

**REPORT**  
**of the**  
**Board of Trustees of the Public**  
**Archives of Nova Scotia**

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For the Year 1973



HALIFAX, N. S.

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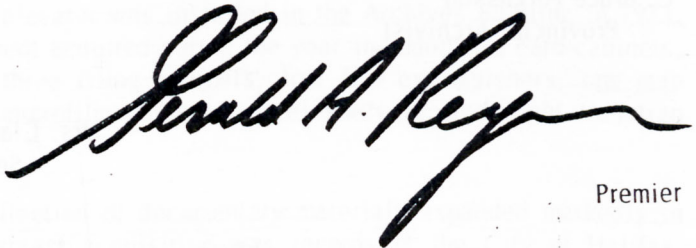
To His Honour

The Honourable Clarence Lloyd Gosse, M.D., C.M., F.R.C.S.  
Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia

May it please Your Honour:

I have the honour to submit the report of the Provincial Archivist to the Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia for the year 1973, together with a statement of receipts and disbursements for the period April 1st, 1973 to March 31, 1974.

Respectfully submitted

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Gerald A. Regan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Premier



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**PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF NOVA SCOTIA**

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## REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ARCHIVES

of

## NOVA SCOTIA

For the Year 1973

The Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia

Gentlemen:

I have the honour to present the annual report of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia for the year 1973.

The records and papers of a province relatively rich in history are required for the purpose of preserving our cultural heritage and illuminating our development. With the passage of time, however, annual accessions not only expand and enrich our collections but disclose the need for additional space and new facilities for the acquisition, accommodation, conservation, and use of archival materials. For several years we have been storing newspapers and other records in a building at Burnside. This arrangement, useful as it is, is far from ideal, and it does little to provide an adequate receiving room, a sorting room, a fumigating chamber, or other necessary facilities for an up to date archival institution.

A new elevator was installed in the Archives Building in 1973. Other equipment acquired during the year included two card-cabinets, two chairs, three filing cabinets, four fire extinguishers, one map case, three microfilm cabinets, steel shelving, and eight Venetian blinds.

Our collection of documentary materials expanded markedly in 1973. The largest acquisition was records of the City of Halifax. Amounting to more than 300 lineal feet of shelf-space, it comprises correspondence of the City Engineering Department for the years 1893-1946, the City Solicitor's Office for 1887 to 1969, and the City Works Department for 1873 to 1886 and 1893 to 1900, as well as Ward Evaluation Books for 1890 to 1897, and material relating to Poll Tax,

War-time Housing, and the Police or Magistrate's Court. Other acquisitions were records of the Municipality of the County of Halifax, County Court and Supreme Court Records obtained from Kentville, a volume of General Orders, Army Headquarters, Halifax, 1798-1800, papers relating to Cornwallis Branch No. 13 of the Canadian Legion, and records pertaining to No. 17 Elementary Flying Training School during World War II.

A considerable addition was made to our collection of registers of schools. It included the following:

Bass River, 1904-1946	Liverpool, 1959-1972
Central Armdale, 1927-1968	Maroon Hill, 1943-1953
Fairview, 1921-1968	Portapique Mountain, 1891-1915
French Village, 1951-1966	River Philip, 1935-1969
Great Village, 1951-1966	Shelburne, 1959-1972
Greenwood, 1961-1962	South Armdale, 1930-1968
Harmony, 1963-1964	Upper Economy, 1907-1928
Herring Cove, 1928-1962	West Armdale, 1944-1967
Lake Road, 1958-1962	West Pugwash, 1962-1971

To our collection of business records a number of additions were made. Among these were account books of Daniel Crocket, of Wine Harbour and Hopewell, for the years 1859 to 1885; cash books, day books, and ledgers of Mrs. Eliza DeWolf, of Liverpool, for the years 1827 to 1856; a ledger of Thomas Freeman, of Liverpool, for the years 1817 to 1838; and records of the Nova Scotia Abattoir Ltd., including minutes of the board of directors and of annual meetings for the years 1955 to 1969.

A variety of other material was also received. It included the annual reports of St. David's Presbyterian Church, Halifax, for the years 1925-1972; the annual reports of the Commercial Club of Halifax for 1916-1917, 1920-1921, and 1923-1924; the annual reports of the Ladies Committee of the Halifax Protestant Orphans' Home for the years 1926-1928, 1930-1940, 1944, and 1946-1948; the Journal and Proceedings of the Grand Temple of the Independent Order of Grand Templars for 1867-1887; the Journal and Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia of the Independent Order of Grand Templars for the years 1873-1887 and 1899-1921; and records of Local Union 1064 of the United Steel Workers of America.



There were also accessions of other municipal records. Two hundred and two items of proceedings and reports were received from two cities, ten towns, and six rural municipalities, in addition to the records of the City of Halifax previously listed.

Private papers were also procured. Worthy of mention are the papers of the late Mr. Justice A. H. MacKinnon, Chief Justice of Nova Scotia, which were collected in 1973.

Several scrapbooks were acquired. One has to do with Londonderry; another deals with the subject of temperance; a third contains information about the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron. Two others relate to the Commercial Club of Halifax.

A considerable quantity of genealogical material was collected in the course of the year. It included information relating to families names Allison, Banks, Beaton, Chambers, Clattenburg, Croil, Davidson, Davison, Dechman, Dumaresq, Fraser, Fullerton, Gouthro, Grant, Hebb, Johnson, MacDonald, Mack, Robertson, Russell, Sibley, Smith, Spike, Vroom, Wells, Wentzell, Whidden, Whitman, and Whitmore.

Our collection of microfilms continues to expand. One substantial acquisition is 53 reels of shipping registers for Amherst, 1874-1906; Annapolis, 1894-1938; Arichat, 1824-1937; Baddeck, 1858-1893; Digby, 1847-1926; Guysborough, 1849-1918; Halifax, 1867-1893; Liverpool, 1840-1919; Lunenburg, 1849-1923; Parrsborough, 1850-1919; Pictou, 1840-1872; Port Hawkesbury, 1894-1934; Port Medway, 1874-1917; Shelburne, 1859-1919; Sydney, 1787-1932; Weymouth, 1874-1909; Windsor, 1845-1900; and Yarmouth, 1840-1906. Another accession is 15 reels of shipping registers from the records of the Board of Trade in London for the ports of Amherst, Annapolis, Halifax, Liverpool, Port Hawkesbury, Pugwash, Shelburne, and Ship Harbour. A third item is a nominal index of Audit Office 12 papers containing the names of Loyalists.

In the course of the year records of a number of churches have been borrowed and reproduced on microfilm. Those records include the following:

Barrington  
Bridgetown

Methodist Church, 1790-1821  
St. James Anglican Church, 1854-1966

Cape North	Presbyterian, Methodist, and United Churches, 1886-1973
Clementsport	Anglican Church, 1841-1973
Dartmouth	Grace United Church, 1864-1973
Dominion	Parish of the Good Shepherd, 1906-1973
Glace Bay	Knox United Church, 1903-1963
Halifax	Faith Tabernacle, 1969-1972
Halifax	St. Matthias Anglican Church, 1888-1973
MacLennan's Mountain	St. John's Presbyterian Church, 1863-1906
Manchester	St. Paul's Anglican Church, 1847-1904
Neil's Harbour	St. Andrew's Anglican Church, 1876-1973
New Dublin	Anglican Church, 1830-1970
New Germany	St. John's Anglican Church, 1888-1973
New Waterford	All Saints Anglican Church, 1911-1972
Port Dufferin	St. James Anglican Church, 1847-1961
Port Hawkesbury	St. David's United Church, 1852-1939
Reserve	St. John's Anglican Church, 1906-1973
Shelburne	Methodist Circuit, 1856-1910
Springhill	All Saints Anglican Church, 1881-1962
Sydney	St. George's Anglican Church, 1785-1928
Truro	St. John's Anglican Church, 1886-1973
Wallace	Anglican Church, 1832-1926
Valley	United Church, 1946-1972
Yarmouth	Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 1898-1973

Other materials were also borrowed and photographed. These included the minutes of the meetings of the Town Council of Glace Bay for the years 1940 to 1968; the diaries of C. S. Bruce, of Shelburne, for the years 1897 to 1907; the diary of Wentworth Boutilier, of Croucher's Island, for the years 1910-1972; the minutes of meetings of the Highland Society of the County of Sydney for the years 1861 to 1881; six note-books of Miss Laura Hardy on Fort Anne and Annapolis Royal; an index to the genealogical materials of Miss Marjorie Bruce of Shelburne; a note-book of Stephen Rodda who was in Annapolis Royal in the 1740s; a letter-book of the Ordnance Department, Halifax, 1794-1800; and architectural plans of Dumaresq & Byrne Ltd., of Halifax.

During the year we continued to reproduce newspapers on microfilm. Those newspapers which were photographed in 1973 were the following:

**The Acadian**, 1827-1834

**Morning Chronicle**, 1845, 1851-1852

	1854-1859
<b>The Acadian Telegraph</b> , 1836-1837	<b>Morning Herald</b> , 1840-1841 1843, 1875-1880
<b>The Advance</b> , 1892, 1894, 1898, 1903-1906, 1908, 1910, 1938-1960	1962-1969
<b>The Church Guardian</b> , 1880-1882	<b>Nova Scotian</b> , 1873, 1878-1891 1894-1899, 1902-1906 1912-1916, 1919-1924
<b>Church Work</b> , 1918	<b>Progress Enterprise</b> , 1961-1972
<b>The Colonial Standard</b> , 1863	<b>Truro Daily News</b> , 1940-1942 1945-1948, 1958-1959
<b>Eastern Chronicle</b> , 1913	<b>Wolfville Star</b> , 1879-1880
<b>The Enterprise</b> , 1888-1891, 1897	
<b>The Evening News</b> , 1947-1954	<b>Yarmouth Herald</b> , 1854-1855
<b>The Mayflower</b> , 1872-1882	<b>Miscellaneous Newspapers</b> , 1784-1868

To our collection of microfilms, 236 reels of positives and 171 reels of negatives were added in 1973. These contain various materials such as newspapers, shipping registers, business records and records of churches, as well as records of the motor vehicle branch of the Department of Highways for the years 1941 to 1966.

Current issues of thirty-two Nova Scotia newspapers were received in 1973. These included copies on microfilm of **The Chronicle-Herald** and **The Mail-Star**.

In 1973 the library received 502 books and pamphlets and 417 periodicals. It also acquired 104 annual reports, as well as 202 municipal reports.

One atlas and seventy-six maps were procured in 1973. The atlas contains eighteenth-century maps and charts. Other items include a photocopy of an old plan of Sackville, Cumberland, and Amherst made by Charles Morris in 1761; a map of North America by T. Kitchin; and sea charts of Barrington Passage, Liscomb Island to Egg Island, Lockeport Harbour and Sydney Harbour.

More than a thousand pictures of various kinds were accessioned in 1973. Among these were oil paintings of William Bowie, Captain Joseph Marshall, Mrs. Joseph Marshall, and John George Marshall, and photographic portraits of Lieutenant-Governor H. P. MacKeen and Lieutenant-Governor Victor deB. Oland. Other items were a miniature



of Joseph Howe, snapshots of lighthouses and marine establishments in Nova Scotia, an album of pictures of the Nova Scotia Co-operative Abattoir, and a collection of glass slides of railways.

After forty years of faithful and meritorious service as secretary, Miss Winifred McFatridge retired on July 31, 1973. She was succeeded by Mrs. J. B. Hankinson.

Progress is being made in the assimilation of materials and in the preparation of finding aids for the speedy retrieval of information. During the past three years or so about 48 indexes and inventories of records and manuscripts have been prepared, and it is proposed to publish as soon as possible, in one volume, an inventory of all our collections of manuscripts.

Meetings were held in the Archives Building by students and others. Among the societies which availed themselves of our facilities were the Canadian Club of Halifax and the Nova Scotia Historical Society. There were at least forty guided tours of the building.

Numbers of visitors and researchers increased considerably in 1973. Registered visitors numbered 10,069, an increase of 13½% over the preceding year, whereas 10,840 researchers (compared with 8,149 in 1972) were assisted in the use of 15,488 books, 9,847 manuscripts, 2,633 newspapers, 12,134 microfilms, 2,049 maps, and 3,026 pictures. The number of researchers in 1973 was more than 30% higher than in 1972. Correspondence for the year included over 3,400 outgoing letters.

I was a member of the thesis committee for two graduate students who qualified for the degree of Master of Arts in Education at Dalhousie University in 1973. One of the theses submitted was "Administration and Growth of Vocational Education in Nova Scotia"; the other was "The Contribution of the Scottish Teachers to Early Cape Breton Education (1802 - 1865)."

On April 16th and 17th, 1973, I attended in Toronto a conference of Canadian archivists. I was in Kingston, Ontario, from June 5th to June 9th, for a meeting of the Canadian Historical Association. On July 13th and 14th I was in Charlottetown for a conference of the Association of Eastern Canadian Archivists. From September 19th to

23rd I was in Toronto to participate in "Symposium 1973," which concerned itself with "The Golden Age of France and England and their influence on Early Canada". On October 24th, moreover, I was present at a meeting in Fredericton of the Association of Eastern Canadian Archivists.

During the year I attended other meetings and delivered a number of addresses. By CBC radio I spoke about Cape Breton Island, on January 18th; about Nova Scotia Silver, on January 29th; about Joseph Howe, on four occasions in early October; and about The Halifax Explosion of 1917, on December 6th. On October 5th I appeared on CBHT television and on ATV to discuss Joseph Howe. On January 30th I gave an address on land use in Kings County at a Land Use Planning Course in Coldbrook, on February 20th I discussed the historical aspect of urbanization at a Land Use Planning Course relating to Colchester County in Truro, and on July 12th I took part in a seminar on forestry at the Nova Scotia Teachers College in Truro.

Moreover, on February 23rd, I delivered a lecture on "The Place of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia in the Community" in the Friday Lecture Series of the School of Library Service at Dalhousie University. On October 6th, in the Mechanics' Institute of the Joseph Howe Festival, I gave an address entitled "Howe, Conservative Reformer." Subsequently, on October 19th, I read a paper entitled "Howe and Confederation" at St. Mary's University.

At Liverpool, on May 16th, I dealt with the subject of archives, at a meeting of the Queens County Historical Society. On June 14th I motored to Liverpool to collect records. On August 24th I attended a meeting of the Mahone Bay Heritage Society in the Canadian Legion Hall, Chester. On September 7th I went to Tantallon to borrow the diary of Wentworth Boutilier. On October 9th I spoke about the history of Lunenburg at a meeting of the Lunenburg Heritage Society in Lunenburg. On October 10th I was in Shelburne and Annapolis to borrow records to be photographed, and on November 6th I went to Scotsburn and River John to collect records.

On July 19th, at a special meeting of the North British Society, of Halifax, at which seven Baronets of Nova Scotia were present, I proposed the toast to the Baronets of Nova Scotia. I attended a meeting of Heritage Canada in the Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, on September 12th; I spoke about the history of the Commercial Club of Halifax



at its 60th anniversary, on October 25th; and I took part in the Cultural Policy Conference, at the Dalhousie University Arts Centre, on November 9th and 10th. Moreover, Miss Phyllis Blakeley, Mr. Garry Shutlak, and I attended the organizational meeting in Fredericton on October 23rd and 24th of the Archival Association of the Atlantic Provinces.

As in previous years, special displays of timely or topical interest were arranged. One consisted of engravings, lithographs, aquatints, and mezzotints; another dealt with the career of Joseph Howe; and others depicted historic houses.

Five paintings have been sent to England to be restored. It is proposed to send others to be restored later.

To the staff I extend my sincere appreciation for its active interest and continuing endeavour in furthering the aims of the institution.

Appendix A is a list of donors for the year 1973.

Appendix B is the journal of William Young for 1839, the original of which was obtained in 1973.

A statement of the receipts and disbursements for the financial year ending March 31st, 1974, will be found herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Bruce Fergusson  
PROVINCIAL ARCHIVIST

**THE PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF NOVA SCOTIA****STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS****For the Year ended March 31, 1974****RECEIPTS**

Balance on hand - April 1, 1973 . . . . .	\$	4,991.74
Government of Nova Scotia . . . . .	\$190,750.00	
Sales of publications, etc. . . . .	<u>2,545.02</u>	193,295.02

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Salaries . . . . .	\$154,061.31	
Printing . . . . .	1,338.59	
Furnishing and Equipment . . . . .	8,424.66	
Microfilming . . . . .	8,235.23	
Maintenance and Expenses of Building . . . . .	2,873.35	
Office Supplies . . . . .	4,688.88	
Library and Manuscript Room . . . . .	1,131.09	
Bindery . . . . .	80.35	
Purchases - Archival Material . . . . .	1,097.41	
Transfer and Expenses . . . . .	214.70	
Sundry Expenses . . . . .	<u>1,678.33</u>	
	183,823.90	
Balance on hand, March 31, 1974 . . . . .	<u>14,462.86</u>	
	<u>\$198,286.76</u>	<u>\$198,286.76</u>

For and on behalf of

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF NOVA SCOTIA

C. Bruce Fergusson, Provincial Archivist

Claire Hankinson, Secretary

**AUDITORS' REPORT**

We have audited the records of Receipts and Disbursements of the Board of Trustees of the Public Archives of Nova Scotia for the year ended March 31, 1974, and have obtained all the information and explanations we required.

We hereby certify that the above statement is a true and correct summary of the receipts and disbursements for the said year, and that the balance shown as on hand and in the bank has been verified.

