Dyson sat up with John and Sam

Fri[day] 19 John gradually weaker and worse my father and I sat up w[i]th John he had a very bad night and was so much worse that

Sat[urday] 20 I wrote to SH [Shibden Hall] and Northgate to say we did not think he could continue many hours wrote the same account to ER [Eliza Raine] Sam and I went to bed at 5 in the afternoon and got up at one next morning and sat with John my father going to bed when we got up –

Sun[day] 21 Sam and I went to bed at 5 – that we might get up at one between 6 and 7 in the evening John had a violent attack of his complaint which lasted about an hour he was better afterwards and from one till day when we were w[i]th him slept well and was composed

Mon[day] 22 Had consolatory letters from ER [Eliza Raine] and Miss Marsh they supposing poor John already dead from my letter to ER [Eliza Raine] on Saturday Dined w[i]th Miss A who drank tea and spent the evening at Mrs Prescots Cal. Hall [Calico Hall]
I got home about 6 Mr Knight called John having wished to see him
Mrs Mitchell drank tea with us the Doctors gave us hopes of John
he seemed better upon the whole My Aunt Lister came in the
afternoon to see him Sam went to bed at four and I at eight
we both got up at one and staid with John he had a pretty goodnight

Tues[day] 23 At a little after nine o clock the Doctors gave more hopes and thought poor John
so much better that they thought there was no need of coming
again till evening since I got home they have always been
3 times at least every day my father began to have hopes of
John but the Doctors had scarcely left us and we had not got
our breakfast when he changed for the worse / as my mother
told us who was with alone / at about two he continued getting
worse all day but from 4 till near 5 when I was with him
whilst the rest were at dinner he was quite rational
and I thought rather better about 5 Sam and I went to bed
we got up between 12 and 1 and went to John my mother had
left the camp bed the night before and my father slept
there whilst we sat up

Wed[nesday] 24 from 1 till about ½ past 2 after taking 2/3 of a tumbler of cold
water John slept very composedly breathing very well and seemed
quite easy between ½ past 2 however and 25 minutes to 3 his breath
changed to be more deathly so much so th[at] I immediately felt
it at my chest his breathing became intermittent and
he frothed a little at the mouth which caused a little rilling
but this was immediately dissipated by wiping his mouth
which only needed wiping two or three times this intermission
of his breathing I judged from 4 to 5 seconds waiting some
time and finding John no better we called up my father at
7 minutes to three he got up to see the last moments of our dear
ever to be remembered and ever to be regretted John who died
without a struggle or a groan at 5 minutes after three
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death seemed to have no agonies for him he closed his own eyes and
mouth and died with his hands across his breast –
Alas dear boy! Snatched in the bloom of years
from carnal evils in a world like this
John leav'est to us below a world of tears
to gain thy self a world of lasting bliss
John would have been 15 the      of February following –

Thurs[day] 25 Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] to tell her of John's death dined at Shibden Hall
My Uncle Lister came to see John every day during his illness
since I came home and my uncle Joseph every day but
the tuesday before his death –

Sat[urday] 27 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] in which Miss Marsh wrote the first
page say how very ill Eliza had been but th[at] she was th[at]en better

Sun[day] 28 Wrote to Miss Marsh W[illiam] Knight drank tea and Mrs Mitchell supped w[i]th us

Mon[day] 29 Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] and called at S.H. [Shibden Hall] with my father –

Tues[day] 30 – between eleven and twelve poor John was interred in the family
burying place at the old church his coffin was placed upon
my Aunt Martha's my two uncles my father and Same were the
who lately lived at the Northgate his half brother Robert who
now lives there the joiner and two of his young men
breakfasted here and attended as bearers the corpse
being carried the whole way the day was fine and rather frosty

Wed[nesday] 31 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine] saying she was better

Thurs[day] Feb[ruary] 1 Dined with Miss Alexander and drank tea at Northgate
Miss A drank tea at Mrs Hoyles new road I escorted her there –