Halifax, N. S.  
April 16, 1974

H. H. Veno & Company  
Chartered Accountants

## APPENDIX A

## DONORS

Adshead, Professor J. G.	Perth, Ontario
Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Fernald	Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
Archibald, Mrs. William	Shelburne, Nova Scotia
Association of Descendants of Ralph Smith	Rochester, New Hampshire, USA
Atlantic Provinces Economic Council	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Atlantic Provinces Transportation Commission	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Austin, Mrs. Pearl	Oxford, Nova Scotia
Baird, Mr. Hamilton	Moncton, New Brunswick
Baker, Mrs. Helen	Lunenburg, Nova Scotia
Banks, Mrs. Helen	New Germany, Nova Scotia
Banks, Mr. H. R.	Barrington Passage, Nova Scotia
Barker, Mrs. John W.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Barnwell, Mrs. V. A.	Pictou, Nova Scotia
Bates, Mr. George T.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Bedwell, Dr. Stephen F.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Bell, Mr. Hugh	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Betts, Rev. Dr. E. A.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Black, Judge W. Marshall	Kentville, Nova Scotia
Blair, Mrs. A. Carl	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
Blakeley, Miss Phyllis R.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Blakeley, Miss Shirley A.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Blauveltdt, Mr. Robert B.	Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
Board of School Commissioners	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Borden, Misses Jessie and Elmira	Hantsport, Nova Scotia
Brayley, Mr. Jack	Prince's Lodge, Nova Scotia
Brown, Miss Margaret	Milton, Queens County, Nova Scotia
Burke, Mr. Marvin M.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Burroughs, Professor Peter	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Byers, Mr. J. W.	Halifax, Nova Scotia



Cameron, Mr. James M.	Ottawa, Ontario
Canadian Red Cross Society	Toronto, Ontario
Canadian Red Cross Society	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Carr, Professor Harold M.	Waltham, Massachusetts, USA
Chambers, Miss Barbara	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Chard, Mr. E. J.	North Bay, Ontario
Chowdhury, Mr. G. S.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Christie, Mrs. P. S.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
City of Halifax	Halifax, Nova Scotia
City Hall	Sydney, Nova Scotia
Clarke, Mrs. H. A.	Westmount, Quebec
Clattenburg, Mr. Barry C.	Brooklyn, Queens County, Nova Scotia
Clattenburg, Mrs. Selena	Port Medway, Queens County, Nova Scotia
Cleveland, Mrs. Marjorie S.	Austin, Texas, USA
Coates, Mr. Ernest E.	Nappan Station, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia
Cowan, Honourable Gordon S.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Cox, Miss D. Gordon	Victoria, British Columbia
Creighton, Miss Jean	Wolfville, Nova Scotia
Crockett, Miss Helen	Hopewell, Nova Scotia
Crowell, Dr. Harvey E.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Dauphinee, Dr. Marion	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Davidson, Mr. T. G. M.	Toronto, Ontario
Dawson, Dr. Vega	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Dechman, Mr. Don A.	Charleston, W. Virginia, USA
Dennis, Mr. Eric R.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Department of Development	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Department of Education	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Department of Indian Affairs & Northern Development	Ottawa, Ontario
Department of Labour	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Department of Lands and Forests	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Department of Municipal Affairs	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Department of the Navy	Washington, D. C., USA
Department of Public Welfare	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Department of Public Works	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Department of Transport	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
Derengoski, Mrs. W. A.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Dexter, Mrs. Janetta	Hampton, Annapolis County, Nova Scotia
Dockendorff, Mr. Gary W.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Duff, Mr. Gordon	Pictou, Nova Scotia

Dumaresq, Mr. J. Philip	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Dunlop, Mr. Allan	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Earle, Mr. Gordon S.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Eaton, Mr. Ernest	Centreville, Nova Scotia
Edwards, Mr. H. L.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Eells, Rev. Earnest E.	Lakeland, Florida, USA
Elliott, Miss A. Edwina	Clarence, Bridgetown, Nova Scotia
Elliott, Miss Shirley	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Fader, Miss M. J.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Fice, Mr. Frank	Pugwash, Nova Scotia
Ferguson, Miss Annie C.	Point Tupper, Nova Scotia
Fergusson, Dr. C. Bruce	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Firth, Miss Edith G.	Toronto, Ontario
Fisheries Training Centre	Pictou, Nova Scotia
Flowers, Mr. A. D.	Victoria, British Columbia
Fortier, Mr. John	Louisbourg, Nova Scotia
Fredea, Miss Mary C.	Chester, Nova Scotia
Fuller, Mr. Dave	Orangedale, Nova Scotia
Fullerton, Mr. John M.	Lynnfield, Massachusetts, USA
Gallacher, Miss A. R.	Windsor, Nova Scotia
Garnet Publishing Company	Vancouver, British Columbia
General Council Office, The United Church House	Toronto, Ontario
Gill, Mr. F. Burnham	St. John's, Newfoundland
Glenbow-Alberta Institute	Calgary, Alberta
Goddard, Mrs. Hazel Firth	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
Goodwin, Mrs. Muriel	Manotick, Ontario
Government of Nova Scotia	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Grant, Mr. L. C.	Guysborough, Nova Scotia
Graves, Mr. Ross	Upper Stewiacke, Nova Scotia
Graves, Mr. Wesley G.	Aylesford, Nova Scotia
Gregg, Mr. James	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Halifax Board of Trade	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Hambleton, Mrs. Margaret	Halifax, Nova Scotia

Hankinson, Mrs. J. B.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Harris, Mr. John L.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Harrison, Professor J. C.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Harvey, Miss Margaret	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Hawkins, Honourable John	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Hebb, Mr. George P.	Bridgewater, Nova Scotia
Heron, Mr. Donald M.	Waverley, Nova Scotia
Hill, Miss Kay	Ketch Harbour, Nova Scotia
Hines, Mr. Sherman	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Huntley, Mrs. Edna	Windsor, Nova Scotia
Ilsley, Mrs. J. L.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Independent Order of Good Templars	Amherst, Nova Scotia
Industrial Estates Limited	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Inglis, Judge R. E.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Inglis, Mrs. R. E.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Institute of Historical Research	London, England
Institute of Public Affairs, Dalhousie University	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Ireland, Mr. W. E.	Victoria, British Columbia
Johnson, Mr. Donald P.	Coxheath, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia
Jolliffe, Miss Penny	Downsview, Ontario
Joudrey, Mrs. William	Liverpool, Nova Scotia
Judge, Mrs. P. M.	Spryfield, Nova Scotia
Kamuda, Mr. Edward	Indian Orchard, Massachusetts, USA
Kane, Mr. Ralph W.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Keate, Mr. Stuart	Vancouver, British Columbia
Kernaghan, Mr. Douglas F.	Toronto, Ontario
Kerr, Mrs. Loring	Fox River, Cumberland County, Nova Scotia
Kirkpatrick, Lt. Col. Robert F.	Port Medway, Queens County, Nova Scotia
Lee, Mrs. Helen F. (Parker)	Kentville, Nova Scotia
Leger, Mr. R. A.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Leitch, Mr. Dale	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Lennox, Mr. D. S.	Halifax, Nova Scotia



Linton, Mrs. A. William	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Loomer, Mr. L. S.	Windsor, Nova Scotia
McCarron, Mrs. Owen	Halifax, Nova Scotia
McCurdy, Mr. W. H.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
McDonald, Mr. B. V.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
McGrath, Mr. J. A.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
MacKay, Dr. A. Murray	Halifax, Nova Scotia
MacKay, Mr. & Mrs. A.	Merigomish, Nova Scotia
MacKenzie, Mrs. Kenneth	Halifax, Nova Scotia
MacKinnin, Chief Justice A. H., Estate of the late	
MacKinnon, Miss Jean	Amherst, Nova Scotia
MacLaren, Mrs. M.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
MacNutt, Honourable Scott	Halifax, Nova Scotia
MacPhail, Mr. J. Stuart	Halifax, Nova Scotia
MacPhee, Dr. Earle D.	Vancouver, British Columbia
MacPherson, Mrs. Hugh	New Glasgow, Nova Scotia
MacQuarrie, Mr. John	Pugwash, Nova Scotia
Manning, Estate of the late Mrs. E. M.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
March, Mr. J. E. R.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Marshall, Mr. J. Furber	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Martin, Miss Margaret	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Massachusetts Historical Society	Boston, Massachusetts, USA
Mathews, Miss Hazel C.	Gainesville, Florida, USA
Mining Association of Canada	Toronto, Ontario
Ministere des Affaires Culturelles	Quebec
Millard, Mr. R. E.	Liverpool, Nova Scotia
Moore, Mrs. Andrew	Amherst, Nova Scotia
Moreira, Mrs. A. R.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Morton, Mrs. Allan	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Morton, Mr. Ralph	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Municipal Clerk & Treasurer	Liverpool, Nova Scotia
Municipality of Annapolis	Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia
Municipality of Kings	Kentville, Nova Scotia
Municipality of Lunenburg & Municipal School Board	
	Bridgewater, Nova Scotia
Municipality of the District of Yarmouth	Yarmouth, Nova Scotia



New York Historical Society	New York, USA
Nova Scotia Institute of Technology	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Nova Scotia Museum	Halifax, Nova Scotia
O'Neil, Mr. Leonard	Mulgrave, Nova Scotia
Oxner, Mr. John W.	Lunenburg, Nova Scotia
Owen, Estate of the late Miss E. G.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Parker, Mrs. Phyllis J.	Middleton, Nova Scotia
Partington, Lt.Col. K. J. B.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Pasquill, Mr. Frank T.	Toronto, Ontario
Paterson, Mr. Henry A.	Liverpool, Nova Scotia
Patterson, Honourable Frank H.	Truro, Nova Scotia
Payne, Mr. G. C. L.	Oxford, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia
Payzant, Miss M. M.	Wollaston, Massachusetts, USA
Pepper, Mr. Ralph A.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Philbrick, Mr. Julian W.	Natick, Massachusetts, USA
Powell, Mr. R. Baden	Digby, Nova Scotia
Pratt, Mr. Robert H.	Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA
Province of Nova Scotia, Board of Commissioners, Public Utilities	
	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Provincial Archives of New Brunswick	Fredericton, New Brunswick
Public Archives of Canada	Ottawa, Ontario
Public Service Commission of Halifax	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Punch, Mr. Terrence M.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Queen's Printer	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Redmond, Mr. C. D.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Reiner, Mrs. C.	Armdale, Nova Scotia
Richter, Mrs. S.	Toronto, Ontario
Roach, Mrs. Bettina	Liverpool, Nova Scotia
Robertson, Rev. Father	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Robinson, Mr. G. Arthur	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Roper, Mrs. H. L.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Ross, Mrs. M.	Elmsdale, Nova Scotia
Royal Commission on Education	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Saskatchewan Archives Board	Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
Schofield, Mr. Murille	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Scott, Mr. R.	Boutilier's Point, Nova Scotia
Segal, Dr. & Mrs. Mark	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Share, Miss Edna	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Sheehy, Mrs. J. E.	New Minas, Nova Scotia
Sibley, Mr. R. E.	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia

Silver, Dr. B. C.	Wolfville, Nova Scotia
Smiley, Mrs. B.	Beaverbank, Halifax County, Nova Scotia
Smith, Capt. Frank C.	LaHave, Lunenburg County, Nova Scotia
Smith, Mrs. Paul L.	St. Croix, Hants County, Nova Scotia
Spicer, Mrs. Ruth	Fredericton, New Brunswick
Spidell, Mr. S. Merlin	Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan
Spindler, Mr. John	Windsor Junction, Nova Scotia
Stearns, Mr. C. W.	Green Acres, Kingston, Nova Scotia
Steele, Mrs. Sarah	Antigonish, Nova Scotia
Stephen, Mr. Timothy J.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Stevens, Mrs. John R.	Huntington, L.I., New York, USA
Surgey, Mrs. I.	Islington, Ontario
Sutherland, Mr. J. R. H.	New Glasgow, Nova Scotia
Swim, Mr. R.	Kingston, Nova Scotia
Taylor, Miss Georgine	Amherst, Nova Scotia
Thorpe, Mr. Victor N.	Kentville, Nova Scotia
Tobey, Mrs. John	Falmouth, Massachusetts, USA
Town Council	Bridgewater, Nova Scotia
University of the State of New York	Albany, New York, USA
University of Western Ontario	London, Ontario
Vachon, Madame Romeo	Ottawa, Ontario
Van Rooyen, Dr. C. E.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Virginia State Library	Richmond, Virginia, USA
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Vroom, Mr. Paul N.	Newcastle, New Brunswick
Wade, Miss C. E.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Wainwright, Major E. P.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Wainwright, Rev. K. B.	Wolfville, Nova Scotia
Waugh, Mr. Ralph	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
Wentzell, Mr. Brian	Brooklyn, Queens County, Nova Scotia
White, Mr. W. T.	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Whitman, Mr. C. B.	Weston, Ontario
Wickwire, Mr. Keith	Halifax, Nova Scotia
Williams, Capt. G. J. M.	Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
Yarmouth County Historical Society	Yarmouth, Nova Scotia
Young, Mr. T. K.	Homestead, Florida, USA

## APPENDIX B

JOURNAL OF WILLIAM YOUNG, 1839

1839 April 17. I embarked on board the Linnet Packet - Capt. W.<sup>m</sup> downie at Halifax bound for Falmouth. My fellow-passengers are Annie, Margt., Jane & Ellen Tobin, my colleague M.<sup>r</sup> Huntington, Col. Snodgrass & his Lady, Miss Marg.<sup>t</sup> Cunard, Rev.<sup>d</sup> M.<sup>r</sup> Cogswell, M.<sup>r</sup> Rob Lawson, & Cha.<sup>s</sup> Allison eldest son of Jonathan, who is under my charge as far as Exeter. Jane & Ellen being also sent with me by their father to be placed for a few years in a Convent & receive the last finishing touches of a polite education. Sailed at 3 o'clock & at 5 I was as usual deadly sick & found relief only in remaining in my birth perfectly quiescent. Came to anchor at night off M<sup>c</sup>Nab's Island, & next morning, the wind being ahead, returned to our moorings in the Harbour -

18 - Landed at 10 o'clock & enjoyed a good breakfast, of w<sup>ch</sup> all of us partook most heartily, at M.<sup>r</sup> Tobin's - Calld on the Gov.<sup>r</sup> & had a long conversation with him on politics - he is devoted heart & soul to our Official faction - Wrote him a spirited note against Judge Fairbanks' interference in Bond vs Bingay - Took leave of them all again at the park & re-embarked at 8 o'clock.

Sailed at 4 A.M. Found myself too sick to get up & so continued till Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup>. When I made my appearance at Table & was free of sickness during the rest of ye voyage except when the wind was right aft & the vessel had a peculiar motion w<sup>ch</sup> my inner me could not endure. When the wind was sideways & even a head & the wind more violent too than when aft, I suffered no inconvenience after the first two or three days. A sea voyage, however, is a sort of Purgatory under the best of circumstances. You can follow no regular employment & tho' not sick, I am never quite well enough for study. You can't write on account of the motion & one's reading is uninteresting and desultory. During our voyage of Twenty four days, I arranged all my papers, read half of the first vol. of Roger's Physiology, most of the striking facts in which are new to me & open a wide field of reflection - read also in the deep atlantic Lord Durham's report, a most able & masterly production & in its leading features true to the life-



His Lordship has mentioned my name with respect & republished my letter of last Sept w<sup>ch</sup>. may be of use as an introduction at the Colonial Office. Read also Sir F. B. Head's Narrative - he is a crack-brained tho' it may be an honest enthusiast - his system of policy w<sup>d</sup>. drive all the Colonies into rebellion in five years - Read also several of the Waverley novels, Miss Burney's Evelina, & five cantoes of don Juan, w<sup>ch</sup>. notwithstanding its inimitable beauty, ought to have been burned by the common hangman - no young woman should ever open it & young men had better avoid it too as a vile book soliciting inflaming the passion. This is nearly the amount of my reading for I won't call it study on board - the rest of my time was taken up in walking, eating, chatting, a little chess & a little loo for the amusement of the Capt. & ladies.

May 2. Fell in with an American ship bound for Savannah & wrote by her to George.

May 6. Were within 250 miles of Falmouth, when a N. east gale blowing down the Channel met us in the teeth & baffled all our endeavours for six long vexatious days. On the 12<sup>th</sup> it moderated & gradually veered round to the N. west. At 6 o'clock P.M. we were agreeably surprised by a view of Scilly Light, our reckoning having been 15 miles too far west & on the 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 o'clock A.M. we were landed in safety at Falmouth. On board this vessel we have had most of the comforts or rather the alleviations of w<sup>ch</sup> the misery of a sea voyage is susceptible. The ladies of my own party, Jane excepted, have stood it well. Our fellow passengers have been agreeable, except Col. Snodgrass whose cynical turn is aggravated by bad health, & whose notions of his own dignity at all times far exceed what I or any one else think of it. The Capt & his officers have been attentive we have had an excellent cook & steward, clean births, abundance to eat & drink nearly as if we had been ashore - our vessel was a good sailer off the wind, passing every thing we saw - And yet, from a sea voyage, Good Lord deliver me. We paid 28 Sov<sup>s</sup> passage money for each person except Ellen who paid half - The usual fee to the Stewart is one sov. & half each to his assistant & to the cook. I gave him £9 stg. for the five - The boatman at Falmouth receives 10/ each for landing yourself & baggage - so that the expense of a home-ward passage is about £31 stg.

In entering the harbour the most striking object on the left is Pendennis Castle. We went to see it in the afternoon & found it in

perfect order, a relic of the olden time. The view from the hill ascending to it is beautiful, quite equal to the far famed prospect at Windsor & w<sup>ch</sup>. i will think less of, now that I have seen the beauties of an English landscape even in Cornwall - Anne's friend Capt. Pawle with whom we dined gave us a drive of a few miles thro Penryn, an old & ugly borough famous in the annals of corruption, but the country highly cultivated & inviting to the eye. Falmouth itself is a much prettier place than I had believed, with narrow streets, it is true, but many good houses & an air of cleanness & comfort. It is said to contain 8000 people w<sup>ch</sup>. I can hardly believe. There seem to be no manufactures in it & but little trade - its chief support being the park & service. At Penryn again large quantities of granite are raised & shipped.

Our baggage on landing was all taken to the Custom House & politely but thoroughly examined. Two Trunks containing Journals & pamphlets printed in the Colonies were held liable to a duty of £5 per Cwt & were sealed up with our assent & sent on to London that we might apply for a remission. The broker gave bond for them & we paid him 10/6 - The letters we had with us, 40 or 50 perhaps, were taken on shore by the Ladies & we might have landed as many as we pleased. These we sent by M<sup>r</sup> Cogswell to London, as we do not expect to be there before Saty - Wrote M<sup>r</sup> Brooking to that effect & asked him to engage lodgings for us for a week till we could settle ourselves. How long we may have to remain there is doubtful, the late commotion in the Cabinet being somewhat alarming. If the Tories get in power, good bye to our reforms.

Found the inside places in town riding Coach for Exeter engaged & determined to proceed in the Steamer Sir Fr<sup>s</sup> Drake tomorrow for Plymouth. The Green Bank hotel (Sillys) at w<sup>ch</sup>. we stayed is comfortable & clean. Would we have such a one at Hfx. How complete & well ordered every thing seems to be in this country.

14th. Embarked at 9 o'clock, Capt. Pawle taking us on board in his boat. Ran along the coast, w<sup>ch</sup> is high & mostly sterile at the rate of 10 miles an hour. Passed Eddystone rock at a distance on our right & Mount Edgecombe in entering Stonehouse on the left. We passed close by the Breakwater w<sup>ch</sup> is nearly a mile long & presents an impregnable barrier to the waves. It is broad at tip & has an air of immoveable solidity. I regretted we could not land to examine it. The Victuallg Office at Stonehouse is a noble pile, lately erected & of



vast extent, with a statue of His late Majesty at the gate. We landed at Stonehouse w<sup>ch</sup> lies equi-distant, about a mile each way, from Devonport & Plymouth & set out in the afternoon to examine both towns. They form in fact a connected city of 80,000 souls & are full of life & bustle. The Crescent in Plymouth is the handsomest line of buildings & St. Andrew's church struck me from its antiquity.

Tho' the season has been unusually cold & we had a hail storm yesty morning, the Cauliflowers are nearly out and Asparagus in abundance.

15. Went over to Devonport & spent two hours in the dockyard. It covers 75 acres & employs many hundred hands - The whole is in admirable order & all the modern improvements in full play. We examined the Rope manufactory & saw the red thread entwining w<sup>ch</sup> marks the products of this Yard, that of some others being yellow. Saw a most curious machine for making halyards of eight strands - circular saws, wedge saws &c &c all wrought by steam. Went on board the Nile & several other ships building under immense sheds, one of which was said to have cost £80,000. Mounted on the rock ornamented in honor of George 3<sup>d</sup>. & w<sup>ch</sup> shews the height of the ground before it was excavated to form the present yard. The Admirals & officer's houses & gardens stand on the original elevation w<sup>ch</sup> adds to their beauty as well as health. The whole establishment is indicative of an immensely opulent flourishing intelligent & active people. The Boston yard would stand in a corner of it & excepting the five crocks of freestone I saw there last year it might pass unnoticed. Perambulated next the fosse or ditch w<sup>ch</sup> completely surrounds devonport & is capable of being filled with water on a short notice. The town has been built solely with a view to the security & convenience of the Yard & depends almost wholly on it for support - yet it is full of rich shops & goods of every kind in the greatest abundance. A large Police force, 60 I believe, is attached to the Yard, one of whom shewed us politely all round it & refused any compensation. It is open gratuitously to any respectable person declaring himself a British subject & entering his name in a book at the gate. A ship of war is built, rigged, fitted with sails anchors & cables & completely equipped for sea in this princely establishment. We saw the enormous masts of three deckers formed of distinct pieces of timber & clamped together with bands of iron, chain cables of prodigious size & strength, & anchors in the act of being forged. New docks are being constructed or lengthened & at meal times, a swarm of men pours out of the gate w<sup>ch</sup> fills

the whole street for some minutes with a double column instinct with life & motion. At 11 o'clock started in the Coach for Exeter distance 45 miles - fare inside 10/ outside 5/ - Passed thro' the most beautiful county in England & I believe in the world. No words can paint the varied beauty of its perpetual undulations. The mansion houses are frequent with their lawns gardens & lodges; & every cottage with its flowers, little court in front & air of neatness & comfort is a picture. There may be poverty & destitution - but no signs of it are visible. Abundance, the most exquisite cleanliness & rural beauty salute the eye wherever it turns. I will never again presume to speak to an Englishman of the charms of Windsor or Cornwallis. Rich as they are, they want the softness of landscape & the signs of overflowing wealth & the continued cultivation of Centuries. Yet barren spots occur here occasionally & the wastes of Dartmoor are visible on the left. The environs of Exeter are exquisitely beautiful. Annie & Marg<sup>t</sup> came outside with me to enjoy the approach & we did little else than exchange exclamations of delight & astonishment. Well may Englishmen be proud of this County. Exeter is a city of 60,000 souls - the streets lined with shops & the private dwellings & carriages in a style much superior to those we have yet seen. Had just time to visit the far-famed Cathedral w<sup>ch</sup> struck me with amazement & awe. Built in the eleventh century its external walls are covered with statues of saints crumbling under the assaults of time & its gothic pinnacles & tracery transport the imagination to the days of the Conqueror. On entering you are presented with a magnificent coup d'oeil - The lofty & pointed roof, windows of stained glass, (one of w<sup>ch</sup> is modern & very beautifully executed) splendid organ, chapels, & ancient monuments all reminding you of the long career of a wealthy & civilized people. The monument of one Bishop is dated 1070. Knights are there carved in stone in complete armour. There is a Judge in his robes and his lady in the ruff & headdress of Queen Elizabeth. The roof is of stone highly esteemed as a model of architectural taste & skill.

Here we dispatched Cha<sup>s</sup> Allison by coach to Exmouth - & in the evening Marg & I walked three miles & saw the Porters who returned with us to the Inn & spent the evening. Decided to proceed to London by way of Bath rather than by Salisbury or either of the two other roads. My Cash book will show all the fares & expenses of our Journey.

16. Started at 8 o'clock. Passed thro' Taunton, Bridgewater & Wells & arrived at Bath at 6 - Somersetshire appears to me quite equal



in beauty to Devonshire - The country seats equally numerous & the villages & cottages as much ornamented - Industry, opulence & comfort apparent at every step & the towns frequent & full of shops. The statues of Lords Wellington, Chatham & Hood conspicuous on different heights. Much of the land very low & at certain seasons over-flowed to a great depth - The houses built so as to allow the people to retreat at those times to the Upper rooms. Passed the seats of the two Secs clerks to ye House of Commons, beautiful places - had a passing glimpse of Wells Cathedral whose external walls are in much higher preservation than Exeter - The Episcopal Palace with its moat seems to be a splendid residence. A Clergyman who attains this elevation may well esteem himself one of the favorites of fortune. Passed the extensive Coal pits near Bath about 50 in number & supplying that City & Bristol & shortly after had a noble view of the crescents, squares & public walks w<sup>ch</sup> have made Bath so deservedly famous that the Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr Salt who drove me round the City & shewed me the hot baths, w<sup>ch</sup> send up 3 hhds of boiling water an hour & have done so for centuries. The old church is a beautiful specimen of the Gothic style. Population of the city about 30,000. It is the cleanest handsomest & most genteel town in the Kingdom. Had hail & snow again today, a thing almost unprecedented - Wrote George (No. 1) to go by the Great Western. - Were at the White Hart & had a very poor dinner for w<sup>ch</sup> we were charged 4/ a head served in silver & by four footmen in livery - Much show & little substance.

17<sup>th</sup> Started at 9. Passed over the downs - a tract of great extent & fit only for sheep. Traced ye famous Wandyke supposed to have been constructed by the Saxons in the time of King Woden. It is distinctly visible & seems to have consisted of a wide & deep ditch extending 70 miles across the country from the river Severn. Passed several of the artificial Barrows or tumuli probably of the same antiquity - two of them very lofty & one exceedingly ornamented with a walk all round & said to be a mile in length. Read a curious inscription as to Ann Pearce on the market cross at devizes - Passed thro' & took the railway within 20 miles of London after crossing the Thames - At 6 o'clock entered the City, having never in my life spent four days of more exquisite pleasure. Yet in this beautiful county there is much of real distress & a growing and deep discontent of the laboring classes. Mr. Salt assured me that half of the people in his parish are Chartists - & near London I was told an industrious family can not buy meat above once a week. This state of things cannot last. A more equal distribution of comforts & of property must come, so



soon as the physical force is sufficiently informed & united to act in concert. But of this anon.

Found lodgings provided for us by the Kindness of Mr. Brooking at 2 Haymarket - a parlour on the first floor - a bedroom for Anne & me behind & a larger one upstairs at £5 a week, we of course to find ourselves - I shall say nothing of the first impressions made on my mind by the bustle roll of carriages & crowds of this vast Metropolis. The exercise of writing is painful to me & as I intend merely to keep notes of what I see & observe not a regular & full Journal to the labor of w<sup>ch</sup> I c<sup>d</sup> not submit I shall reserve what I think of London for one general sketch, after use has familiarized me to so astonishing a Scene. Saw J. L. Starr who sets out tomorrow for Belgium &c on a tour of five weeks. Set out myself & found my way without difficulty along Piccadilly & by the Park to Stanhope Place where I introduced myself to Mrs. Brooking & her fine family. Mr. B. in the meanwhile had set out in quest of me & saw the ladies at our lodgings.

Waited at the Opera w<sup>ch</sup> is just opposite to us & saw the Queen come out - had a slight glimpse only as the guard of 12 soldiers or thereabouts prevented the crowd getting near.

18. Went into the City in an Omnibus w<sup>ch</sup> carries 15 passengers about 3 miles for 6<sup>d</sup>. the fare being ye same however short ye distance you go. Saw S<sup>t</sup> Pauls in passing - went thro ye Strand - Ludgate hill - Lombard Street &c - names all as familiar to my ear as if I had lived here all my life in place of seeing them for the first time. Went to the Custom house & had a memorial prepared for our two Trunks - Called with Cap<sup>t</sup> and Rod<sup>k</sup> C. McDonald on M<sup>r</sup> duff & agreed to dine this evening at Freemason's Tavern with the Committee of the Highland Society. Ordered a suit of clothes & frock coat in Bond Street - The prices extravagant, but it is necessary that I sh<sup>d</sup> be fashionably drest & it won't do to run any risk by ordering clothes at half or two thirds the price in the City. Frock coat 6 guineas, body coat 5, less 10% for Cash. Met a party of about 25 at dinner, the Hon. W. Fraser in the Chair - He placed me as Pres<sup>t</sup> of the Highland Socy of N Scotia at his right hand & in ye course of ye evening proposed my health w<sup>ch</sup> was drunk with Highland horns. I replied in a speech of 20 min<sup>s</sup>, extemporaneous of course, was very much animated & highly complimented, much more than ye speech deserved. On breaking up at 12 M<sup>r</sup> Murdo Young, the Editor of the Sun came & asked me to write it out, w<sup>ch</sup> I agreed to do - Coming home after 12 found the streets full

of people, the provision & other shops lighted up & business as brisk as if it were noon -

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Went with our whole party & Rod: McDonald to Warwick Street Chapel - paid-1/6 a piece - & heard Lebaché & other Italian Singers. The music is said to be superb - I admired it certainly but fell into no violent ecstasies. Called on Mr. Rob Stewart & Chas D. Archibald in the evening the ladies went in Mr. Robinson's carriage to the Park.

20. Wrote out speech for the Sun. Met J. S. Tremain who went with me into the City. Called on Mr. A. Hamilton & delivered him the paper for Alliance Coy - Promised to see him again shortly - Called on Mr. Atwood of the Bank. Wrote Lord Normanby - rec<sup>d</sup> an answer from Col. York appointing the 24<sup>th</sup> for an interview - We all dined at Mr. Brookings - Spent a delightful evening. Remarks & views of City - hereafter.

21<sup>st</sup> Accompanied the ladies & girls to the Terminal - an astonishing walk to St Paul's w<sup>ch</sup> struck me less than Exeter had done - ascended to the Whispering & other Galleries but not to the Ball - Inspected the Oxford Street Bazaar. Attended an "Aborigines" meeting in Exeter Hall Fowell Buxton in the chair. Heard Geo. Thompson, young Fry & Sir C. Smith, none of them good speakers - Came home tired & finished Oliver Twist.

22. Went with the ladies into the City - bought gold chains for their new watches given them by their father. Saw my old friend Sir duncan McDougald - Was cheated by a Cabman 2/6 by his bringing me back a bad half crown w<sup>ch</sup> he swore I had given him. I submitted rather than be troubled - Will look more closely again - The charge for cabs is 8<sup>d</sup> & hacks 1/ a mile - they will always cheat if they can. The only way is not to appear a stranger. Mr. Robinson took us in his carriage to the diorama, a wonderful work of perspective - to the Coliseum where we saw the Panaroma of London, amazingly accurate - & the Conservatories, caverns &c - & lastly to the Zoological Gardens Regent's Park - a beautiful creation where one might wander for hours - Admired the Giraffes w<sup>ch</sup> were new to me - the Antelopes, Bears, &c &c all appearing happy in good condition & almost reconciled to confinement - I will return to these Gardens with more time to devote to them - dined at Mr. Robinson's who has an elegant house on Chester Terrace - the Brookings Capt. Garland &c were of the party.



23<sup>rd</sup> A drawing room to day - amused Ellen & myself looking at the carriages & finely dressed women on their way down St. James Street. The spectacle is splendid - An illumination of all ye Queen's Tradespeople, club-houses &c at night The Gas-light crowns & figures were almost dazzling tho' somewhat obscured by the moistness of the air. The streets abt 9 o'clock were thronged - Capt Jones (formerly of ye Vestal) & I took charge of the ladies, having first laid aside every article that c<sup>d</sup> be snatched away or stolen. Had another search during the day for lodgings & agreed for a very handsome parlour on the first floor with a good bedroom & dressing rooms w<sup>ch</sup> will do very well for Marg<sup>t</sup> at N<sup>o</sup> 16 Princes street Hanover Square for 4½ guineas per week, to be reduced to 4 gns if we remain while in London. This seems extravagant, but I could do no better & have a handsome room - M<sup>r</sup> Huntington lives with M<sup>r</sup> Tremaine close by & pays on a second & third floor 18/6 a week. Read to day some chapters of The Contrast - L<sup>d</sup> Normanby's last novel published in 1832 - my object being to ascertain the character of his mind.

24<sup>th</sup> Removed to our new lodgings in ye morning - At 1 o'clock, having prepared with Hunt. a written mem<sup>o</sup> of what we sh<sup>d</sup> say, we went to the Colonial Office & had an interview with Lord Normanby & M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere of about 2 hours I handed His Lordship the Address & resolutions of the Assembly & other documents we brought with us & M<sup>r</sup> H. & I stated at large ye views of the House as to the Councils, Lord Durham's report, the salaries of our public officers, & settlement of the Civil list, the state of our Custom House, salaries of the officers & collection of duties. Mr. Labouchere took notes of what was said & the Marquis was polite & attentive but said little. He seemed to expect delegates f<sup>m</sup> the Council & expressed a desire to hear both sides - On ye Custom house he desired us to put our views in writing. On ye whole this interview disappointed me. The Sec<sup>y</sup> Knows nothing about our affairs, & will rely too much, I fear, on one Official faction. The under Sec<sup>y</sup> Knows more but has too many things to think of at the present crisis when the fate of the Ministry & his own seat in the Commons are trembling in the balance. No one can tell who will be Minister a month hence, & how can we expect our subordinate interests to be attended to? To watch the progress of public opinion I agreed to take the Morning Chronicle & Times getting 2 hours of each per day at 1/ each per week.

25. Anne, Marg<sup>t</sup> & the two girls started this morning under the escort of Capt. McDonald for Chelmsford near Newhall in Essex where

we have decided to place them. It is said to be the best finishing school for Catholics in England but the terms seem to me extravagantly high - £47 a year bed & board - dancing french &c extra charges & some of them exorbitant. While in the City called again on della torre & Co & on J. Neville & Co for Ja<sup>s</sup> Black also on J. Chapman & Co - Called on M<sup>r</sup> Porter & found there M<sup>r</sup> John McGrigor - They greeted me most cordially & the latter gave me much useful & curious information as to his Austrian negotiation, the state of parties here &c &c dined with him at his lodgings in the evening went with Hunt. & Tremain to Covent Garden Theatre - The house is elegant but ye performance below mediocrity - I have seen very much better in New York.

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26 Sunday - Heard the Rev<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> McKelvie in Fleet Street, the most popular preacher of the Establishment. His style is nervous, elaborate and highly argumentative - his delivery most impressive yet exceedingly awkward & without grace. "Our lot is not as their lot, our enemies themselves being the Judges" He handled this text admirably in defence of the doctrine of the Trinity against deists as well as Unitarians - He wound up with an appeal on behalf of the Fever hospital w<sup>ch</sup> I have no doubt was effective with a crowded & most earnest auditory. His only gesture with the right fore arm was the oddest & most ungainly I ever saw. I proceeded west to Sloane Street & saw my cousin Bess Reay a healthy rather pretty & timid girl of 18. She is at Tryon House & has just finished her course. Took a family dinner at Cha<sup>s</sup> Archibald's where I met Edw<sup>d</sup> & his wife M<sup>r</sup> Perley & M<sup>r</sup> A. Duncan. On my return was agreeably surprised in finding Anne snugly ensconced between ye sheets, Margt. & she having executed their commission & left the girls at Newhall.

27<sup>th</sup> Went into the City & called again on Neville & Co - Was introduced by M<sup>r</sup> McGrigor to M<sup>r</sup> Hume (author of the Custom House laws) a lively cheerful old man, about to be superannuated - Parliament meets to day & we went down to the House of Lords where I saw for the first time the Duke, L<sup>ds</sup> Brougham, Lyndhurst, Melbourne, Minto &c. L<sup>d</sup> Brougham attacked Col. Prince fiercely & L<sup>d</sup> Normanby feebly defended him. He gave a characteristic & capital hit too at the Commons as "a generation that knew not Joseph", Hume being at the bar. L<sup>d</sup> Brougham is perfectly at his ease & cuts right & left with the air of a Master. I w<sup>d</sup> have recognized him anywhere - his odd twitching of nose & ye muscles of ye cheek are altogether his own. The Duke puts me in mind of our old Chief Justice - he is evidently very feeble



& we think his intellect strong & masculine as it is, affected as well as the body - These two Master spirits - the greatest by far in the Empire, I may say, in ye World, - I regarded with the most intense curiosity. M<sup>r</sup> McGrigor introduced me to Jos. Hume, a strong built, well knit & alert figure - with a jaunty air & a bold easy bearing, w<sup>ch</sup> the possession of £4 or 5000 a year, derived f<sup>m</sup> ye wife, may possibly account for. He expressed bitter indignation at Jos. Howe resp<sup>d</sup>. U Canada and McKenzie & no sympathy at all for us - Wrote Jas<sup>s</sup> Robinson for J. L. Starr. In the evening went with Cha<sup>s</sup> Archibald & the ladies to the Haymarket & saw M Power - Was heartily tired of him as I am of Theatricals in general, a silly frivolous indecent waste of money & time.

The Account of the Highland meeting & my speech appeared in the Sun to day & read very well.

28<sup>th</sup> Part of the forenoon spent in wandering over the West end. Wrote the Lords of the Treasury for leave to enter our trunks free of duty. Received them in ye evening. Dined a la famille at M<sup>r</sup> Brookings. My uncle John having returned f<sup>m</sup> Scotland called on us to day; a very gentlemanlike figure, pleasing manners, but unhealthy-looking.

29<sup>th</sup> Prepared our letter on Custom house affairs to Lord Normanby - it occupied a great part of the day - read in the evening M<sup>r</sup><sup>s</sup> Trollope's Vienna, a book of light tho' agreeable gossip -

30<sup>th</sup> Called on Col. Yorke with our letters No. 2 & 3 - found him stiff & distant, w<sup>ch</sup> I attribute to my friend Sam's influence. M<sup>r</sup> Huntington & myself went together & introduced ourselves to Daniel O'Connell - he was not at all the sort of man I expected to see - his features wear a benevolent bon hommie expression but indicate little of the fire & genius of power of stirring the passions that slumber beneath. He received us very graciously, complimented Nova Scotia as the first Legislature that granted Catholic emancipation, professed an anxiety to serve us, & advised us to call on several of the leading Radicals with our pamphlets. I met in the afternoon M<sup>r</sup> Cha<sup>s</sup> Buller Member for Liskeard who gave me a warm reception & invited me to breakfast with him at Queen Square in the morning - M<sup>r</sup> Turton has returned to India & Lord Durham is at Richmond.

31<sup>st</sup> Went to breakfast with M<sup>r</sup> Buller & had a long conversation with him on the politics of the day. I promised to dine with him

at 4 & to accompany him to the gallery of the House of Com<sup>s</sup>. In the meanwhile M<sup>r</sup>. Huntington & I took a cab & called on 10 or 12 of the leading Radical Members, leaving our address & pamphlets. Found at home viz M<sup>r</sup>. Wyse & M<sup>r</sup>. J<sup>o</sup>. denniston. The former is a lively talkative little man & plunged at once into the Education scheme in w<sup>ch</sup> he has made himself so conspicuous - I promised to call & see him again. M<sup>r</sup>. denniston frankly declared his opinion that the sooner we were separated fm. the Mother Country ye better. Paid for our cab 8/- Returned to M<sup>r</sup>. Buller's at 4 & at 5 was introduced for the first time into the Parl<sup>t</sup> house. Since the fire the Lords & Commons occupy rooms fitted up for the nonce - that of the Lords being a long narrow apartment & that of the Commons being the former chamber of the Lords stript of its tapestry, & with a peculiar kind of roof & three chandeliers bearing a multitude of candles. M<sup>r</sup>. Buller carried me into ye H. of Lords & there I had the high gratification of hearing L<sup>d</sup>. Brougham's attack on the Ministry w<sup>ch</sup> was admitted on all hands to be one of his happiest efforts - he speaks with great selfpossession & tho' he raises his voice to a lofty Key he retains the complete command of it, & delivers with singular force the most stunning & withering sarcasms. He was frequently & loudly cheered by the Tory Peers! & evidently hates his old associates with a perfect hatred. Admired by all parties for his amazing talents he has ye esteem & confidence of noen & is an erratic & brilliant meteor rather than a shining light. Lord Melbourne also spoke, not so well, I am told, as he usually does - his style had nothing remarkable in it. If he is ye best speaker ye Administration have in the Lords next to L<sup>d</sup>. Landsdowne, they are poorly provided. The best proof of their intellectual poverty is their permitting the specious fallacies of L<sup>d</sup>. Brougham to remain unanswered - Part of them at least might have been easily refuted by a man of ability. The Duke spoke but so inaudibly that I c<sup>d</sup>. not catch a connected sentence. How the reporters manage I can't conceive: but they do give the debates almost verbatim. L<sup>d</sup>. Brougham's speech is given word for word as he delivered all its most striking passages.