Fri[day] 2 – Dr Alexander called my father and I walked almost to Hipper-holme [Hipperholme] dined at Shibden Hall
Sat[urday] 3 Mr Knight drank tea with us –

Sun[day] 4 called at Shibden Hall with my father after dinner –

Mon[day] 5 Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] walked out dined and drank tea with Miss A Disney lent me the 2d vol[ume] Fawcitts sermons of the old jury

Tues[day] 6 Had a box from York with a new black broad cloth pelisse and bonnet a letter From Miss Marsh 2 sheets from ER [Eliza Raine] etc

Wed[nesday] 7 Wrote a long letter to ER [Eliza Raine] and to Mrs Duffin –

Thurs[day] 8 Called at SH [Shibden Hall] and walked with my father and uncle Lister past White Hall

Fri[day] 9 Sat a couple of hours with Miss A she was very ill with too great exertion the day before and want of sleep the day turned out wet got home in dinner time

Sat[urday] 10 Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Sun[day] 11 My father and Same went to Church the first time after poor John’s death the day being wet and unpleasant my mother Marian M Midgley staid at home [put] on a blister in the evening on my breast

Mon[day] 12 Wrote to ER [Eliza Raine] fixing to return to York tomorrow fortnight Feb[ruary] 27 – wrote a note to Miss A to enquire after her health by Mary Midgley by whom I returned Mrs Alexander’s letters lent me by Dr A to Miss A at her request but had no note or message from her Mary fr[om] mistake coming away immediately

Tues[day] 13 Had a note fr[om] Miss A in answer to mine of yesterday I answered it by the little girl who brought it and by her returned Bingleys tours in N[orth] Wales and another small work – Essays on 2 or 3 subjects author unknown about 9 in the ev[ening] was seized w[i]th an attack at my breast was ill some time and slept in Marian’s room to be near my father and mother

Wed[nesday] 14 Much better got up at 2 o clock

Thurs[day] 15 quite better got up at nine Dr Alexander and Mr Morley called my Uncle
Lister] Aunt Anne Miss Atkinson and Miss Alexander walked with her to the Wards end and back again through the town as far as Butter’s shop
Had a letter from ER [Eliza Raine]

Friday 16 Dined with Miss Alexander Mr Lund and his 2 daughters arrived at Mr G Alexander’s – left Miss at ten and in a sedan chair paid therefore 2s for coming home on four borrowed legs when my own 2 would have done better
February 1810

Mane coepi

Sun[day] 18 – My father and Sam only went to Church the rest st[ai]d at home it being a snowy day

Mon[day] 19 Had a letter fr[om] ER [Eliza Raine] Mrs Abbot called and Mrs John Lees w[i]th Miss Alexander

Tues[day] 20 My father and mother dined at Northgate to meet my Uncle and Aunt and Mrs Hunter
Mr Morley called after dinner

Wednes[day] 21 Breakfasted at Shibden Hall my father mother Sam and Marian
Dined there Mr Wigglesworth came to tea and we all staid supper

Thurs[day] Called w[i]th my mother upon Mr Sam Lees and Miss A who was out
th[e]n walked to Darcey Hey dined there drank tea with Miss A as also did
Miss Mary Thompson came home between 8 and 9 to meet Dr D Alexander
who supped with us – Miss A lent me Veneronis Italian Grammar
June 1810

June Friday 17th Miss Alexander went to Thurnham

Tuesday 21st Began mane

Wednesday 22d Eliza came along with H and C Priestly of White Window

Thursday 23d Mr Knights school broke up –

Friday 24th the fair day I went to see Potosi’s shew of wild beasts

Sunday 26th called upon Burn after the evening Church at Miss Mellins who came there the Tuesday before