June 1<sup>st</sup> Spent a most delightful day - At noon started in a carriage with M<sup>r</sup>. Brooking, Pemberton, Gillespie Junr., Provan & Bryan Robertson for Hampton Court. Passed the Duke of Northumberland's & Pope's Villa & innumerable seats & entered Bushy Park with its horse chestnuts in full bloom. The matchless beauty of this scene I shall never forget. The walks & gardens of the old Palace are in perfect order & stretch away in fine contrast with the bendings of the River & avenues of noble trees. I have seen nothing in America that



comes within a hundred degrees of this. I must return here another day with Anne & Marg<sup>t</sup> & examine the Palace at our leisure. At 5 we reached the Star & Garter said to be the best hotel in England & enjoyed from the magnificent room at the top the far famed view of Richmond Hill. The Canada Club had a sumptuous dinner, the most recherché, I think, I ever sat down to & I was called upon of course to reply to the toast in honor of N. Scotia. Henry Bliss acknowledged the one for New Brunswick & controverted tho' in polite terms, my opinions as to the necessity of a change in the government of the Lower Provinces. This I took occasion to reply to in proposing ye health of Sir James Kempt. This is the first time I ever heard Bliss - his deliberate style of speaking surprised & disappointed me. One of the members of the Club is a son of Bishop Stanser's to whom I was introduced - Sir D. McDougall, M<sup>r</sup> G. Robison, M<sup>r</sup> Garnett &c 29 in all were at the dinner.

2<sup>d</sup> Sunday Pat. Morris of Newf<sup>d</sup> called on me to day - a vulgar, mean looking man, but reported to have talent - he condemns the indiscreet violence of ye House at S<sup>t</sup> John but draws a picture of the Official faction of S<sup>t</sup> John not unlike our own. He has little hope of the Gov<sup>t</sup> here acting with wisdom or vigor - Sir Duncan M<sup>c</sup>dougall called to day & asked us to visit the United Service Club - M<sup>r</sup> Maitland who was at ye club yesty, accompanied him - I returned Cha<sup>s</sup> duncan's visit in John Street & found there M<sup>r</sup>s Starr & Miss Throckmorton who walked home with me. Their lodgings are at N<sup>o</sup> 306 Regent Street & they pay 8 guineas a week & keep a livery servant. The first fortnight also they had a carriage hired, w<sup>ch</sup> cost them 20/ a day - These are luxuries I can't afford - Huntington & Tremain spent the evening with us.

3<sup>d</sup> Went into the City - Called on Neville & Co & at the Alliance Office - saw M<sup>r</sup>Brooking - The feeling in the City is strongly conservative - The Queen's popularity is undoubtedly diminished. She was scarcely cheered at Ascot: Lord Melbourne was hooted: and it is plain that the Ministry by their want of union common sense & firmness have fallen into contempt. At 5 Huntington & I went to the House of Commons, & heard Lord J<sup>o</sup> Russell introduce his absurd Canada resolutions. To continue the Military Gov<sup>t</sup> & the anomalous powers of the Special Council in Lower Canada till 1842 & postpone the union with Upper Canada till then is what the British party will not submit to, to say nothing of the French. This precious scheme of the do-nothing was ably attacked by Ch<sup>s</sup> Buller, M<sup>r</sup> Hume & Sir Rob<sup>t</sup> Peel

& will find favor with neither side. Hume is a strait-forward sensible speaker with no eloquence, but is regarded as the head of the Radicals & wields a very considerable influence. About 70 are supposed to respect him as their Leader. He lives in a handsome house in Bryanstone Square & has £4 or 5,000 a year derived chiefly from his wife. M<sup>r</sup> Buller speaks well & forcibly & I am surprised he has not a larger reputation - he is admitted in the last Quarterly in their rascally article on Lord Durham's report to be a man of ability & honor - in his speech tonight he defended the principle of making the Executive Council responsible & alluded to M<sup>r</sup> Huntington & myself being in the gallery. Lord J<sup>o</sup> Russell as a speaker disappointed me beyond measure - he is not over fluent & with us w<sup>d</sup> rank only as a fourth or fifth rate - He commanded scarce any attention & the members all the while were moving in & out & chatting - The Speaker called order half a dozen times & Lord John paused now & then & sucked the four quarters of an orange. His friends say he has lost his spirit & is completely broken down by the loss of his wife - whatever the cause may be, he shews little of perspicuity & less of force - The only redeeming trait in his manner is an air of sincerity & candour w<sup>ch</sup> leaves a very favorable impression. He is no Orator but writes well, as witness his last letter on the Reform bill. Sir Rob Peel is by far the best speaker in the House - so say his admirers & so say I from what I have hitherto heard. His voice is audible & commanding - his gesture & tones emphatic & his air that of a man who feels his superiority as the head of a powerful party. He gave the Ministerial scheme little quarter & nobody rose to defend it. The way in w<sup>ch</sup> the two Leaders beat upon the table & talked to or at each other struck me as very remarkable. I stayed till midnight & heard another debate - M<sup>r</sup> Wakley delivered as violent a philippic against lawyers & in much the same strain as I have often heard in our own house. M<sup>r</sup> Hawes, M<sup>r</sup> Clay, Sir Rob: Inglis, M<sup>r</sup> Darby M<sup>r</sup> Fox Maule &c &c also spoke: & I can only say that were I in the House, I sh<sup>d</sup> think it no great presumption to cope w<sup>th</sup> them.

4. Having no answer to our letter of May 29, 30 we called at the Colonial office & sent in our cards to M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere - he was too much engaged to see us & we were sent for by his Private Secy who knows nothing of our business & to whom we explained our anxiety to be doing something - He was courteous & promised to represent our wishes to his Principal - M<sup>r</sup> Brooking having advised me to attend the Queen's levee, I wrote a note to Col. Yorke signifying my desire to be presented as a delegate & saw him to day when he told me I



must leave my card at the Lord Chamberlain's office "as a Member of Assembly" not as a delegate. Now I am uncertain if I ought to do this, having no faith in the Colonel & party for this reason & partly to save 3 guineas which the hire of a Court dress would cost besides another for a coach, I have decided not to go at present. Perley & B. Robinson are going.

Dined at Cha<sup>s</sup>. Archibald's - Met there very old & rich fellows, a M<sup>r</sup>. Mallock & his wife (vulgarians) the great M<sup>r</sup>. Holford &c &c. The entertainment elegant & costly. The house not spacious but handsome. Our host & hostess as kind as they could be.

5. Called a third time at N<sup>o</sup>. 13 Cleaveland Row & saw Lord Durham. Found Ch<sup>s</sup>. Buller with him - Talked over the Canada resolutions & the prospects of a rational settlement, which are distant enough. His Lordship promised to send for me again.

Had a long talk when we came out with M<sup>r</sup>. Buller - he thinks the Provinces will be lost & that very few whether Tories or Whigs care a straw about them. The prevailing feeling according to him is indifference. Their interests & fate are lost sight of amid graver questions & the strife of parties at home. Lord Durham's policy will not be adopted, and no other will keep them. Went into the City & saw Chapman & Co - M<sup>r</sup>. Brooking &c. In the evening wrote a long letter to go by Packet tomorrow for George - Put up a dozen copies of the Sun newspaper for my friends in Hfx. & the County of Inverness.

6. Went into the City - with Marg<sup>t</sup> & attended the great Charity-school Celebration in S<sup>t</sup>. Paul's Cathedral. 6000 children were present, ranged on forms like an amphitheatre - they were all in their respective forms & looked healthy, happy and clean - their voices combined in chanting the hymns were highly pleasing. The Cathedral was crowded with well dressed people - not one pretty woman to my taste or Margaret's to be seen.

We went next to the Guildhall & admired the odd figures of Gog & Magog w<sup>ch</sup> are burnished & gilt in first style - & the beautiful monuments of Nelson, Chatham & Pitt, by far the noblest specimens of Sculpture I have ever seen. The figures want only the living principle to move & breathe. Some of the paintings in the Council Chamber are beautiful. At night rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Labouchere & at 10 o'clock Anne & I went to M<sup>r</sup>. Holford's fancy ball. His house is in the Regent Park & cost £60,000 - The suite of rooms is splendid

& the dancing hall has an ornamented gallery round & round from w<sup>ch</sup> you can look down on the gay assemblage below & a lofty dome of stained glass. The gilded furniture, mirrors & casts, tho' much inferior to those of the Nobility, have an air of luxury & opulence, w<sup>ch</sup> makes our Gov<sup>t</sup> House look poor indeed. The Company with few exceptions were in fancy dresses, & many of the ladies very rich. The whole entertainment, the supper with all sorts of delicacies (plovers' eggs being the favorite) oceans of champagne & burgundy, ices &c was on a splendid scale. We got home in Colonel de Buren's carriage at ½ past 3, most heartily tired - a little of this dissipation is enough for us -

7<sup>th</sup> I found time at last this morning to visit Westminster Hall - ran thro' the several Courts & saw the Judges seated in banco. Lords denham &                    struck me as the finest figures among them - Called on M<sup>r</sup> McDougall & John M<sup>c</sup>Grigor - Wrote M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere. At night went to a party at Cha<sup>s</sup> Archibald's - the rooms with gay folks quadrilling and waltzing, varied by some bravura singing, which I thought but little of. The supper handsome & the whole thing very pleasant. Loran D. Cochran, Geo. H. Starr, Watson, the Brookings, de Burens, Holford, Hy. A. Hill &c &c there. Scott Tremain came home with Marg<sup>t</sup> & me in the same Cab.

8. Mr. Huntington, Tremain, & I set off at 11 o'clock for Westminster - Visited the Female Orphan Asylum - an admirable institution, training 160 girls for domestic science between the age of 8 & 14 - every thing clean, plain & in perfect order. It is the establishments of this sort & they are numerous that shed true lustre on English manners. Went west to Bethlam (the succession of the old Bedlam) - an immense pile of building - visited all the wards - the patients belong to the poorer classes - & the style of the Establishment tho' in perfect trim & clean, far inferior to the Asylum at Hartford. From thence we proceeded to the Zoological Gardens in Surrey - saw the wild animals, the finest of w<sup>ch</sup> was a very large Kangaroo, & an ostrich 6 feet high - the most of them not to be compared to those in the Regent's Park. The view of Mount Hecla struck me as a capital imitation. Went down to tea in the evening at M<sup>r</sup> Brooking's.

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday. We went to the Spanish Chapel, Spanish Place - paid 1/ each & had a repetition of the Italian singing - a violent & bigotted sermon against the "pretended reformation" closed the entertainment. Spent a couple of hours in the Parks & in returning



visits - Read the last Quỳ Review containing a furious attack on L<sup>d</sup> Durham's report, conceived in the very worst party spirit - Drafted our reply to a letter we had last night from M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere.

10<sup>th</sup> Settled the terms of our reply. I called a fourth time on M<sup>r</sup> Rob: Stewart - found his nephew & himself apprehensive that Charles would join the Escheators in the Island. Had a consultation with M<sup>r</sup> Karlake as to Lady Rodney's Will. Wrote him with Journals & laws. Huntington & Tremain spent the evening at our lodgings -

11<sup>th</sup> Called with Rod M<sup>c</sup>donald on D<sup>r</sup> Griffiths, the Roman Catholic Bishop of London - a mild gentlemanly man - he professed a warm interest in the education of our people - Went into the City - & had letters & papers to the 12<sup>th</sup> from home - all well but George as I feared overworked - No time therefore to be lost here - Found to my surprise that Stewart & Wilkins had come in the Packet as delegates fm the Council - We will be ready for them. Cha<sup>s</sup> Archibald gave us a drive in his carriage to Kensington Gardens - Dined with M<sup>r</sup>. & M<sup>rs</sup> Lyons at their Lodgings - called to day on H. R. Hill with papers from Charles -

12<sup>th</sup> Huntington & I went to the houses of 8 or 10 Members of the Commons - Saw only M<sup>r</sup> Warburton & M<sup>r</sup> O'Connell - the former averse to Leg<sup>o</sup>. Councils in toto, & the latter as it appears to us, ready to part with us at a moment's warning. He promised to introduce us to M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere. Called on M<sup>rs</sup> Carter, Cha<sup>s</sup> Archibald & Bryan Robinson - Saw M<sup>r</sup> Reay to day - Wrote Neville & Co and Chapman & Co - Margt & I at M<sup>r</sup> Brookings to tea.

13: Spent three hours at accounts & Journals - Examined papers from George - Went to the H. of Commons & heard L<sup>d</sup> J<sup>o</sup> Russell introduce the Canada bill - The Leg<sup>o</sup>. Council to be in the old system, that is, as bad as it can be - The Provinces cut up into departments, in order, I suppose, to swamp the French - The whole indigested, unwise, & not even intended to be carried this session. There seems to be some infatuation in the dealing of the Ministry with these Colonial questions. Lord J<sup>o</sup> Russell's speech tonight was wholly inaudible in the gallery & scarcely listened to in the House. A few remarks were made by L<sup>d</sup> Stanley & Sir R. Peel & the debate was adjourned till to day - M<sup>r</sup>. & M<sup>rs</sup> Lyons were with Anne & Marg<sup>t</sup> all day & dined with us at our Lodging -



14<sup>th</sup> Spent the forenoon in the City - had a long interview with M<sup>r</sup>. Hoffer, Chapman & Co & M<sup>r</sup>. Lindsay in consequence of the loss of the Tobey's - Had a conversation in the evening with M<sup>r</sup>. Buller - he thinks Hume & the Members of that party have no influence whatever in the House & warned me not to be misled by their suggestions. We discussed Canadian & General politics & he promised to introduce me personally to M<sup>r</sup>. Labouchere, w<sup>ch</sup> M<sup>r</sup>. O'Connell has not had an opportunity of doing. M<sup>r</sup>. Buller tells me I have made a favorable impression at the Colonial office & that they look on my colleague as too violent & outspoken.

15<sup>th</sup> Went down with M<sup>rs</sup>. Young to M<sup>r</sup>. Henry's at Kensington to breakfast - a pretty place with an agreeable neighbourhood - John was to spend the day with some ladies at the Horticultural fete - At 2 o'clock I went to the great Poland meeting in Freemason's Tavern - the Duke of Sussex in the chair - Heard the Marquis of Breadalbane - Lord Sandor, Loftus, & Ch<sup>s</sup>. Fitzroy - Mr. Hume, M<sup>r</sup>. Wyse, M<sup>r</sup>. Denison, M.P., &c - not a tolerable speaker among them. Wyse vehement but prosy & mumbling - Hume clear headed but without a ray of eloquence - the rest mere common place. O'Connell spoke after I left. I regret I missed him - The Duke is a fine old gentleman & seems hearty in the assent to liberal opinions.

In the afternoon walked north to the outskirts at Regent's Park - handsome cottages - the Birmingham railway - Canal - nurseries - hotels &c - all attest opulence & taste.

16. Sunday. Accompanied M<sup>r</sup>. Huntington to Holborn & heard M<sup>r</sup>. Melville preach another charity sermon - It was much inferior in matter and delivery to the former & abated my admiration of his powers. The tone of it High church & Aristocratic. He derided the notions of Equality & preached contentment to the poor. The mechanic doing his duty uprightly & zealously was a servant of Christ as much as the Minister of the Gospel - After sermon we walked for an hour over S<sup>t</sup>. Giles, Monmouth Street &c & saw many filthy lanes & dark alleys. One must not judge of London by its finest streets - there is much of misery & dirt & squalid poverty in these back courts & narrow lanes.

At 3 o'clock went by appointment to Mr. Labouchere's house - he received me kindly & entered at once on the objects of our mission. I remained with him an hour & a half & put him in full possession of my

views as to our Governor, the Councils, Civil list, salaries. Wilkins & Stewart &c. Stewart, he had been told, was a whig! and it was evident to me that he had been fully primed as to the maintenance of ye present Councils, with some additions only, & of ye present salaries, making any reductions prospective. Still, he appears open to conviction, & his manner is candid & prepossessing. I told him we were perfectly aware of all ye influence at work against us, that of the Bishop, S. Cunard, Col. Yorke &c. The Gov<sup>t</sup> at least can no longer plead the want of full information. After dinner walked with Anne & Hunt<sup>n</sup>

17<sup>th</sup>. Went into the City - spent an hour & a half at the Alliance Office - Called at Lloyds for J<sup>as</sup> Dawson. Returned by way of Westminster - Called on Alex<sup>t</sup> Stewart & had a long conversation with him on Politics - he tried hard to persuade me his own had not changed. Read the 1<sup>st</sup> vol. of James Huguenot.

18. Wrote M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere - called on M<sup>r</sup> Meyer Colonial Librarian, a shrewd well-informed man, on M<sup>r</sup> Porter whom I found not only polite but cordial, & on M<sup>r</sup> McGrigor who is more than kind. Spent two hours in the Com.Pleas & Exchequer & heard some witnesses examined. Lord Abinger & Judge Coltman presided. In ye evening Anne Margt. & I went to the Opera. The crush was tremendous, & neither the Pit nor the ballet, M Taglione notwithstanding to my taste fit for lady visitors. I would not for my part give half a dozen good comic songs or pathetic Scottish airs for all the quavers & thrillings of Garcia or Grisi. Got home at 12 & enjoyed a piece of soused salmon & glass of port.

19. devoted the forenoon to J<sup>as</sup> Dawson's, R. Woodroffe's & P. Edw. papers. Wrote M<sup>r</sup> Staratt also Pollok Gilmour & Co with bill. Called on R. Stewart, found him in very good humour - Accompanied Anne & Marg<sup>t</sup> to the New Vauxhall gardens, Chelsea - The fire works were beautiful & the posture-making of an artist in that way amazing - he seemed to have no bones & turned his legs arms & body like a serpent. There must have been early & severe training to give this astonishing command over ye muscles. He finished by hanging himself up with a rope & remained suspended by the neck for a minute or two thirty feet from the ground.

20. Spent the morning in a minute examination of the Post Office papers & at 3 o'clock M<sup>r</sup> H<sup>on</sup> & I had a meeting by M<sup>r</sup> Labou-



chere's appointment with M<sup>r</sup> Fr<sup>s</sup> T. Baring at the Treasury. We discussed the whole subject & were much pleased with his remarks & manner. He asked us to write him & promised to refer our letter immediately to the Post Office. M<sup>r</sup> Wilkins came to see us to day & like Stewart took pains to convince me that he had never written in ye Times. They are anxious to keep on good terms & I know not why we sh<sup>d</sup> quarrel, tho' we differ so widely in the political purposes of our journey - We dined at M<sup>r</sup> Brookings & met Bryan Robertson & his better half, better in more senses than one - Went in a fly, charge for taking us there & home 5/ coachman 2/ - It's not the thing to go in a hack.

21. Was occupied all ye morning in preparing our letter on the post office - At 2 o'clock went into the City & walked without intermission till 8. Perambulated all the Eastern part of the City - by Houndsditch, Somerset Street, the Tower, Catharine & London docks, Wapping, the Commercial road, Blackwall, Mile End, Whitechapel, Bricklane, Spitalfields, Smithfield &c. Wapping & the lanes in the neighbourhood are narrow & dirty with a villainous smell - the docks are vast & useful with forests of shipping - a new town of wide streets, handsome houses, squares &c is springing up on the Commercial road and extending to the E & W India docks. Spitalfields is an aggregate of wretched places peopled by a wretched looking race - Field land is ye receptacle of stolen hkfs, shoes, &c & has been painted to the life in Oliver Twist. I wound up this long but not fatiguing walk by waiting at the post office till the Mail coaches started at 8 o'clock - they have been much reduced in number by the rail roads - Called on Jos Starr this eve - & spent the evening at old M<sup>r</sup>s Brookings's.

22. despatched our letter in the post office with copies of the documents w<sup>ch</sup> we had engrossed - charge 1½<sup>d</sup> a sheet of 72 words.

Spent two hours in the Polytechnic Institution, Regent Street - This is a recent idea & admirably executed - You enter a hall where various manufactures are going on, allowing the visitors the opportunity of inspection - Next you ascend to the exhibition-room the sides of which are lined with various curiosities & specimens of new manufactures - The centre is occupied by a stream of running water, with locks in stone, mill machinery, ships of different Kinds & a small steamer working of itself round a deep ford about 15 feet diameter & 20 feet in depth. Here the diving bell descends at 4 o'clock costg 6 persons at 1/ a head & we saw a vessel fixed at the bottom blown to



pieces by the voltaire battery - At 2 o'clock we had a lecture on the formation of Gas - A ton of Newcastle coal yields F500 feet, beside coal-tar & ammonia. Kennel coal yields the most - The gas is purified by passing thro' cylinders coatg lime, w<sup>ch</sup> becomes saturated with ammonia & tar & must be changed every 5 or 6 hours - The lecture was illustrated by experiments & the difference shewn between Hydrogen & Oxygen gas.

Among the exhibitions is Martins original picture of the deluge - a magnificent work - & a wax representation of the rising of our Saviour beautifully done. We saw also the Lithographer Press working & the action of the Pneumatic Telegraph - I must return here again - In the evening saw the model of the Battle of Waterloo - This is a surprising proof of perseverance - the fruit of 17 year's labour & an expenditure of £5000: The representation is exact to the most minute particular & with ye explanation of the attendant gives a most accurate idea of ye field.

23. Sunday. Went to M<sup>r</sup> Gillespie's seat in the Scotch National Church (formerly Irving's) Regent's Square - a handsome building but too spacious for its present occupant - & heard M<sup>r</sup> Moreland - he is young, energetic in delivery & composes well, but feels oppressed by a sense of inferiority to his predecessor & means to return to Scotland. In the afternoon wrote up my Journal to yesterday, read The Huguenot, & chatted with Huntington & the ladies. I omitted to mention on Thursday that M<sup>r</sup> Baring introduced us to M<sup>r</sup> Spring Rice, who said some civil things about our Province & the value of the Colonies.

24. Called on M<sup>r</sup> Buller - he read me part of a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Daly Provincial Sec<sup>y</sup> Lower Canada approving highly of Lord Durham's report & stating that no other principle but making the Council responsible would ever satisfy the British population of the Canadas. M<sup>r</sup> Buller votes with the Liberals but has no faith in the wisdom or firmness of the Administration - he discussed very freely their mistakes & inconsistencies - I sat with him for an hour & asked an order for admission tonight to the gallery of the Commons w<sup>ch</sup> he gave me & I went there at 5. The debate was the last on the Educational vote of £30,000 & was Kept up until ½ after 11. Crosswell delivered an effective speech full of hard hits at the Ministry & was answered by Shiel, a truly Irish Speaker, rapid, fiery, but pathetic & forcible by turns. "Suffer little children to come unto me" was beautifully wrought up and elicited tumultous plaudits. Lords Mahon, Teignmouth,

M<sup>r</sup> Goulburn & M<sup>r</sup> Litton are all tolerable speakers - L<sup>d</sup> Teignmouth clear & fluent, Goulburn impressive but ungainly. M<sup>r</sup> Baines on ye other side expresses himself well, without eloquence. This debate raised my ideas of the capacity & talent of the Commons, tho' Sir Rob Peel & Lord Stanley took no part in it. The vote was carried 276 to 274 - a bare majority of two - yet Ministers acted on it & the Tories did not press it to a second division. I received letters & papers to the 1<sup>st</sup> inst to-day from Halifax - All well - the papers violent in abusing both parties - I do hope we will put an end to this spirit by settling the questions in dispute.

25. Started at ½ past 5 o'clock & walked up the Edgeware St. John's Wood roads & round by the Regent Park - handsome houses & fine views at every step. The glimpse on the edge of the Zoological Gardens, including Primrose Hill is exquisite. After breakfast went into the City - called on M<sup>r</sup> Duff & at the Alliance Office - also on M<sup>r</sup> Hy. R. Hill, M<sup>r</sup> Brooking &c. Went to dinner at M<sup>r</sup> Carters Sussex Place - an elegant house splendidly furnished, rent 200 guineas - M<sup>rs</sup> C. being in delicate health, we had no party. At 10 were driven to Ch<sup>s</sup> Archibald's - met the Duke of Brunswick, M<sup>r</sup> Webster, the Bishop of N. Scotia, Sam Cunard, two or three Barons & a large & fashionable party - Waltzes, quadrilles, Italian airs, ices, rich wines & an elegant supper filled up the night - Came home at 2 o'clock heartily tired.

26. M<sup>r</sup> Buller having advised us to go to Court, I applied to Col. Yorke on Monday & sent in my card to the Lord Chamberlain's office - Received a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere & spent two hours with M<sup>r</sup> Huntington investigating the question of free ports. At 11 went with Marg & Anne to M<sup>r</sup> Starr's - found he was going to an Irish dinner at Blackwall - At ½ past one dressed for the Court - embroidered waistcoat, black breeches & silk stockings, coat with fancy steel buttons, bag & sword, a cocked hat - all this looked ridiculous enough yet I doubt if it would be wise to abolish it - The general effect too is handsome - I hired the clothes for the day from Hudson & Falconer, charge M<sup>r</sup> Stewart, Wilkins & I went together in a carriage & pair with two servants and were set down inside the Palace gates. The interior of S<sup>t</sup> James, lofty, spacious and elegant, presents a striking contrast to the outside w<sup>ch</sup> is more like a prison than a palace. The attendants were in the old fashioned garb of Henry 8<sup>th</sup>'s time with halberts & square hats. When the receiving chamber was full, the military dress was worn by three fourths at least of the Company. Many however



were Civilians in the uniform of Lord Lieutenants of Counties or their Deputies. There was a great crush to get into the second receiving room. A tall gentleman was just before me, whom I discovered from the card he held in his hand to be the Duke of Rutland with a conservative address - the Earl of Winchelsea, M<sup>r</sup> Stuart Watby & several other noblemen & members of Parliament were near with similar addresses. From the second receiving room you pass to the Presence Chamber & I had a full view of the whole ceremony. The Lord in waiting stands on the left & receives & reads aloud each person's card as he advances in turn. Most persons knelt down as I did & holding up the right hand kissed the Queen's w<sup>ch</sup>. Her Majesty laid or put into theirs - then rising retracted backwards & so into the second chamber again by another door. Some persons I observed contented themselves with bowing low & passed on. The Queen's expression is more intellectual & becoming than any picture I have seen - her hand was cold, & she looked timid & rather embarrassed. Some hundred visitors passed through besides those who have the privilege of the Entree & whom I did not see. Several ladies & officers with staves around the Queen - The canopy under w<sup>ch</sup> I suppose she stood on great occasions is at one end of the Chamber. I went thro' the whole affair with perfect sang froid, looking upon it as a farce not without its uses. Our Bishops Wilmot & Peters from S<sup>t</sup> John's were there, the two latter in Court dress.

In the evening I went over to Astley's halfprice - & I saw a wonderful exhibition of dancing on the slack rope, equestrian performances &c. The feats of dogs & monkeys were surprising. But I was tired of the whole thing before it was half over will scarce be tempted to return.

27: The ladies & I went thro the United Service Club with Sir Orin McDougall - It is really a palace, with every convenience & luxury. The staircase, pictures, view from the balcony in front, & drawing room, are all beautiful. M<sup>r</sup> Huntington & I went down to the Treasury at two & had a conversation with M<sup>r</sup> Gray, M<sup>r</sup> Baring's private Secretary, & M<sup>r</sup> Brant who has charge of the Colonial department. We talked over the subject of free ports & found M<sup>r</sup> Brant conversant with it & disposed to be communicative & polite. Wrote M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere on our return. Went thro' the Poet's corner, Westminster Abbey - some of the statues & monuments are striking & beautifully executed. Others are in very bad taste - Read the first vol. of Miss Martineau's Deerbrook, too full of philosophical reflection with too



little anecdote for a good novel.

28: Spent the day in the City - Bought our paper & stationary at Whytaker's - Saw M<sup>r</sup> Sharatt at Gray's Inn Coffee house & arranged for a sale of Woodroffe's property. Called at doctors Commons & proved John S. Morris' attestation of M<sup>r</sup> Tobin's will - Saw M<sup>r</sup> Rob Stewart & read him Charles' letter to George - At 2 accompanied M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Carter, Anne & Marg to the India House - Sir Rob Campbell received us & conducted us thro' the Museum, Cabinets of National History &c & gave us a handsome lunch - he is a gentleman of the old school. Tippoo Saib's organ, a Tiger with his claws fastened into the body of a man prostrate beneath him, indicates a truly barbaric taste - I inspected with interest the answer to a petition of the Compy in Oliver Cromwell's handwriting - he was a better soldier than penman. An Eastern picture of the King of Persia with his 24 sons all on horseback & hunting every variety of game is remarkable for the truth of its outlines & brilliancy of colouring. The Pelicans & other aquatic birds are curious for the enormous length of their bills - The Museum is entirely Asiatic & not so rich in curiosities as might have been expected. The building is now entirely a Military & Administrative Establishment - Imperium in Imperio - one of the anomalies of this wonderful country - Its commercial transactions are closed.

Dined with a party of gentlemen at M<sup>r</sup> Brooking's - old M<sup>r</sup> Gillespie, his son & nephew, M<sup>r</sup> Pemberton &c - all Tories & Bryan Robertson the bitterest among them.

29: Bought & read Lord Glenelg's dispatches to Sir F. B. Head - They are masterly productions, infinitely superior to those of the Mountebank as Sir Francis has been aptly called. Received an answer to a note I sent M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere appointing a meeting at his house tomorrow - dined at M<sup>r</sup> Geo. Robinson's - met S. Cunard, A. Stewart, M<sup>r</sup> Brooking &c. all Conservatives, as almost every one in this Colonial circle is. Sam & I exchanged very distant bows.

30: Sunday. Went down to Kensington & breakfasted with M<sup>r</sup> Nering - he wished to consult me about William, who is in a dangerous state; & gave me some insight into his affairs & habits - At ½ past 2 called on M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere & spent an hour & a half with him - I made him thoroughly acquainted with our condition, the character of our Councils & Governor, the changes that are indispensable &c &c. So far as I can judge, he has entire confidence in the sincerity & sound-

ness of my own views & is inclined to promote them. He is liberal in his politics & has the esteem of all parties - He consults me as to the new Canada Act w<sup>ch</sup> he sent me yesty - I am disposed to think well of it. Spent the evening with Hunt. at home.

July 1, Examined J<sup>as</sup> Dawson's papers & the addresses on Free Ports. Wrote Col. Maberly - At 10 o'clock went in full Court dress to the Caledonian Ball at Alcott's new Willis rooms. The Duke & Duchess of Cambridge, Duchess of Gloucester, Princess Augusta, Prince Esterhazy, Prince of Oude, the Persian Ambassador & a large number of the Nobility were of the party. Diamonds & jewels glittered all round. Highland reels were danced admirably with great spirit - The Marquis of Douglas excelled all competitors. Tickets to this ball were worth 5 guineas to day. I got mine for one thro' M<sup>r</sup> Duff. At 3 o'clock having seen all that was to be seen I walked quietly home & went to bed heartily tired.

2<sup>nd</sup> Spent the day, the fore part of it at least, in the City. Met two of the gentlemen interested in the Brig Joseph at Lloyds - Called at the Alliance Office & examined our acc<sup>ts</sup> - M<sup>r</sup> Huntington & I met Col. Maberly at the Post Office - he urged various objections to our Act w<sup>ch</sup> I agreed to modify - Saw M<sup>r</sup> Murdoch at the Colonial Office, and at 3 o'clock M<sup>r</sup> H<sup>d</sup> & I had a meeting at the Treasury with M<sup>r</sup> Baring - We discussed the whole question of Free ports, ye union of Customs & Excise, ye nominations of Custom House Officers & the expense of the Establishment. He declined shewing us M<sup>r</sup> Jeffrey's report on Free ports & it is plain to me that the Executive Council & Officers of Customs have far more influence than the Assembly. We promised to write the Lords of the Treasury on these several matters. Wrote George by Geo. H. Starr. In the evening bought a gold watch manufactured at Geneva (the first I ever owned) for £14 & chain & c £6 -

3<sup>d</sup> Anne Marg<sup>t</sup> & I, Anne Brooking & J<sup>o</sup> Nering went in an open carriage (hire for the day 35/) to Hampton Court & Richmond. The ladies were delighted, as who must not be, with the beauties of Bushy Park & the grounds at Hampton Court. We traversed the long suite of rooms, decorated with Royal state beds & paintings, of every variety of style & order of merit. Many of them are mere daubs - some exquisitely finished. We lunched at the Star & Garter & admired the splendid view from the Balcony at top. Returned at 7 o'clock & dined at home, having left M<sup>r</sup> Nering at Richmond, & George & Francis



Brooking joined us at dinner.

4. Called at the Colonial Office & applied for a copy of the Council's report of 11 May 1838. Went to the City for the first time by the New Road - Here a populous & completely new town opens on you, the fields appearing at the Northern ends of the streets. The shops are mostly of an inferior kind. Walked home by the same route - a distance of five miles - & surveyed it at my leisure. I called while in the City at Lloyds & read M<sup>r</sup> Dawson's letter as to the Tobago & wrote long letters to M<sup>r</sup> Tobin, George & Mother, & Charles - All of these but one to George went in the Governor's bag.

5<sup>th</sup> Drafted three letters to the Lords of the Treasury on the Free Ports, Union of Customs & Excise, & Flour duty. Drafted the Post Office act anew & wrote Col. Maberly. Spent the evening in walking about with the ladies, & reading Cha<sup>s</sup> Tyrrell.

6<sup>th</sup> Called at the Colonial office & procured a copy of the Ex<sup>o</sup>. Council's report on Free Ports May 11, 1838. Waited on Col. Maberly & discussed the question of the Post Office - he suggested a new idea in which we are inclined to acquiesce. On my return set out for the Horticultural Fete in Chiswick Gardens. Marg Anne & Geo. Brooking were with me. We went in an open carriage, charge 26/. driver 4/ tickets by special favor 5/ each, distance 5 miles. The Gardens were crowded & the display of plants, flowers & especially of fruit was really superb - The ladies were dressed as if for a ball room: much more gaily & richly than I have ever seen in the States. I walked about with M<sup>r</sup> Robinson "To look at the splendour of this display, said he, one would not think that we are perhaps on the eve of a revolution." Some hundreds of carriages were outside & some thousands of persons must have been in the gardens. Returned at 7 delighted with our excursion.

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Started with Margt. at 7 o'clock in the stage of Chelmsford, distance 27 miles. It is the County town in Essex, of moderate size & containing nothing remarkable except the Town-hall, a handsome building, & the Churchyard surrounded with houses opening directly on it without even a fence intervening.

Hired a carriage & went out to Newhall, 3 miles - It was a palace of Henry 8<sup>th</sup>, an old & very long building of brick, in good order, & beautifully clean inside. The Chapel is small but exquisitely



finished. The trees walks & lawns the very perfection of much beauty. The girls were delighted to see us & we took them for two hours & drove all around. The country is well cultivated & the Gentlemen's seats numerous & in high order. The average rent of good land does not exceed 20/ an acre - Laborer's wages 9/ to 10/ a week. A man is accounted well off when he can buy a bushel of wheat & have 3/ over on Saty. night. We examined part of the great rail road intended to run from Yarmouth to London. It is open to (Chelmsford) & we saw it carrying over a deep valley on high arches. The Coy. fear it will not pay beyond & it is said that Belgian capitalists mean to complete it so as to facilitate their intercourse with London. Spent the evening at the Inn & finished Cha.<sup>s</sup> Tyrrell. A violent storm of thunder & Lightning came on & threw Marg. into an agony of fear.

8<sup>th</sup> Came to town in the 7 o'clock coach, expense of journey 81/. Fell in with a Solicitor from Malden in the Coach. He told me that one Sol. in Chelmsford makes £5000, two £3000 & others £700 to £1000 a year, chiefly by the management of estates and conveyancing. He himself pays £50 a year for his house, keeps a horse & pony & three servants, & spends £5 to £600 a year. A gentleman with him declared that all the unentailed property in the Kingdom passed thro' the hands of the lawyers every twenty years. Finished and sent in our three letters to the Treasury. I called on M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere at the office & talked over the Civil list with him - found him more inclined than before to Keep up the salaries. Got him to appoint a meeting for us with Lord Normanby for Saty. next.

9<sup>th</sup> Went into the City & saw M<sup>r</sup> Colville & M<sup>r</sup> Hamilton - Spent some hours in Guildhall, Court of Exchequer - heard Pearson vs. Mills tried, an action of slander, Serj. Wyld for Plf. His close was very fair, not better however than I have often heard at our Bar. Sir Nich<sup>s</sup> Tyndal delivered a sleepy charge, not remarkably clear, a by no means fluent. The def. was fool enough to conduct his own case, verdict agt. him £150 - Prepared a new preamble to the post office act & wrote Col. Maberly. Wrote George by Leander Starr who sails in the morning in the Great Western, & has been figuring off here to his heart's content & at no small cost.

10<sup>th</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Hunt. & I went down to the Post Office & had another interview with Col. Maberly. He promised to send in a report shortly to the Treasury of what Lord Lichfield would recommend. devoted the rest of the day to a letter to Lord Normanby on all the subject matters

of our mission.

11<sup>th</sup> Finished & sent in our letter. These longer communications are copied for us by a law-stationer for 1½<sup>d</sup> a sheet of 72 words - Cost of this one 7/4. Wrote D. McFarlane Principal of Glasgow College on behalf of the Highland Socy. Called on the Marquis of Breadalbane but found him out of town. Called on Archdeacon Strachan whom I saw at Niagara - he gave me one of his pamphlets in favor of a legislative union of all the Provinces. Nobody from his manner & conversation would believe he was so violent a politician. J<sup>as</sup> R. Smith & Stewart came to see us to day & we had a warm debate. In the evening went down to the House of Commons & heard the Canada bill discussed by Sir. R. Peel, Sir E. Sugden, Ch<sup>s</sup> Buller, Goulburn &c. Peel's speech was a very lame one, his chief object as we thought being to embarrass the Gov<sup>t</sup> - Sir E. Sugden is a very different orator - Ch<sup>s</sup> Buller made by far the best speech of the night: he is the only one of them that knows our position & they are determined not to listen to him. What is said is perfectly true, that the Colonies are sacrificed to party spirit. We had an amusing scene with Smith O'Brien who tried to speak but was fairly put down by the most tremendous volley of Oh! Oh! deride & deride & shufflings you can possibly conceive. He stood manfully for a while but was obliged to yield.

12<sup>th</sup> Went into the City & saw M<sup>r</sup> Mortimer & others at Lloyd's. Called at M<sup>r</sup> Colville's & on M<sup>r</sup> Rothery whom I saw for a few moments. Was introduced by M<sup>r</sup> Smith to M<sup>r</sup> McQueen who gave us some new views on the Penny postage. Called with Marg on M<sup>rs</sup> May in Finsbury Square. Wrote M<sup>r</sup> Baring for Geo. Turner. Examined our papers & read Lord Glenelg's dispatches for tomorrow's interview & agreed on a plan of operation with M<sup>r</sup> Hunt.

13<sup>th</sup> Went to the Colonial office at ½ past 12 - found M<sup>r</sup> Stewart & M<sup>r</sup> Wilkins there. Our interview lasted for about two hours - Lord Normanby & M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere received us - On our return spent three hours in preparing a mem<sup>o</sup> of what was said.