Monday 27th Began to remove from King Cross to Ellen Royd – Haley Road

Wednesday 29th Brun returned my call in the afternoon

Thursday 30th dined at Shibden Hall mane 7 Elisa [ieself?]
instrumental band the performance was divided into
2 acts the first consisting of sacred the second of profane
music the first and almost only female singer was a Miss
Tankard an inhabitant of the village who sung very decently
and had been a principal performer at an Oratorio given a short
time before in Coley Chapel by the Northowram singers and musicians
the music went off well the first sacred piece was the dieing Xtion
to his Soul [Dying Christian to his Soul] between the acts we had an abundant variety of
confectionary and about 20 kinds of excellent foreign wines
in about ½ an hour or ¾ the music was resumed but the young
people expecting a dance and the evening coming it being
between 6 and 7 second part after it was nearly half performed
was concluded by O Nanny wilt thou gang wi[th] me besides the
room in which the collation was served there were two front
rooms opened for our reception one of which more particularly
was finished and furnished in a style of ---- taste and
elegance perhaps unrivalled in this neighbourhood the room
was a moderate size with a large bow window to which a handsome
fire place was opposite the floor was covered --- with an
elegant carpet corresponding with the buff Turkish couches and
the drapery which was most tastefully hung with the white
muslin curtains the walls were finished in the foreign
style being alternately pannelled [panelled] the body of the pannel [panel]
painted a sky blue and the carved wood of the [edges?] white and ------
------ papered with a beautiful French
paper which with the neat cornish [cornise] at the top had altogether
a novel and striking effect those of the company who
preferred it as the day was partic[ular]ly favourable had benches in front of the house which situated
on the summit of a lofty hill commands a fine and exten-
sive view of the beautifully picturesque surrounding
country – As soon as the music had ceased and the instru-
ments were removed the young gentlemen quietly rol[l]ed up the dense
carpets and made away with every opposing chair and table
and touching the fair fingers of their lovely partners seemed then
more acute than that of hearing the vibration of musical
chords and their toes had long seemed in readiness to bound
across the yielding plank – about 20 couples danced 10 in
each room one party was led by Dr Disney Alexander and Miss
Edwards niece to our hostable hostess the other by young Mr W[illia]m Moores
of Brock Well and Miss Harriet Dyson of Willow Hall who fame
makes the dear intended of Mr M. My Aunt went between 7 and 8
and Miss Bagnold returned with about nine and John and I set her
home the whole of company I understand did not separate till
after 2 in the morning those who staid so late partook of a good and
sociable supper – the company consisted of about 60 of our most respectable people

Tues[day] 27 Soon after dinner Dr Disney called to ask if we had got well home

We[nesday] 28 Miss Bagnold spent the evening with also Mr Stopford

Thurs[day] 29 Dined at Mr Alexander’s after dinner went with Mr A to his son
Mr Louis Alexander’s sale met there with Mr George Greenup who
had come to bid at Maclins [Macklin] bible which however was sold to young
Bottomley the music master for £36 or Guineas Mr G and I came out
together and he persuaded me to walk with him to Darcey Hey
I did drank tea there and about nine he walked home with me
when I came in Miss Bagnold was waiting to see me I had before
particularly wished her to come early in the afternoon as she
promised to cut out my night shifts and help my mother with
them who was justly angry at my inconsistency and rudeness
however I got over it and like myself bungled into it and bungled out
Wrote to
ER [Eliza Raine]

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Fri[day] 30 My Uncle lister and Aunt Anne my father mother and I in 2 chaises paid the bride visit to Mr and Mrs W[illia]m Priestley of Light Cliffe we met only Mr Dobson of Hipperholm there and her 2 daughters they came back as far as white hall with us in our chaise and Mrs D in my uncles

Sun[day] July 1 Drank tea at S.H [Shibden Hall]

Tues[day] 3. Dr Disney and Miss Bagnold spent the evening with us

Wed[nesday] 4. Dined at SH [Shibden Hall] my father came to tea and we went home soon after my Aunt seemed a little better than she had been a day or two before at least whilst I saw her soon after I got home went to call upon Mrs Dickinson found Miss Bagnold there on that account Mrs D’s supper being ready and she asking me to stay stayed and was in an odd humour and great spirits soft and sweet flowed the current of my words towards Miss B it was a good deal after nine when I got home after trying on a pair of half boots from my shoemaker Mr Taylor and getting some Rum and water I went to bed –

Thurs[day] 5. Got up pretty early in the morning and made my things ready for packing which my father did for me after break-fast then after all being ready set off with my mother about twelve o clock in a chaise for Scarbro’ [Scarborough] we had Richard Spencer with us as a servant he rode on the Dickey and the postillion [postilion] on his horses the morning was hazy and cold --- so much so that even at this season of the year my mother found a
thick great coat very comfortable and not at all too warm
the clouds particularly on clayton heights were dark and
heavy and seemed about to drench us with rain however
it kept off and after an hour and 3 quarters drive we
stopped at the Talbot Inn in Bradford here we changed
horses and in the course of half an hour we saw ourselves
comfortably reseated in a neat roomy chaise but unfortunately
there was no Dickey and Richard was obliged to sit on the
trunks with no other protection from the cordage than his
bags which however were not sufficient to protect a certain
most honourable member from repeated insult the
poor man whose unmentionables had likewise suffered
much and unable to bear more had given way seemed not
a little unfortunate in his situation nor did his countenance
fail to express to us at every jolt half excoriated state of its hono[u]rable
relative but as we are differently affected by the misfortunes
of others I confess I could not but indulge the inclination of
my visible faculties – In about an hour and a half we reached
Leeds and ordered a mutton chop at Greaves’s hotel whilst this
was preparing I called at Mr Trants and my mother went to Lacy for
some pots at a neighbouring shop – soon after we sat down to an
excellent mutton chop broiled to a nicety after this my went to
see Mr and Mrs Trant and desired me when the carriage was ready
to call for her which I did soon after and we drove out of Leeds about
5 in the afternoon we reached Tadcaster without anything par-
ticular occurring and changing horses at Bacchus’s the white
horse arrived in York between 9 and 10 all the windows through
out the city seemed to be shut in and scarcely a passenger of any
description interrupted the stillness of the streets as soon as we
got to the George in Coney Street I found a note waiting for me
from Miss Raine saying that she was at Mr Duffin’s House
in Micklegate where she would sleep and would be glad to see me
as early in the morning as convenient and that Mrs Henry
Swann being very lately dead the family did not receive
company in about ---- an hour we had a comfortable
supper and soon after went to bed as my mother and I had
separate rooms with seeing her into bed and one thing or another
I did not go to my apartment till near 12 but it was not long
before eyes were sealed in the sweetest slumber anxious
to see Miss R- [Raine] as soon as possible I got up at ½ past 6 and set
off into Micklegate at 8 Miss R [Raine] was breakfasting at Mr R Swanns
/ being so intimate / --- the housekeeper went to tell her I was come
And she having seen me go past and having already put her things
on came over in a few moments we sat talking till between
10 and 11 then went the back way and crossed the river to get into
Coney Street after sitting sometime with my mother we all
Went down Lendale to the ferry Eliza to get into Mickelegate
to finish packing her things my mother and I to go by the Manor
Shore to call upon Mrs Hargrave Mrs H we found Miss Tate
had gone to Scarbrough [Scarborough] some time before however Mrs Tate seemed
glad to see us and shewed us over the house I mentioned to
her my wish to return for a month or two to the Manor but
Mrs T begged to refer me to her sister whom she hoped I should
See at Scarbro’ [Scarborough] and gave us a letter for her daughter Miss
After so painful a difference as has existed between my ever dear husband and myself
I feel I cannot be satisfied unless I give you a written assurance that hence forward
shall this heart be open to you its inmost recesses exposed to your view and
the key of ev[ery] avenue delivered to your care
I have been unjust ungenerous and suspecting you of a thousand errors your great
mind can never have been guilty of secretly cherishing for you a diminution
of respect for actions that have never existed
return I ask it once again to a heart frail and imperfect with its weakness
yet fond and faithful to its object
pity the past and reclaim the future model me to your wishes by unremitting