D<sup>r</sup> Strachan returned my visit to day & concurs with me in thinking that the supineness & apathy of the Gov<sup>t</sup> will lose the Canadas. Read part of James Robber & went for the ladies in the evening to M<sup>r</sup> Brooking's.

14 Sunday. Scott Tremain & I called together on M<sup>r</sup> Smith &



Rob. Lawson. We intended to have gone to the Scotch church Covent Garden but as there was no crowd concluded there was nothing to be heard above common & did not go in. Smith lives at the Tavistock a handsome hotel but expensive. I called on M<sup>r</sup>. Wyse Member for Waterford, a little smart looking man, noted chiefly by his Zeal for education. He urged me to go to the great Catholic meeting tomorrow w<sup>ch</sup>. I promised to do & to state the results of our experience in N. Scotia. Called also on M<sup>r</sup>. Buller - Saw his father only, who is at a loss to understand Lord Durham's policy & absolute silence in the Lords - he has gone to Cowes & suffered himself to sink quietly into oblivion - Why he does so, we may by & bye find out.

15<sup>th</sup> Went to the Colonial office at ½ past 12 - Lord Normanby & M<sup>r</sup>. Labouchere received us at ¼ to 2 & we remained till 4. All four of us there & having exhausted all that can be said as to the Councils we took leave. I proceeded from thence to the Catholic Meeting where I intended to speak, but found it impossible to reach the platform. The great hall at Freemason's Tavern was crowded to excess - I hustled among the eager & excited auditors till my patience & strength failed me but was rewarded by hearing a characteristic speech of the great don. He is violent & sarcastic, humorous withal, & rises now & then into bursts of eloquence. This audience he wielded at will. The faces of some of them were an amusing study.

16<sup>th</sup> Accompanied Anne & Marg<sup>t</sup> to the National Gallery - The collection of pictures very rich & extensive. Christ healing the Sick by West is the most striking. We spent two hours here delightfully. Called at the Treasury & saw M<sup>r</sup>. Baring - also at the Col. office & applied for a copy of M<sup>r</sup>. Huskisson's despatch, devoted the rest of the day to the ladies & dined with them at M<sup>r</sup>. Brookings.

17<sup>th</sup> Was two or three hours at the report of our interviews. Called at the Col. office, on M<sup>r</sup>. Rob Stewart & J<sup>o</sup>. MacBriar - his views for the education of his son were capital. Dined with a large party at Mr. Robinson's - Mr. Dowie, Chapman, Pemberton - A Stewart & c were there - also M<sup>r</sup>. Walter George's friend whom I did not recognize having never seen him before - he is a bit of a whig, a rarity in this society.

18: Went to the City & called on M<sup>r</sup>. Colville - Called also on Isaac Winslow, Jnr. & saw his wife. Had a conversation in the afternoon with M<sup>r</sup>. Brande at the Treasury as to Free Ports & currency. Was occupied in the evening with Journal & report of meeting. M<sup>r</sup>. George



19<sup>th</sup> Called on Stewart & Colville but could not arrange a meeting. Went into the City & visited the wine vaults at London & Saint Katherine's docks. Called on M<sup>r</sup>. Baring for Geo Turner & urged his claims. Hunt. & I saw M<sup>r</sup>. Labouchere at the Col. office & he appointed a meeting on Tuesday next on the Civil Act & land bill. J & B Nering & Perley were with us to day.

20 Sailed in the Juno steamer with Marg<sup>t</sup> for Cork, my object being to escort her as far as Portsmouth. Saw Greenwich, Gravesend, Deal, the white cliffs of Dover &c. read The Kings Own & off the Foreland became seasick & tumbled in. Fare to Cork 53/6 & Portsmouth 15/ besides meals. Cabin handsomely fitted up - not a third of of the berths occupied. Passengers go as far as Portsmouth in 6 hours for 12/ by railway -

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday. We reached Portsmouth at 7 o'clock - time 23 hours - distance by sea 220 miles. Took an affectionate leave after the approved fashion of Marg<sup>t</sup> & landed at the Quebec Hotel. Sallied out for 3 hours after breakfast & surveyed the old town, Portsea, Southsea, the fortifications &c. They are dirty places enlivened by very few really good buildings. The moat runs all around & can be filled with water in a short time, but I should think it a poor defence. St. Thomas' Church in the High Street traces its origin to the 11<sup>th</sup> century. There is nothing else in the town worthy of notice. At Gosport on the opposite side stands the immense pile of the Victualling office w<sup>ch</sup> I will not be able to visit. At 4 o'clock, having read the papers & written up my Journal for two hours, I crossed in a small steam packet to the Isle of Wight - distance 5 miles, fare 1/6 - The town Ryde is made up of hotels & cottages to let & being an exceedingly pretty place & healthy is much frequented in the fine season. I walked about the adjoining fields w<sup>ch</sup> are well cultivated & undulated beautifully & re-crossed at 7. In the evening amused myself in the High Street w<sup>ch</sup> is almost as much thronged as Piccadilly, but with a crowd of an inferior caste.

22<sup>nd</sup> At ten was admitted to the dockyard - all that is required is the signing of your name in a book & the assurance that you are a British subject - a large party went round under charge of one of the police who evidently expected & would have taken a gratuity tho' liable to be dismissed for receiving it. We inspected the Rope walks, shipping & docks, the melting & rolling of Copper, the celebrated block machinery &c, all w<sup>ch</sup> I described succinctly on my return to the

Hotel in a letter for George & Mother to go by H.M.S. Wanderer. The Yard is more extensive being 110 acres & employs more hands than Plymouth, there being now 2000 workmen & 5 to 600 convicts but it wants the air of cleanliness & beauty - At 1 o'clock set out in the Times for London & arrived at 9, distance 70 miles, fare outside 15/. Passed thro' Petersfield, Cobham & Guildford, the latter a very old & rather a fine town. The country an almost uninterrupted succession of sterile heaths & downs - I w<sup>d</sup>. not have believed that 70 miles of such land were in England. M<sup>r</sup> M. Sharatt -

23<sup>rd</sup> Went into the City & saw Lewis Way. Called on M<sup>r</sup> Colville where I was to have met M<sup>r</sup> R. Stewart but did not find him. At 2 o'clock M<sup>r</sup> Hunt. & I had an hour's conversation with M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere on the Civil list & land bill & put him in full possession of our views. Anne and I visited M<sup>r</sup> Nering in the afternoon at Kensington & in the evening took tea at M<sup>r</sup> Brooking's - Had a letter to day from George, my return I find anxiously expected, & aid in the business much wanted - I wish from my heart I were done here - Longer than Sept. I will not wait.

24<sup>th</sup> Drafted land bill & letter to M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere - Called at the Colonial office & saw M<sup>r</sup> Murdoch. Saw also M<sup>r</sup> Baring at the Treasury as to free ports & G. Turner's claim. Spent the evening in chatting & walking about with the Ladies.

25. Met Lewis Way by appointment in the City but was unable to effect a settlement. Hunt<sup>n</sup>, Tremain & I then visited the London docks & Tower. The Horse Armory, room where Sir Walter Raleigh was imprisoned for 12 long years, first cannon used by the English, curiously & elaborately - wrought great gun from Malta & many other objects are well worth seeing. The Crown jewels I did not visit - it costs 3/ & was represented to me as a bit of a humbug. Anne & I dined at M<sup>r</sup> Brooking's & spent a pleasant evening in their society. Tomorrow morning I start for Lichfield.

26. At 6 a.m. started by Train for Birmingham & arrived at 11 - distance 112 miles. The railway not so steady as the best American ones - I could read with more ease between New York & Phil<sup>a</sup> or Baltimore & Washington. The line passes thro' Tring, Coventry &c - It has five tunnels, the longest 2250 yards. The highest excavation is 65 feet, the cost of the whole exceeds 5 millions or £50,000 a mile. On landing at Birmingham I walked for a couple of hours about the town.



The streets are mostly narrow & dirty - The Town hall, Fine grammar school & one or two other buildings are handsome. Visited Collis & Co, Jennings & Co & Porter's show rooms & factories. Saw at the first the model of the Warwick Vase & at the second the whole process of the papier maché, w<sup>ch</sup> is extremely simple & very beautiful in its results. It employs here 140 hands, half of them women. The articles are dear, Tables 50 guineas, screens £10 a fold, card case for Anne at 15/. At Porter's rooms I bought plated dish covers, soup tureen &c, invoice £35. The pieces less than in London by 25 per cent. At 4 started by coach for Lichfield, distance 16 miles, fare outside 3/- rail road fare first class 30/- second 20/. Visited M<sup>r</sup> Sharatt, inspected the Cathedral & D<sup>r</sup> Johnson's statue, & walked about the town till 9. Going down had some conversation with the Coachman, a pretty shrewd fellow, much exasperated against the London Police & a warm advocate of the Chartists. He represented them as determined to assert their rights to a more equal participation of the good things they produce, by force, & thought there would be another & more dangerous outbreak so soon as the troops were withdrawn. He was convinced that a large body would assemble to release their Secretary Lovett now incarcerated in Warwick gaol. A house is now building near Lichfield so situated as to admit of cannon on top & command the highway. The present excitement may wear away or be put down as has often happened before, but the combination is more systematic and extensive than on any former occasion, & some concessions I think must be made to appease the working classes & reconcile them to their fate.

27<sup>th</sup> Walked thro' the Cathedral. It is smaller than Exeter, but a beautiful building in high order. The stained glass is mostly modern, some of the larger windows cost £800. A small corner of this church w<sup>ch</sup> once attracted the united population of the whole country around, is now all that is in use. The body of the Cathedral remains only for show - It has not been preached in for 50 years. For all serviceable purposes, a parish church that would hold 500 persons w<sup>d</sup> answer as well. Yet here is an establishment kept up of dignified well paid Clergymen who have absolutely nothing to do. Then there are the Choral men, 12 in number who are a distinct corporation dividing about £1500 a year among them, whose duty it is twice a day to chant the service in the inhabited corner of the Cathedral to empty benches or at best a few old women. The Bishop does not reside here, having a Castle in another part of his diocese. His palace close by is therefore let. The dean has £2 to £3000 a year - six Canons now reduced to



four, have £5 to £700 a year apiece, for which two month's residence is required, but little or no preaching even then. There are also Prebendaries with so much, the whole affair being a nest of Sinecures for the younger sons of the Nobility & Gentry - Hence among nobler motives the zeal for the maintenance of the Church And hence too, the resolution w<sup>ch</sup> such abuses have created & are gradually extending for its reform. The Church Com<sup>rs</sup> have abolished two of the canonics & others, I suppose, will follow.

At 2 o'clock went out with M<sup>r</sup>. Sharatt & inspected Woodroffe's property. Held the auction as advertized at Whittington, but could not obtain the limited price. Returned to Lichfield at 9 o'clock & to Birmingham by mail w<sup>ch</sup> we reached at 11.

28. Sunday. After breakfast perambulated the town till ½ past 11. It has greatly disappointed me & seems much of a piece with Portsmouth. I did not see a tolerable street in it. Went to S<sup>t</sup>. Thomas Church - The gallery filled with charity children & the sermon so-so.

At ½ past 1 started by the Train & arrived at ½ past 7 - The motion slower to day & more agreeable. I read all the way a volume of Urquhart's Spirit of the East w<sup>ch</sup> a fellow passenger had. It contains many striking passages but seems to me rather a dull book. It did not engage me so closely as to prevent my running my eyes at every opening over the richly cultivated & verdant country w<sup>ch</sup> runs along the greater part of the way and renders this a very agreeable drive.

Found Anne expecting my arrival & spent the time till ½ past 10 in walking about & admiring the well dressed crowds & perpetual succession of cabs "busses" & carriages that thronged Regent Street & Pall Mall. And so ends this my 40 birth day.

29<sup>th</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Huntington & I saw M<sup>r</sup>. Labouchere at the Col. office who promised us an answer as to the Councils & Civil list in a few days. He gave us a note to M<sup>r</sup>. Le Marchant Sec<sup>y</sup>. of the Board of Trade to whom we delivered it, & agreed to meet M<sup>r</sup>. Poulett Thompson at 2 o'clock on Wedn<sup>y</sup>. I had a long conversation afterwards with M<sup>r</sup>. Baring on Geo Turner's case, the payment of duties &c. Called on J<sup>o</sup>. Wallace & Jas. R. Smith at the Tavistock - J<sup>o</sup>. B Nering dined & spent the evening with us.

30<sup>th</sup> Called on the Stewarts & saw David for the first time since my arrival. Agreed to go back to dinner at 7. Called again on Messrs. Wallace & Smith to invite them to go with us on Thursday to Windsor Castle which M<sup>r</sup>. Labouchere gave me a card for. Went with Anne to Kensington to call on M<sup>r</sup>. Nering & look out for suitable lodgings - Could find none to our mind, so I must continue for the present to pay 4 gn<sup>s</sup>. a week. At Stewarts met a Capt Armstrong from M<sup>r</sup>. Fox's estate near Sligo & learned from him & David Stewart many surprising facts illustrative of ye state of Ireland. No protestant, they declared, ever went out even in day light, unarmed. M<sup>r</sup>. S. always carries a pair of loaded pistols & a small pocket one beside ready for use. The hatred & bigotry of the lower Catholics they described as appalling & their own detestation of them appeared to me. Such horrid passions must end in convulsions. For their parts they anxiously desired a Rebellion! as the only means of restoring the Protestant ascendancy & putting down the villainous intriguing Priesthood, as they scrupled not to call them. M<sup>r</sup>. S. is the most ultra Tory & the greatest talker I have met with. There is no safety he thinks for England, till the Papists, especially the 36 perjured scoundrels! are banished fm. Parliament & he seems really to believe that this is to happen. As for the present Administration, no terms were too strong to express his scorn & detestation. He would not sit in the same room with Lord Normanby: & Lords Melbourne & Palmerston were a couple of unprincipled Knaves! This is a specimen of the party violence that is now raging in this Country to an extent not surpassed in the U. States. I need never be told of the violence of democracy again. The two parties hate & abuse each other here with an intensity & fury that throws even the far-west into the shade. M<sup>r</sup>. Stewart gave me some curious anecdotes of the rise of the Baring family, the Hopes and (Augersteins,) the intended removal of their pictures &c. In the evening, M<sup>r</sup>. Walter formerly the Editor of the Times & M.P. for Berkshire came in - a quiet gentlemanly old man, with few indications of ye talent w<sup>ch</sup> all knowledge him to possess. He has a splendid property in Berkshire & asked me to go down & visit him, w<sup>ch</sup> I will not be able to do.

31<sup>st</sup> Spent the morning in exam<sup>g</sup> the papers of our interview with M<sup>r</sup>. Poulett Thompson. Effected a settlement too with Lewis Way for J<sup>as</sup>. Black - Messrs Wallace & Smith called - the former seems to be deriving little satisfaction at the Customs.

Wrote Col. Maberly to hasten his report on the Post Office &



called on M<sup>r</sup> Baring on the same subject & to ask a copy of the scale of salaries settled in 1833 for the Customs, w<sup>ch</sup> he promised & sent me tonight. Had to wait an hour before we saw M<sup>r</sup> Thompson & discussed with him for  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an hour the drawback, chocolate & Ins<sup>ce</sup> bills. These will be adjusted to our wishes. M<sup>r</sup> T. is a clear headed unassuming man & as we agreed fully in the general principle, we had little difficulty in the application. He is to meet us again this week on the Free Ports, the Treasury having omitted to send him our letter of the 8<sup>th</sup> as M<sup>r</sup> Baring had promised. Called on M<sup>r</sup> Blande at the Treasury to have it sent. Frank & Anne Brooking spent an hour with us & I spent the evening in writing up my Journal to this point, arranging my papers, drawing Power of Atty. for Brig Joseph &c & at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 11 wound up & went to bed at Anne's solicitation, as a special treat. It has rained all day, as indeed it has almost every day this month, & Anne having been unable to get out of feeling rather dull, notwithstanding a pot of porter & a supper of bread and cheese, has sat down beside me & insists that I sh<sup>d</sup>. throw down my pen & go to bed. So here I am off for the night, we only wish it was to our own snug place at home.

Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 9 M<sup>r</sup> Huntington Anne & I (Mess. Smith & Wallace being unable to go) set out by railway for Windsor Castle & were whisked along at the rate of 25 miles an hour to Strand - whole distance 22 miles, charge including omnibus at both ends  $\frac{5}{6}$  each. Passed Eton College, an ancient looking pile, on our way - 550 boys are now educating in this aristocratic establishment - it must be confessed that the situation is admirably chosen for inspiring ideas of that sort. The magnificent castle that frowns above & traces its descent to the Conqueror stirs up in young hearts the pride of lineage & of noble blood. This Castle is worthy of ye name, its extent, commanding position, noble terraces, old & new & long drawn avenues of trees strike the imagination as truly royal. The material, however, a sort of round stone, is not to be compared to the polished granite so much in use here or to the marble of the Continent. Our State order gave us admission to the private apartments, except those of the Queen herself w<sup>ch</sup> are admissible to no one. The Corridor filled with rich furniture, pictures & statues, the oak breakfast room, the Duchess of Kent's suite of apartments with its double reflecting mirrors, gilt bed & satin bolsters, the white, green & crimson drawing rooms (the last of these ye most magnificent) the dining hall with the silver-gilt wine-cooler w<sup>ch</sup> cost Geo 4; , an extravagant voluptuary as he was, - 10,000 guineas, the spacious kitchen with its hot air & tin dresser &

its 30 cooks & the room filled with gold and silver gilt plate of unknown value were all inspected by us & taught us to think little of any ordinary display w<sup>ch</sup> falls so far short of this regal profusion - We then proceeded to the State apartments w<sup>ch</sup> are open to the public for a moderate fee. The Ball room I think is equal, & S<sup>t</sup> George's Hall with its emblazoned coats of arms of the Knights of ye Garter is superior to any of the private rooms. Waterloo Hall is also a striking object - Sir J<sup>as</sup> Kempt, we observed, occupies a corner - the likeness is admirable. The pedestal for Nelson's bust in the Anteroom is an appropriate idea - the mainmast of the Victory, perforated with shot & clamped with irons - There are several ancient suits of armour here w<sup>ch</sup> confirmed my conclusion at the Tower, that the average stature of men has increased in the last two centuries. Neither in height nor in girth w<sup>d</sup> most of these suits receive ye soldiers of the present day. M<sup>r</sup> H. & I ascended the Round Tower, w<sup>ch</sup> is 295 feet above the Park & 136 above the Court yard. The view fm. the top, I sh<sup>d</sup>. suppose, can hardly be surpassed - it is exquisitely beautiful. The flag staff for the Royal standard has been elevated out of ye reach of impertinent visitors whose silly desire to carry off shreds and to destroy the flags. Now they content themselves with breaking their penknives in digging little bits out of the wall - At 5 came home on top of the Coach, charge 3/6 - passed thro' Hounslow whose heath no longer famed for robberies now waves with ye yellow corn, thro' old & new Brentford, Kew &c & reached our lodgings tired enough. Gave Hunt. & partook ourselves of a substantial tea & retired early to the arms of ye (sleeping land).

2<sup>nd</sup> Went into the City & accompanied Hunt., Smith, & Geo. Brooking to ye Mint. They were coining 4<sup>dv</sup> & 6<sup>dv</sup> pieces and coppers & we traced ye entire process. The rollers are on the same principle as those I saw for copper sheathing at Portsmouth - a second revolving machine reduces the thin plates to equal length & breadth, they are punched out by a third & very simple machine tended by boys - but the fourth & last process w<sup>ch</sup> stamps the die on both sides & impresses the rim at the same moment with the precision & uniformity of a natural operation is exceedingly curious. The pieces before they are subjected to this finishing machine are washed in a solution w<sup>ch</sup> varies slightly for the three metals & restores the purity of their colour. We did not see any gold coined, but the process is precisely the same - it is impossible there can be any embezzlement here without detection - every grain must be accounted for. After leaving the Mint, I called on Col. Maberly who promised to send in his report by



Tuesday - met a M<sup>r</sup>. Jones, D<sup>r</sup>. Callander's Solicitor & on Neville & Co - In the evening took a long walk with Anne & made some of our purchases. Read the 1<sup>st</sup>. vol of Marryatt's America - of which anon.