kindness and if I ever go astray from the path of my duty will you dear kind husband
and protector of my life shew me this sad memorial of my contrition sad
recourse a necessity has existed for it then remembering the
anguish of my past misery with all its concomitant evils my heart shall
receive the memento learn to appreciate the blessing of possessing
such a husband devoted to you on the seventeenth of August eighteen hundred
and ten
Friday night August 18 1810
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road to Bristol thro’ Queen’s Square etc and thus avoid all the superior part of the City thro’ w[hi]ch you now pass – that they had talked of cutting a canal to save the circuitous and impeded navigations of the Avon – but th[a]t it w[oul]d cost a least £400000 and the Avon might be rendered much more convenient for about £100000 – One great advantage of the canal w[oul]d be to get the Welch [Welsh] coal and thus lower the price in general – for tho’ the coal w[j]hich Bath is now supplied is got within 5 or 6 miles of it it is so in the Lands of monopolizers, that they fix their own prices and now sell it at 13d / thirteen pence / a hundred weight – 20 Ctw [hundredweight] being equal to about ¾ of a chaldron of 36 bushels – the Bath stone very porous therefore soon imbibing smoke etc and turning blackish in time – the quarries are on Claverton down – a great deal of false architecture in Bath – the columns at the lower rooms by much the most perfect – the columns of the Circus not well proportioned – the low most row Doric, the middle Ionic, the uppermost Corinthian the shafts of the latter not, for instance, long enough – the Crescent the finest building of the kind in England – After York, St Pauls, and Westminster Cathedral, that at Salisbury the finest different opinions about Wyatt’s alterations there – the best specimen of Saxons Architecture the door way of the Cathedral at Peterborough – the best spec[ime]n of the florid Gothic in King’s College Cambridge – He recommend a thin 8vo [octavo] essay upon architecture – the Avon very subject to overflow inundate all the adja-cent low grounds and even the lower Bristol road – 3 of 4 y[ea]rs ago such a flood that the people in the houses below Pulteney Streets obliged to get out of their beds upon the tops of the roofs and be taken off in boats – some cottages swept away – the sight of the sun rising from the top of Skiddaw the finest thing he ever saw, reminded him of Milton’s description of Creation “the Earth turned like a cauldron” – altogether an amusing companion – as may be judged fr[om] the above slight sketch of his conversation – the road fr[om] Bath to Bristol very beautiful – the walls by the way built of a dark greyish coloured stone very unlike that of the houses in Bath are built – I observed in the walls several specimens of the Cornu Omalis – got to Bristol a little after 11 – walked fr[om] the Bush, where we drove to, to the Hot wells a porter carrying our hat box for w[hi]ch charg[e]d 2s – an imposition – ‘After walked along the rive and thro’ Clifton return[e]d to ER’s [Eliza Raine] lodgings, stepp[e]d into a Hackney coach --- drove to Bristol – saw the Blind Assylum [Bristol Blind Asylum] – IN [Isabella Norcliffe] called on Mrs H Morrit. [S[ou]th Bank Str[ee]t] could not Mrs Strangeways in Berkeley Square – return[e]d and got a good dinner w[j]ith dear Eliza whom we found quite well – In bed when we first arrived – I.N [Isabell Norcliffe] in a fury before tea – came round again, pro forma, before supper –
c. March 1813
under such and such circumstances and her [letters missing] are by no means inestimable her curiosity to know what I am writing increases and she declares she will get !!! to teach her my alphabet [alphabet] every now and then we amuse the party by differing in opinion about Dr S Belcombe and Best her conduct to my mother is anything but judicious she orders John prys [pries] into everything lets Betty hear her my mothers in a devil of a temper is a nasty devil etc etc - she has been at church one after noon since she came here has often or several times drunk eight glasses of wine gets into raptures when people are are present declares she will gobble me etc etc if I don't speak often enouh however I may be engaged says I take no notice of her etc etc but no more and so much for my true observations this evening Tues[day] 30th Aug[u]st 1814
[August-September 1814]