3<sup>rd</sup> Spent three hours at Rob. & D. Stewart's & found I had little prospect of adjusting George's claim. They have no idea of allowing him a shilling, nor will they pledge themselves to support Charles. To all outward appearance they are friendly & even cordial as ever. Devoted three or four hours to an inquiry after books for the Assy. - Called on M<sup>r</sup>. Labouchere to hasten his decisions & on M<sup>r</sup>. Le Marchant at the Board of Trade to press for a second interview with M<sup>r</sup>. Thomson. Finished Marryatt's first vol., a prejudiced a frivolous book.

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Accompanied Anne to Moorfields, the singing as usual in the bravura style - The painting behind the altar piece contains some striking figures. I put Anne into the gallery & went across the street myself to M<sup>r</sup>. Fletcher's church, a spacious well finished edifice. He is in Scotland & I heard a mediocre sermon from some country person. Anne & I after service called at M<sup>r</sup>. May's & proceeded down the River by steam to Greenwich. The crowds of well dressed people at every point & in numerous boats are really surprising. We went all over the Hospital, accomodating 2710 Veterans & 800 children. It is a noble establishment & the men have an air of substantial comfort & are provided in a style honourable to the Country. The Painted hall is adorned by many fine pictures, the sea fights being particularly spirited, & the Chapel is finished in admirable taste. The bedroom especially King Charles' Ward, & great eating rooms are well aired & clean. Took a walk in the Park as far as the Observatory, saw the herds of deer & at 7 o'clock returned to the Hungerford market, charge 1/ for 7 miles.

5<sup>th</sup> Called on C. Buller & met the depy. Sheriff of Van Dieman's Land who gave me some striking information of the corruptions & jobbery there & in N.S. Wales. Our grievances dwindle into insignificance in comparison with theirs. Sir Geo Gipps has linked himself with the Official party & is making as Sir G. Arthur did about £20,000 a year out of convict labor & lands. My informant assured me that in the event of a war, the great mass of the population w<sup>d</sup>. readily receive an American force & cast off the Official faction & Mother Country which supports them in their iniquities. He gave me a return shewing the revenue resources & amazing progress of these Colonies. M<sup>r</sup>.

Wakefield introduced me to M.<sup>r</sup> Rentoul the Editor of the Spectator & now of the Colonial Gazette, a shrewd well informed Scotchman but a thorough Radical. On my return home was delighted to receive letters & papers to the 18: Ult. fm. home.

6<sup>th</sup> Was engaged some hours in making purchases with Anne - Bought a China dinner set, silver coffee pot, asparagus tongs &c. M.<sup>r</sup> Hunt<sup>r</sup>. & I saw M.<sup>r</sup> Labouchere on the Civil list, Councils & land bill. I had some conversation with M.<sup>r</sup> Baring on Geo. Turner's claim & the question of Currency. At 5 o'clock went to the gallery of the House of Lords & heard the debate on the administration of justice in Ireland. Lord Brougham introduced his five resolutions in a speech of 3 hours & a half. It was an extraordinary display of eloquence & argument but resembled far more the harangue of an advocate to a Jury than the address of a great Statesman on a matter of grave public concern. The facts were distorted, the reasoning often mere sophistry to serve the basest purposes of party. My respect for L.<sup>d</sup> Brougham's splendid talents was heightened, for his consistency of political integrity forever gone. Lord Normanby's reply was good-humoured & sensible but very tiresome & feeble - he is no speaker & never will be. Lord Melbourne gave some good hits to Brougham, but evaded the main question & speaks with great hesitation & is often at a loss for the commonest words. Lord Plunkett altogether disappointed me, a little old man with a weak voice and monotonous accent that put me to sleep. I was too fatigued to hear him out & came home at midnight. The Lords sat till 3 o'clock & to their disgrace passed the resolutions - a mere factious unconstitutional movement. But as M.<sup>rs</sup> Buller said "Who minds the Lords nowadays?" Party-spirit is all-in-all here, a principle & good faith are openly set at naught in both Houses. To me the spectacle is disgusting, & Parliament & the Press in London as completely the slaves of party as the American Congress and journals ever were.

7<sup>th</sup> Wrote Lord Breadalbane & Normanby on behalf of The Highland Society - Wrote also M.<sup>r</sup> C. Poulett Thomson asking an interview on the Free Ports. Anne & I went down again to Kensington & after a long search took apartments in Hounslow Street (4.4) two doors from her Uncle's. They are nice rooms, the rent 30/ a week & the difference between that & the 4 guineas we pay in Princes Street is no small object - Besides they will be pleasanter & healthier for Anne in my absence. At 7 o'clock dined at M.<sup>r</sup> Buller's & met M.<sup>r</sup> Wakefield, M.<sup>r</sup> J.<sup>o</sup> Mill (said to be the most vigorous writer of the age & a main



support of the Westminster Review) M<sup>r</sup>. Cha<sup>s</sup>. Austen the Parliamentary Barrister whose professional income is said to be £10,000 a year, D<sup>r</sup>. Hines of Cambridge &c. The conversation of these men was of a highly intellectual cast & abounded in illustrations & allusions w<sup>ch</sup>. I felt myself incompetent to join in as an equal mind. They have breathed all their lives a different atmosphere & are familiar with a thousand thoughts all unknown & strange to us. I took my part however & enjoyed the evening & political & literary but playful conflicts it brought forth. M<sup>r</sup>. Austen told me that Webster had disappointed the People here - he seemed afraid to commit himself - & in private society had failed to sustain his reputation. These Gentlemen were all Liberals or Radicals - They abused the present Gov<sup>t</sup> as incompetent treacherous & feeble. "Is it not mortifying, said M<sup>r</sup>. Buller that Charles must support a Set whom he despises. Never have I seen him so disheartened as this session." Their only hope seemed to be the increase of popular discontent forcing the Gov<sup>t</sup> to take measures of Reform. The question was playfully put of "Crops or no crops" & M<sup>r</sup>. Mill voted for the latter. Distress & commotion alone in their view would carry the repeal of the corn laws, the ballot &c &c. Universal suffrage was ridiculed as a Chimera - Centralization attacked & ably defended. Lord Normanby given up on all hands as a poor card - He is no longer even spoken of as Premier. Poulett Thomson's or Spring Rice's Governor Generalship was denounced as in either case too flagrant a job to go down.

Walked home at 12, most of the party accompanying me to Pall Mall. M<sup>r</sup>. Austin went off to his Chambers.

8<sup>th</sup> Devoted some hours to the selections of a monumental tablet for Father - he well deserves it at our hands, & I was fortunate in finding a very handsome & appropriate design. Wrote George, Marg<sup>t</sup>, Jas. Robinson & Holderness & Chilton & in the evening removed to our new lodgings. It took Anne a whole day & myself 2 or 3 hours to pack up.

9<sup>th</sup> Went into the City & called on M<sup>r</sup>. Brooking, Capt. Shand & the alliance Coy. - Settled with M<sup>r</sup>. Whytaker & arranged our future supply. At 3 o'clock M<sup>r</sup>. Hunt. & I met M<sup>r</sup>. Poulett Thomson & received his assent to the principle of Free Ports - he saw no objection to our having as many as we wanted - The question of expense was for the Treasury. At 4 I saw Lord Normanby on behalf of the Highland Society

& he could not promise me any grant but w<sup>d</sup>. endeavour to provide passages for Schoolmasters.

In the evening bought some clothes & books & arranged all my papers.

10<sup>th</sup> Set out on the top of the coach for Birmingham w<sup>ch</sup>. I preferred to the railway in order to see the Country. All along it is well cultivated & presents throughout nearly the entire distance of 108 miles much of rural beauty - We closed the journey about 8 o'clock at night having passed thro' S<sup>t</sup>. Albans, with its famed Cathedral, Coventry, a dirty busy manufacturing town, Bedford & other villages - M<sup>r</sup>. Byng, Member of Middlesex has an elegant seat & Lord Pomfret's is visible from the road. Immense sums have been expended to preserve the Arch. The arch at Islington pierces a hill perhaps 100 feet high & there is about a mile of road artificially elevated on a part of this route w<sup>ch</sup>. must have cost an enormous sum. The railway, however, has caused it to be almost deserted & has ruined half the innkeepers. - We passed numerous droves of fine oxen & cows for the London market. Tho' we rattled along at ye rate of 8 to 11 miles an hour I was heartily tired of this journey & for the future will adhere to ye railroads.

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday - After breakfast proceeded by railway to Manchester - Fell in with a M<sup>r</sup>. Edelston an extensive pin manufacturer at Warrington who shewed me the way over Manchester. There are a few fine buildings, the Infirmary, tho' the Lunatic Asylum at one end has spoiled the general effect, the Literary Institution, Collegiate & other Churches. S<sup>t</sup>. Austin's Chapel is not to be compared to ours. The Collegiate church is a very old building belonging to the Establishment & richly ornamented. Heard a sleepy tho' orthodox sermon & was amused by the number of Christenings after service. They vary from 60 to 300 every Sunday afternoon. Most of the evening I spent in the Newsroom, a spacious apartment in the form of a crescent well furnished with papers & periodicals.

12<sup>th</sup> Introduced myself to Stuart Roberts & Co & was shewn over their extensive manufactory of iron & brass machinery. It employs 7 to 800 men. I saw all sorts of castings & engines cutting iron & brass, piercing & shaving it off forcing it into screws & polishing it off for use with the same facility as if it were wood. Many of these wonderful contrivances I had seen in the Dockyards - The whole is put



in motion by one steam engine w<sup>ch</sup> drives also a fan used instead of a bellows for the casting furnaces. I walked also thro' the reading rooms & inspected the well furnished libraries of the Literary & Mechanics Institutions & at 11 o'clock proceeded by railway to Liverpool. This disappointed my expectations in the tremulous motion w<sup>ch</sup> is quite as perceptible as in the American railroads. It is difficult to read a small print & to write is out of the question. On arriving at Liverpool left my trunk at the Adelphi & walked down to Cameron & Miller's office. J<sup>o</sup> Houghton accompanied me to the Exchange, a noble building & forming with the Town hall a spacious Square - The new Royal Bank, Market, Baths, Princes' & other docks, Marine promenade &c are all worthy of the enterprise & public spirit of this thriving City. Manchester is far more wealthy. So also is Birmingham, but Liverpool surpasses them both in its buildings & general appearance. In the afternoon I accompanied M<sup>r</sup>. Miller to his house at Iverton where I found the widow & family of Cameron Of Lochiel & spent the evening at Chilton's suit (sic). It was too late to return to the hotel, so I took a bed where I was.

13<sup>th</sup> All the morning at the Chancery Suit. At 1 o'clock accompanied Rob Hatton in a walk over the docks, where our N. American vessels made a handsome shew & are undoubtedly the finest ships. Went on board the Brenda w<sup>ch</sup> we found rapidly filling up for Hfx. Called on Holderness & Chilton & on T. Jenkinson & at 5 o'clock went home with M<sup>r</sup>. Miller. Met on our way the Judges coming in to hold the Assizes escorted by a numerous body of javelin men on horseback, the High Sheriff &c. All the parade has its use in impressing the people with respect for the administration of the laws, devoted the evening to the Chancery Suit, inspecting all ye documents &c.

14<sup>th</sup> 15. Most of these two days I was occupied in drawing & correcting Cameron & Miller's answer. I adjusted our acc<sup>s</sup> also with Holderness & Chilton & drew on R. B. & Garland for £70 in favor of T. Jenkinson. Had two meetings with Jas. Robinson but could not effect a settlement for J. L. Starr. Went thro' the state apartments & staircase of the Town Hall. There is a fine statue of Canning by Chartry. The new ball room is extremely handsome. Spent a few hours in the Nisi Prius Court, Judge Mawle presiding, Cresswell & Alexander the leading Counsel: More than 50 Barristers were in attendance wigged & robed but having little to do. Heard two or three causes tried. They were despatched in a most summary style & the speeches

even of the leaders scarce above mediocrity. Alexander is cried up as a pleasing speaker but to my ear he has neither eloquence condensation nor fluency. Causes are infinitely better tried with us. The Counsel fees of 4 to 10 gn<sup>s</sup>. seem to me very easily earned. In the evening came in from Everton to meet Marg<sup>t</sup> & after trying four hotels got a bed at the George.

16: Was on the Pierhead at ½ past 5 & boarded the Steamer from Dublin but no Marg<sup>t</sup> there. Determined to wait ye arrival of the next at ¼ past 12 just an hour too late for to day's train Marg<sup>t</sup> came in, having been detained by last night's storm. Till 4 o'clock we perambulated the town together & among other places went into the gallery of the Courthouse fm. w<sup>ch</sup> we were quickly driven by a malapropos question. At 4 started by railway for Warrington & inspected the whole of M<sup>r</sup> Edelston's pin manufactory. The patent machine for heading the pins - the immense shears for cutting them - the spinning wheel for the wire - the engines for sharpening the points - & the process for coating the pins by a solution of tin & lastly for polishing them are all very curious & when thus examined appear very simple. At 8 returned to the Railway station & set out for London where we arrived at ½ past 5 - whole distance 220 miles, fare 6 inside coach 53/6.

We slept most of the way & as we woke up occasionally we could not help being struck by our position - galloping along at 25 to 30 miles an hour, darkness & heavy rain outside, comfort & safety within. Man is a wonderful being.

17<sup>th</sup> Saw Huntington & found that nothing had been done at the Public offices in my absence. M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere being unwell I went up to see him at his own house. Spent an hour with him & am satisfied he means us well. Hunt. & I then went together to the Treasury - had to pursue M<sup>r</sup> Baring to the House of Commons - He came up with us to his office & having started various difficulties in the way of any Post Office surplus being paid over to us I suggested a mode of avoiding them & yet gaining our object, which met his approval & will lead, I trust, to a satisfactory settlement of this branch of our mission. It is the one w<sup>ch</sup> I feel perhaps the most interest, being peculiarly my own. We then called on M<sup>r</sup> Rentoul, the Editor of the Spectator & now of the Colonial Gazette in its new guise, & spent some hours afterwards in looking after books for the Assembly.



18<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Spent the day in reading & writing at home. Wrote Holderness & Chilton, F. Staratt, & Parker & Sons. Walked an hour in Kensington Gardens with Marg<sup>t</sup>.

19<sup>th</sup> Went into the City & saw Capt. Shand, M<sup>r</sup> Brooking, Neville & Co., & Lord Mayor for George's attestation. Had an interview, intended to be our final one, with Lord Normanby, who astonished us not a little on some points. Expressed our feelings in strong language & as His Lordship did not seem to comprehend the question ad eundem he asked us to return on Thursday & M<sup>r</sup> Hunt. agreed to wait - In the evening I drafted a letter of vehement remonstrance to M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere. Wrote up my Journal to the 16<sup>th</sup> inst.

20<sup>th</sup> Hunt. & I reviewed and adjusted the above draft of M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere's letter, which on further reflection, however, we agreed not to send in. Went into the City & called together at the Custom House with a note M<sup>r</sup> Baring gave us on Saty. to M<sup>r</sup> Stewart, deputy Chairman of the Comm<sup>rs</sup>. Found he was at the Admiralty & agreed to go back tomorrow. I remained all day in the City & called for J<sup>as</sup> Dawson at Lloyds, at Neville & Coy's, at Fornate & Coy's for Heirs of Bernardi, at Ryan & Dale's for Cameron & Miller & at M<sup>r</sup> Brooking's. In the afternoon I saw M<sup>r</sup> Baring at his office & M<sup>r</sup> Karlake for Lady Rodney & in the evening purchased books for J<sup>as</sup> Fogo.

21<sup>st</sup> I called on Lady Rodney at her house in Harley Street & saw her & her son - also on Miss Throckmorton & Karlake & Crealock. M<sup>r</sup> Hunt. & I had an interview at the Euston house with M<sup>r</sup> J. Stewart, M<sup>r</sup> Woodhouse & M<sup>r</sup> Scovill & discussed the question of Free Ports at large. They promised to report thereon very shortly. Called at H. R. Hill's who has gone out of town till 4 Sept. Bought Hansard's Parly debates 141 vols. for the Assembly for £55. Wrote notes to M<sup>r</sup> Baring & M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere. Wrote J<sup>o</sup> Parker & Co.

22<sup>d</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Hunt. & I saw M<sup>r</sup> Baring as to the Free ports & Post office. At one o'clock had our final interview with Lord Normanby. His explanations of the views of Gov<sup>t</sup> as to the Civil list & Council were far from satisfactory. We told him so in plain terms & he said every thing he could to sooth us - We parted exchanging polite civilities, but either we have misunderstood His Lordship (which is really not impossible for he did not seem to know much about the details of our questions) or else the principles of Lord Glenelg's despatches of 1837 are to be abandoned, which will never do. From the despatch now

to be sent out His Lordship read us but one paragraph - I very much doubt if he ever read it himself. Parted with Hunt. who sets off tomorrow morning, not in the best humour, to join the Brenda at Liverpool.

23<sup>d</sup> Saw M<sup>r</sup> Scovill at the Custom House, who engaged to have the report as to the Free Ports sent in to the Treasury tonight. Recommended Henry Taylor Esqr. as an officer to clear out cargoes at Margaree. Called also at the Treasury & Colonial office. Engaged all the rest of the day in making our purchases & preparing for my journey to Paris. I have decided to set out for Havre on Sunday - Anne and Marg<sup>r</sup> remain here as they could not travel with the requisite celerity - They go to Falmouth by steam tomorrow week - & on the 7<sup>th</sup> Sept we embark together in the Packet Star, by w<sup>ch</sup> I have engaged our passages.