[missing letters] sometimes make so much of me before
Marian that the poor girl wonders and asks
if Mariana ever does so tis a joke
among the family she cannot leave me a
minute I never can say a word to any of them
to themselve for she is certain to hunt
us out

30th Aug[u]st

For want of sufficient resources or and sufficient
exertion she is often idle and consequently has
very unequal spirits is frequently low and unhappy
and sigh as deeply from ennui as any other person
could do from real calamity I pity
such a character with all my spirit

Thurs[day] 6 o’clock 1st Sep[tembe]r 1814
6 o’clock

Raspberry
Cane sugar
August 1814
Sketches of in in character
having been since Saturday somewhat indisposed
it srkkes [strikes] me the more forcibly that she is a bad nurse
at first she annoys or rather distresses you by sighs and groans
and seems quite out of spirits in a day or two she gets used to
seeing you Jill recovers her spirits knocks to the doors after
her speaks loud as usual goes in and out quickly comes and kisses you
violently call you a thousand pretty names beauty spews angels
lambs of heaven sweetest love that ever were born and asks you a
thousand questions how you are and what you will have for instance
because you like it at other times presses you to eat raw steak
----- when you have hardly been able to gouch anything
for the last two or three days and have besides taken balomel [calomel] and
jalap and been sick for half a dozen hours then if somewhat
worn out one does not answer often enough or as she fancies
kindly enough she shoes on forages about your not liking
her to do anything for you says you are cross etc etc
if you seem pleased with a letter teazes you to death
to know if you [usually] pleased with one from
her if ever you speak affectionately
of anyone teazes you to make you say you like her
ten thousand times better and indeed better than all the world
she is curious to a pestiferous degree whenever she
comes into the room she is never easy till she has found
out all you have said or done in her absence and if she fancies
conversation stops on her entrance she always thinks you
have been speaking against her and plagues your life out
till you have satisfied her either with a fortunate truth
or a happy deceit she sees me write this has asked me a hundred
questions what it is about say she hates me to write
anything she does not know that it is horrible for she always
suspects it is against her and has made me say over and
over again that is not about her or Mariana she has just
through my sisters blindness contriver with great bungling
to win a game at draughts but at this like most other
things I really think her a noodle she sometimes often
asks very silly questions about Dieppe
custom house duties etc and constantly tells
one what she would advise one to do
and what she would do herself
How can I refuse my darling husbands solicitude to hear the events of
Isabellas visit nothing glaringly strange took place my love but what happened
may amuse and please you as it may illustrate most clearly the near resemblance
that dear creature has arrived Mr T and to you
in entering I was accosted rather roughly we sat down and after looks that
really now L made me blush the tray was brought in she ate heartily and drank
freely insisting on my drinking your health with all the airs of masculine
fervor forgot ev[e]rything she had to say and spoke more in her eyes than I
liked put her hand into her habit sat with all the freedom of a man and
thought I dare say she could not be too near to me these are singular traits
L and when I saw them I declare to you the consciousness of a certain
something being but human nature occurred to me so strongly as to
influence me to the elevation of my dignity or as Sterne says
or the consequences would have inclined me to rudeness I never
ceased talking and made myself as agreeable as possible and if I tell
my husband that I think I did not fail to give outward pleasure
I must not be thought to have given displeasure and I do think myself
mentally improved but let my husband judge thy praises my ??? are
sweeter and juster to my heart than any other human beings
after this she would make me read your letter I hesitated feeling the
warmth of your expressions only fit for the eye of matrimonial love
however she was and so teasing I could not refuse and after the perusal especially
when I ended at that part where you wish me to look beautiful as the rose she
smiled and a repetition was increased of many acts and so resembling thine
as to make me ask my husband whether he had been so unfortunately candid as
to have disclosed our marriage love attachment
I was going to shew the way into the bed chamber merely to see that all was right
when she pushed me out of the room observing I cannot do with you now I am sorry