24<sup>th</sup> Anne & Marg<sup>r</sup> set out for Chelmsford to see their sisters at New Hall. I went into the City & called at Lloyds', Chapman & Co. & the Alliance Office - Wrote Holderness & Chilton, M<sup>r</sup> Miller & George to go by the British Queen Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>. Had a long conversation with M<sup>r</sup> Baring & M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere. The former had prepared according to promise the draft of a Treasury Minute on the Post Office. As he had written it, our object, tho' unintentionally on his part, would have been entirely defeated. He corrected it at my suggestion & desired me to consider this matter as settled. "Dont be afraid, said he, I won't cheat you". So much therefore is absolutely gained, w<sup>ch</sup> will save us in future £13 to £1500 a year. He read me also an extract from a very long report of the Custom House Officers on the Free Ports, expressing their fears of our carrying trade suffering by their extension. After discussing the matter, it was finally agreed that Cumberland, Parrsboro, Windsor, Shelburne & Lunenburg are to be immediately declared Free Ports without any additional charge on the Province. Here is another great point secured & w<sup>ch</sup> would never have been effected without the delegation. It will add immensely to the Prosperity and resources of the Province. The other questions as to the flour duty & currency will remain open. M<sup>r</sup> Baring found it impossible to entertain Geo. Turner's claim without an application from Hague as the party contracting, but engaged on such application being made to lend it his support. I then took leave of him, grateful for his attention & kindness throughout our negotiations. Next proceeded to the Colonial Office & stated to M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere my impressions of our interview with Lord Normanby. He conceived we had entirely mistaken his



meaning & alleged that nothing was further from their thoughts than to abandon the principles in Lord Glenelg's despatches. I then urged him to read me the despatch of this year, w<sup>ch</sup> he was evidently inclined to do, but wishing to consult Lord Normanby, I agreed to return at 4 o'clock. When I went back, he said there were objections to shewing me the despatch, but he could read me in confidence the material passages. This he accordingly did. The principles of Lord Glenelg's despatches are re-enforced not abandoned & the L<sup>d</sup> Gov. directed to obey them. An entire re-construction of the Councils (which indeed I was far from desiring & had not urged) is denied, but present & future vacancies to be filled up on a liberal footing - I strongly suspect that private instructions will be sent out, as I had suggested, to Sir Colin, tho' this was not said to me. The paragraphs as to the Civil list were not read to me & I remain in doubt of the views of Govt. on this very material point - only it is clear, that the incomes of present incumbents will not be reduced. Our Land bill is acceded to, as we had agreed, for three years, in which time the main benefits we anticipate in settling the titles of all bona fide settlers will be realized - a point of great value & of itself almost worth a delegation. The despatch touches on several of the minor points, most of w<sup>ch</sup> remain ever as subjects of inquiry. The School land bill has been remitted to the Society & the Bishop, but I put M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere in possession of the true question & we must only trust to fortune. I then took leave of M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere to whom I feel really grateful for his frankness & courteous demeanour. If we have had a tedious & laborious work, chequered by so many interviews & involving so large a correspondence, & marked by no little anxiety & occasional disappointment, at least we have had nothing to complain of & our feelings have never been hurt as gentlemen in our official intercourses. It would take a great deal, however, to tempt me to undertake such a mission a second time. Our expenses I presume from a hint dropped by M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere, will be paid along with Stewarts & Wilkins out of the Casual revenue. On my return to Kensington I wrote M<sup>r</sup> Labouchere a private note on the salaries of the Com<sup>rs</sup> of Crown Lands, the Chancery Court bill, & Journals for the House. Left a note also & full instructions for Anne & Marg<sup>t</sup> & at midnight went to bed tolerably tired.

Sunday. At ½ past 9 started in an Omnibus with my portmantau & hat case & proceeded in a Cab from the Bank to S<sup>t</sup> Katherine's dock to embark at 11 on board the Phenix for Havre. On our way down witnessed a characteristic scene in the (Minorins.) The new Police Act directs that no dram shops gin palaces &c shall be opened on

Sunday before one o'clock - an admirable regulation, but little favored by the publicans or the thoughtless unfortunate chaps it is meant to protect, a great throng of whom were assembled round the door of a bold adventurer who had taken counsel & determined to set the Act at defiance. The pewter pots were handed aloft in triumph, but there was no riot - The Police were mingled in the crowd & were laughing at the affair; tho' one of them told me the delinquent would certainly be fined. - He had deceived himself into an idea that the Act did not extend within the bounds of the City, & if he could only succeed would make his fortune by his notoriety. The City authorities would not be sorry if he did, conceiving the Act an infringement of their peculiar jurisdiction -

At 11 set sail in the Phenix, a Steamer built & owned in France & one of the handsomest & best (with English engines) I have ever seen. She carried us along gayly at 10 to 12 miles an hour & at 6 in the morning arrived at Havre. Passed close by Gravesend, Margate, Dover &c & had a tolerable view of the English coast as we ran along. The entrance to the port of Havre lies between two high walls of solid masonry & on the left hand are the public baths. You no sooner touch the shore than you are made sensible by the air of every thing around that you are in a foreign land - The uniform of the Officer who receives your passport on the steps, the high old fashioned houses, narrow streets, Norman head dresses of the women & jabbering of the men are all characteristic & remind you at every step that you are in France. I had picked up an acquaintance on the passage with M<sup>r</sup> Sergeant Stocks & his sons & we went together to the hotel des Londres on the Quay & were immediately busied in getting our baggage thro' the Custom house (where it was pretty closely but politely examined) & in looking after our passports pour l'Interieur in hopes of obtaining them in time for the Steamer to Rouen w<sup>ch</sup> was to sail at ½ past 8. The Master assured us he would get them for us & I had my trunk carried directly aboard, but on a friendly hint from the Commissionaire had it brought ashore again, & it was well I did so, for the steamer sailed half an hour before it was possible to obtain the passports. The charge for each is marked on it at 2 francs, but the officer asked 3 from me & gave me a 15 sous piece instead of a franc in change so that I was cheated to the value of 1/ Sterling by the Bureau de Police. A traveller whether in England or France must be ever on the qui vive, also he will be pillaged to a greater or less degree according to his simplicity or means at every turning. I am now writing on board the Packet Sept. 25 on our way out,



having found it impossible to keep up my Journal on account of rapid motion, & gave on this as on other matters the results of my whole experience. I say tho' that a traveller is imposed on much more in England & in France than in the U. States & that a perpetual vigilance is indispensable for restraining the legalized system of extortion within moderate bounds. I gave the porter who carried my luggage 1½ francs - he grumbled because I w<sup>d</sup>. not give him 2 for a quarter of an hour's walk. I washed my hands at the Hotel & was charged a franc additional for the room just as if I had occupied it all day. I think I was humbugged in England altogether some £6 or £7, & in France 30 or 40 francs & may account myself well off in having escaped so easily. There being no other boat for Rouen to day & my time so very limited (for I have engaged to be in London again Sept. 3<sup>d</sup>) I took a place in the Banquetta of the 11 o'clock diligence & spent the two hours I had to spare in perambulating the town & quays. Havre is said to be the Liverpool of France, but is inferior in every point of view, as are the resources enterprise & wealth of this Kingdom to those of England. The docks & quays however though not to be compared to those of Liverpool are extensive & well lined with shipping, indicating as is the fact, a lively & productive commerce. This is the great outlet of the manufacturers of Lyons & Paris, the wines of the middle of France & the other products of these districts, which centre for the most part, agreeably to the French system of centralization in the Capital, & are brought here at a moderate charge by the Roulage or Inland carriers. We met numerous waggons on the road to Paris engaged in this traffic drawn by 6 or 8 horses and travelling like those of England, all night. But it is a national reproach that there is not a railway from Havre to Paris - The river winds too much for the transport of light goods, w<sup>ch</sup> are brought in a very short time & at an increased price by a species of diligences that travel on a quick trot. The charge for the 140 odd miles is 8/4 a cwt. The road all the way is excellent - within 70 or 80 miles of Paris on each side, as a substitute for Macadamizing, the middle of the way is raised by a pavement of flat stones about 9in<sup>s</sup> in depth & admitting of two carriages passing, & w<sup>ch</sup> tho' it jolts a good deal, must be an immense improvement at the wet season, & was a great relief from the ocean of mud on each side on our return to Boulogne. How far might this idea be adopted in our Province. Normandy continues to be as of yore the best cultivated district in France & is really a very beautiful country. The view from the hill, S<sup>t</sup> Catherine's I think, a short distance North of Havre, is of large extent & great beauty. We passed thro' Honfleur, a fortified town famous in the history of the English wars, & other

places of less note & at ½ past 6 arrived at Rouen, the ancient capital of Normandy. It lies in a deep valley, & when it first breaks upon the eye from the high ground approaching to it, with its Cathedral towers, spires & handsome suspension bridge across the Seine, it presents an image, confused & various, but highly picturesque & pleasing. The quay along the right bank of the river seems to be the only part of the city that is modern & has any pretensions to convenience united with beauty. Here is a range of lofty & fine buildings but the main street running into it is altogether unique. It contains all the richest shops, some of them not unworthy of Paris, yet is not above 20 feet wide, with a villainous stream ornamenting the middle & lamps swung overhead. The streets & lane running across it are no better & it w<sup>d</sup> seem that the population in early times had been compressed possibly for safety & that they might be within the walls in the smallest possible space. The far famed Cathedral stands off ye principal street, the most striking specimen of Gothic architecture I have ever seen. It is worth a visit to Normandy to see the exquisite & delicate tracery & profusion of sculptured ornaments on the walls, while the inside, unlike S.<sup>t</sup> Paul's & Lichfield w<sup>ch</sup> disappointed me sadly, is not less imposing than the exterior is grand. An American party with whom I was travelling & I could not get back from our Hotel to inspect it, till after dark - fortunately it was lighted up for a funeral service - & the beadle as we should call him politely shewed us all over the building. It was founded in the tenth century & owed much to the munificence of Will<sup>m</sup>. the Conqueror & Richard Coeur de Lion, whose heart is deposited in it. The high altar & windows of stained glass are magnificent: many of the tombs are of high antiquity - The lateness of the hour would not allow us to see the statue of Joan d'Arc & the curiously sculptured house in its neighbourhood - & having discussed a dinner in la Francaise, with abundant of vin de grave & engaged our passages tomorrow by the Steamer, we retired at an early hour.

27<sup>th</sup>. Got up at 4 o'clock, it was raining heavily & just as we were starting, I found that my good Spanish cloak & hat case, w<sup>ch</sup> I entrusted last night with many injunctions, to the garçon, were nowhere to be found. Here was a choice of difficulties, if I stayed behind, I lost a day without perhaps recovering my property - if I went, good bye to the cloak & best hat - whether missing by negligence or fraud I know not. They were worth £7 or £8 & I had no notion of being cheated without a struggle - So I ordered my portmanteau back from the quay & returned to the hotel, having seen the Steamer & my



American friends M<sup>r</sup>. Corbett & M<sup>r</sup>. Ealing of Philadelphia off. When I got back I found my imperfect stock of French insufficient for the occasion - So an interpreter was found & after investigation it turned out that the cloak & case had been sent to Paris in last night's diligence by mistake & having taken a written mem<sup>o</sup> from the Stage office & fortunately found a place empty in the Interior I started at 7 o'clock in the diligence for Paris. The country on this road is less cultivated than yesterday's & one is more struck by the absence of all detached buildings barns or fences. The crops however are generally good & the people well dressed & comfortable - Passed thro'

Had a superb dinner at price 3 francs. Judging from what I have hitherto seen, the French understand & relish good living as well as their English neighbours.

Saw the vine clad hills for the first time to day - The trees are still green & tho' they do not appear luxuriant, are pleasing to the eye. County seats are astonishingly few - you may say indeed there none, no cottages, no gentlemen's parks, & with a rich county, few of the attributes & rural charms of English scenery. The last 25 miles I got into the Banquette & had a full view of the river, hills & aspect of the country. The subdivision of properties w<sup>ch</sup> has so much retarded French agriculture and threatens in half a century to convert the whole Kingdom, as the Edin. Review expresses it, into an immense pauper-warren, makes itself visible in the piebald cultivation of the rising grounds, w<sup>ch</sup> present an odd but exact resemblance to a patch work counterpane - here one shade of green there another, here a bit of brown & there of yellow or of red. At S<sup>t</sup> Germain's, we came upon the rail road to the Capital, where the steam boat navigation at present ceases for want of water, & having admired the hotel perched on top of artificial terraces of immense height, we pushed on 8 miles an hour, for Paris. A French diligence is a very different sort of thing from what I expected. Whatever these carriages may have been in days of yore, I agree with George in preferring them either to an American stage coach or English mail. A seat in the Coupe or Banquette of a fine day & even in the Interior (the is shocking what with dust, heat or dirt) affords real enjoyment & approaches the beau ideal of travelling in a public conveyance. We entered the Capital by the Rue Faubourg S<sup>t</sup> Honore, the Arc d'Etoile in the distance, & rolled thro' the Boulevards to the Rue Montmartre. On landing I was accosted by an Englishman, the Commissary at the Hotel des Ambassadeurs Rue Notre Dame des Victories, & as he offered to assist

me in recovering my cloak & hat case I accompanied him to the Office, where after some difficulty I was fortunate enough to find both, & went with my friendly guide to his hotel in place of Maurice's as I had intended. The first aspect of the place was not very inviting, but as the people were civil & cleanly & I was to stay only a few days & night as will save two or three pounds as not, I decided to remain where I was.

28: The Commissary found me a valet de place who spoke English & receives 5 francs a day - he was an old soldier & was Napoleon's coachman at Waterloo. The present King had reduced his pension for an arm he had lost there about one half & I found he was no friend to Louis Philippe. At 9 o'clock we set out together on foot for the left bank of the Seine & kept in active motion till 5. During these eight hours we visited all the public buildings most worthy of notice on that side of the river. Our first object was the Chamber of deputies opposite the Pont de Louis. It is very much smaller than the House of Representatives at Washington & not more ornamented. The decorations sculptures &c are almost all recent & breathe everywhere of the 'glorious three days', as they are still called, tho' only by courtesy. Go where you will in Paris & the recollections of Napoleon now restored to all his honors & of the last revolution obtrude themselves on the eye. Above the President's chair in the Chamber is a large painting of Louis Philippe swearing to the Charter & the bas reliefs in the walls refer to the same event. The Tribune for the orators is a striking peculiarity, necessary perhaps for restraining the vivacity of French politicians - The hall of entrance with its statues of Mirabeau & other great men is magnificent. Not so the Chamber of Peers in the Luxembourg, a mean shabby looking room, not much better than the temporary room for the House of Lords. I was not a little surprised at this - even the chairs are hardly decent. In the Palace of the Luxembourg the apartments of Catherine de Medicis are shown having been preserved exactly as she occupied them - also the chapel adjoining these in w<sup>ch</sup> the Royal family and peers of France are always married. And a gallery of very fine paintings. Leaving the Palace, we visited in succession the Pantheon, Church of S<sup>t</sup>. Genevieve, Ecole Polytechnic, Gobelins Tapestry manufacture, Jardin des Plantes, Cathedral of Notre Dame, Hotel Dieu and Palais de Justice. To describe these would take many pages w<sup>ch</sup> I am not in the humour to write out. I content myself therefore with noting in the Pantheon the tombs of Voltaire & Rousseau & the magnificent view from the top - at the Gobelins La Chasse d'Atalante, le Confuraction de



Helitz & the other pieces I have marked in my copy of the description of the works - in the Luxembourg the pictures I have noted in my catalogue (all of them being of ye modern school) - in the Cathedral Notre Dame the tomb of Cardinal Belloy & the Royal & Episcopal robes - in the Palais de Justice the statue of Malesherbes - In the evening I saw Van Amburg & his wild beasts in the Theatre of the Boulevard S<sup>t</sup>. Martin -

29<sup>th</sup> devoted this day to the right bank of the Seine. Got up early & traversed the Champs Elysees, the Place de Louis 16, the Place Vendome, Rue Rivoli &c &c. After breakfast set out with the Valet de place & visited the Chapel de Madeleine, the Chapel de Lorette, the Bourse, Perc la Chaise, scite of the Bastile & model of the Elephant, Conservatoire des Arts et Metiers, Fountain of Lions, the Louvre &c &c - The impression these splendid buildings & institutions made upon my mind I must trust to memory - I need not attempt to commit them to paper. In the Bourse the paintings at top resemble bas reliefs by an astonishing deception - the modern sculptures in front of the Chapel de Madeleine are unrivalled the finest monuments at the perc la Chaise are those of Casimir Perier, General Foy & Felix de Beavoir - the multitude of conceits is highly characteristic of the people - the Conservatoire is full of elegant models of railways engines & all the utensils of the principal trades - the immense galleries of the Louvre w<sup>d</sup> of themselves require many days - I could only spare them a couple of hours - Very many of the pictures are of the first order, others appeared to me mere trash - the models of the Sea ports & of naval architecture are really beautiful - the statuary not less so - Spent the evening in the Palais Royal sipping coffee & liqueur & admiring the world as it moved along under a genial sky.

30<sup>th</sup> Set out by myself this morning & traversed all the principal streets, crossed the bridges, inspected the Hotel des Invalides, the Arc de Triomphe & Tuilleries, the Hotel des Mounaies, where I examined the series of coins for the fourth century, the Place de Grave & Hotel de Ville &c &c In the evening walked in the Palais Royal & Boulevards, examined the Cafes & shops, and observed the signs of national manners & tastes.

31<sup>st</sup> Went out to S<sup>t</sup>. Denis & saw the Cathedral & Royal tombs. The building is undergoing a complete repair at an expense of 25 million francs - It was the most striking thing I have seen in Europe -

the tombs of Saint Louis, of Henry 4 & other Kings - their pictures in the glass of the stained windows, the paintings put in by Napoleon & the caverns below all attest an ancient & wealthy dynasty w<sup>ch</sup> has studiously preserved the regal splendour - & the two recent usurpers, Napoleon & Louis Philippe most ambitious of all.

Spent the evening moving about the City & in the Musical exhibits (Rue Lemieux) -

Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday. At 9 started by railway for Versailles & employed four hours in traversing its magnificent galleries, casting hasty glances at the endless succession of paintings, pictures & statues. The gallery of battles, the immense hall where Louis 14<sup>th</sup> moved among his courtiers almost a God & the other wonders of the place with the Gardens, palaces de Trianon &c convey a vast idea of the opulence & splendour of the Old Monarchy. In 1815, 16 the Palace was all in disorder, now every thing is restored & in perfect keeping - The royal servants are stationed in their rich crimson liveries at every door. Returned to Paris at 4 & started in the Coupe of the diligence for Boulogne - I was alone & never in my life travelled so comfortably. We stopped at Clermont at midnight for a cup of coffee & by 7 in the morning reached Amiens - had no time to visit the Cathedral & pushed on to Abbeville - thence to Montreuil, a fortified town, & thence to Boulogne where we arrived at 6 o'clock. The country on this route is less inviting than from Havre to Paris - Still it is a rich & fine country & with capital & intelligence might in a century or so, not less, be made equal to England - The inferiority now is striking & undeniable. Of Boulogne I saw little as it came on to rain. I put up at the Hotel du Nord & was taught there that the waiters & porters were quite au fait of the English system.

3<sup>d</sup>. Embarked at 7 o'clock in the Steamer & at the same hour in the evening was landed at London bridge. Read part of the King's Own, chatted & made some agreeable acquaintances during the day whom I will probably never see again - Was driven to the Tavistock hotel where I found letters from Anne, apprising me that Marg<sup>t</sup> & she had sailed on Saty. for Falmouth, as also from M<sup>r</sup>. Brooking, M<sup>r</sup>. Miller &c.

4. - 5. Was incessantly occupied these two days in arranging the shipments per Thalia, payment of accounts, purchases &c &c - Wrote M<sup>r</sup>. Miller & M<sup>r</sup>. Sharatt for copies - Called on Neville & Co &



Chapman & Co - also on Fornate & Co & prepared draft of Power of Attorney - also at the Alliance Office & Bank - on Hy. Hill, Karlake & Crealock, Ch<sup>s</sup> Buller, M<sup>r</sup>. Carter &c &c. Had an hour's conversation with M<sup>r</sup>. Stephen at the Colonial Office, & saw M<sup>r</sup>. Gray the private Sec<sup>y</sup>. of the Chancellor of the Exchequer. Read at the Treasury the minutes as to the Free ports & Post Office, both satisfactory - & conversed with M<sup>r</sup>. Hume as to the flour duty & other imports. On the 4: I dined at M<sup>r</sup>. Atwood's S<sup>t</sup>. George's Terrace, whose lively talkative wife, a sister of Medly's amused me not a little - and at eight o'clock P.M. of the 5. took my place inside of the Mail & set off for Falmouth. M<sup>r</sup>. Brooking & his two sons accompanied me to the Coach, winding up by this last act of attention the many I have received at their hands during my stay - We travelled of course all night, passed thro' Exeter & Plymouth & at midnight of the 6<sup>th</sup> arrived safe but much fatigued at Pearce's hotel Falmouth. Anne & Marg<sup>t</sup>. had been staying at Capt. Paul's - I went up to see them, & breakfasted there on the 7<sup>th</sup>. We embarked in the Star at 10 o'clock & at two were on our way with our faces once more turned towards the West.