after this lamenting most bitterly the necessity to depart she said
come I must have a kiss off those lips took me in her arms and I found she could
embrace prettily feelingly I could not help colouring L and she looked and smiled
what are these acts but proof of very great singularity and mystery
she sighed very often and when I observed it she talked of the comfort
you were to her I asked after Marian Belcombe at which she gave me the
strangest look and said what makes you ask after her and I replied merely from
the idea of her great intimacy with her having heard her say she was the dearest
friend she had on earth why so she is said Isabella but my friend miss Lister who
mounts the pile superior I then said do you make such an exception she said to me
upon this dear you are a quere girl and let me tell you !!! for this she called me I have
not forgot all you said of me you know to miss Lister pray do you think as only of
me as you used to do your friend has told me ev[e]ry syllable you uttered and I always
mean to
plague you about it to which I said I hear you are exceedingly reclaimed
at which I rejoice but I regret miss Listers disclosure of my observation
however it is my just punish[ment] and I bow but said I in future I shall learn discretion
in communicating to my friend finding that she tells you ev[e]rything
why said Isabella can it be placed in a warmer a more faithful bosom
I love ??? to adoration she is my sustenance without her I should not live in
her last illness I was distracted
and all who belong to her are objects of the liest interest to me
she told me Marian Belcombe had lost the best friend she ever had on Earth but said
very little about her are they as friendly as ever my love
did Isabella mention me in her letter she said had I been at the inn with her
she would have asked for a room to ourselves these are the few particulars
I have to relate my husband about one of your dearest friends
her character appears to me very odd and if she resembles [resembles] you internally
in passions in and nature how extraordinary [extraordinary] she has a few masculine
attributes and such as a short beard a loud and boyish voice form exactly
yours manners coinciding and as far as I can judge [judge] sentiments on all
subjects but that of the heart which is a subject none but lovers can
discourse with all that ardour and genuine elegance which alone most
naturally speak the passion
now then does it call to my heart my husband my absent adored love
??? five long weeks have fled love since I last was happy in your arms
no sentiment but that of your great advantages in health would
reconcile the sorrow to my heart discourse which I am necessitated
to wear in my letters hide from you the secret sighings of my heart
but there they live in all their native misery a wifes prayers
are yours and never till I see you again shall I be completely happy
none of your relations can I rely on alas I have but you oh ??? consider
that you must live for me let me see you blooming well and strong
I send you my love two little pounds my only present allowance to my husband
they will be seasonable my darling to thy wants and when my next allowance is
due detain five pounds tell me do - tell me dearest ??? when ps
always takes place my darling knows not my solicitude cannot cannot know it
language cannot speak my heart - your picture L hast thou forgot
it my first my best my only petition and now thou art ever indulgent to thy
wife and forget me not
I send my love two habit shirts a pair of stays 
and the rosebud for Miss M who really is kind to you and 
all appear grateful but be careful ??? she has 
gone and told all your apparent approbation of 
her hostility to me and your connivance on 
themselves besides your letters Miss Greenup 
said many things of this kind which I have in 
reserve for you 
I wrote my letters to Mrs D [Duffin] and Miss M before I got 
yours indeed las Wednesday and I think they are 
proper and it pleases me to think love that 
I have thus anticipated your wishes in 
Miss Ms common character I esteem her and have 
said what I feel I have forgiven ev[e]ry 
past but there is a point upon which we 
agree I think thats nothing to us 
Mr D [Duffin] from Ireland is going to spend some 
time at Red House I suppose and Miss D [Duffin] says 
in her letter she hopes her uncle will be 
kind to him if so dont you think you will be 
wanted out of the way consult though 
your own real judicious judgement 
the stays will fit I hope love as well as the 
habit shirts I never was so well 
in my life and this will please thy heart 
farewell husband love !!! and do ev[e]rything 
for her happiness dear darling 
??? adieu - 

Mrs Veitch 

I could not find any Washing Saveenes [Savines] 
The medicine y[ou]r father will take 
The sprigged muslin I send as much 
of as I can find -