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2 January 1778: By Mr. Heaton’s account, due me and Mr. Smith coal?

12 January: By Capt. Murdoch McLean who went to New York, I wrote to Alex. Grant, Maj. Goldthwaite, Sam. Rogers, and A. Mayer Esq.; received by cartel “Favourite” from Boston to Halifax letter from father mentioning death of my uncle

16 January: “Favourite” cartel sailed this morning with articles and letters to my father, Dr. Lloyd, George Jeffrey Esq., Mrs. Rhoades and sister; prisoners from the hospital left behind; *page torn out*

8 April: Acquainted Gen. Massey with paragraph in Mr. Mallet’s letter re: discharge of hospital mates; General order they to be continued due to increase of prisoners; ordered to write memo to that effect to Mallet

16 April: Goose sat on 9 eggs

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24 April: Return of the cartel “Cap Gorden” brought – Capt. Willow, aid de camp to General Reidesel; Procured release of and sent home [sick or prisoners?] – Capt. Eleazer Giles, Capt. Fettyplace, Lt. Bery, Dr. Silas [Mer?], Dr. Elisha Whitney, Samuel Cooper, Capt. Thatcher, Samuel Gales, Thomas Danby, Thomas Morse, and Pearce Fabiers?; sent a trunk with many articles (named) for father; last January, sent articles (named) and letters to Mrs. Rhoads and one to George Jaffrey Esq., Portsmouth, and sent to care of Capt. Giles; tea and other articles sent to the care of Dr. Whitney; sent letters to Dr. [?] Lloyd to the care of Dr. Whitney; (bit more related on the same theme)

26 April: Duck eggs

29 April: Goose eggs; received coal from Barrack Office

10 May: Received by Mr. Allan and Mr. Nicholls letters

11 May: Received letter from A. Paddock Esq. and bundle containing ribbed hose

11 May: Received bushels of coal from Barrack Office

21 May: Paid Mrs. Love and Susey/Sukey Forster? wages

29 May: Arrived the sloop “Gage” and “Howe” and Capt. Hall in good health
16 June: Cartel schooner sailed to Boston—did not know she was to go before Thursday; by this cartel procured the release of to be sent home to their friends [prisoners or sick?]: Pierre Dorville?, [?]
Richards, Hezekiah Webb, Caleb Greenleaf, Addams surgeon of the Portsmouth Privateer, Joseph Larkin, Hancock—Baker Charles Bowder?, Retaliation—Boolman, Retaliation—Poland ditto, John Osborne Sargent [last name or rank?], Patrick Conner?; Addams applied to me by letter, the others I did unsolicited but in return for good behavior

19 June: Received—from Major Handfield D.A.L.M. General sum for 200 days balance and forage for 1778, being 10 rations per day; received sum for forage? for 2 mates, Clark and Smith, 2 rations per day; received packet from Major Paddock, London, a court register and Army list

7 July: Sent in cartel to Portsmouth: Samuel Stover, Nat? Richards, Joseph Wilson, all Lt. Marines; Samuel Fall Lt. Marines; Samuel Ferrill-Clark, Arthur Waterman, Sgt. Marines; John Farrar Private Sailor in exchange for Lt. Lundy?, YRH Boom? Lt. Mariner; Lt. Belcher and Sgts Hill and Cooling and Mr. Lundy, servant

8 July: Wrote to Major Paddock and delivered by Lt. Trollope, passenger in the brig “Beaver” the third bill of exchange drawn by Gen. Massey in Paddock’s favor

16 July: Sent to Mallet all accounts, receipts and abstract of general account from first of the year up to 29 June; received flour? And butter from Mr. Butler, agent victualler

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20 July: Mr. Brymer put flour into my barn; received my son’s rations as Volunteer in Battalion Marines up to 20 July 1778 starting 28 April 1778; received by Capt. Hall, Aid de Camp, Monsieur Lamorey’s pay as interpreter to the French prisoners up to 24 June and paid Mrs? Jeffries by direction of General Massey

22 July: Paid Maj. Lyons for my rations as surgeon and for Thomas Smith and John Clark, mates to General Hospital up to 24 December 1777 (shows rates per day for rations and clothing); *torn page*; my son enlisted as Volunteer in Battalion Marines, Maj. Sonter?, Commandant, on recommendation of Maj. General Massey 28, April 1778

25 July: Settled with Dennyman, my baker, and gave him an order upon Mr. Jacobs for flour, which balanced my account

30 July: Received coal from Barrack Master

5 August: Received coal from Barrack Master; received letter from G. Jeffries from Portsmouth by hand of Capt. Torry/Tarry (late of the Custom House at Portsmouth, NH); *page is missing*; General Massey Commander in Chief, Purveyor of His Majesty’s Hospital at Halifax, told me he had informed Sir Henry Clinton, Commander in Chief, of my appointment as Surgeon and Purveyor of the Hospital; wrote by frigate “Unicorn” to Mr. Mallet, Purveyor at New York and acquainted him of the new establishment of the Hospital at Halifax and sent him a return of the present state of the Hospital

22 August: Mr. Marshall, Surgeon of the General Hospital, and 2 mates first visited the Hospital; delivered to Marshall the care of the sick and their present state, Mr. Clark late mate delivered it

26 August: Paid Sukey? Foster/Forster and Mrs. Love their wages up to 19 August in full; General Massey wrote to Lt. Col. Hinkley? at Spanish River to send up to Maj. Handfield coal, to be directed to Dr.
Jeffries, Purveyor of the General Hospital; this day my son John entered and accepted as Volunteer to serve in corps of Young Royal Highlanders commanded by Maj. Small

1 September: Received of Deschamps Esq. Dep. Commissary of Forage Nova Scotia money for 124 rations of forage from 1 July to 21 August; received from Capt. Eliot money for my son’s pay as Volunteer in the corps of Marines from 28 April to 31 August; paid Polly Bayres? in full

4 September: Sailed from Halifax: Vice Admiral Byron in the “Princess Royal” with 90 guns, Capt. Balfour in the “Culloden” with 74 guns, Capt. Fielding in the “Diamond” frigate

8 September: “Cabot” brig, Captain Dod, sailed for England, sent letters to Maj. Paddock

26 September: Sailed from Halifax the “Resolution” and sent accounts up to 24 August and drew bills in favor of Lt. Bliss

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5 October: Sailed the “Greyhound” frigate, Capt. Dickeson, on which “my noble” Gen. Massey went home “to reap I hope the Laurels he merits for his assiduity and application in this inhospitable climate to serve the cause of his Royal Master”; gave some letters to Maj. Sonter? of Marines to deliver to A. Paddock Esq. which included bill of exchange drawn by Crowder and Gordon on the Rt. Hon. Harley? and Drummond Esqs., and sent home 4 razors by Maj. Sonter? to be put on order for my use; Gen. Massey taken with him paper work respecting my part and present situation and my wants and wishes; by Maj. Sonter? wrote to Capt. D. Johnston of the Battalion Marines and now Aid de Camp to Lt. Gen. Lord Percy

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5 October: 2:00, Received letter from Gen. Massey who is en route to England, “most heartily do I wish him a prosperous voyage […] bless him God wherever he goes”; Sukey Forster, my faithful servant, was married at my home by Rev. Breynton to Mr. Young, mariner; paid Sukey Young (nee Forster) wages in full

6 October: Last night arrived the “Howe” sloop from New York where she was lately sent express to Lord Howe, and Sir H. Clinton by Gen. Massey

8 October: 8 cartel ships with white flags at Topmast Head, riding at anchor before the Town, would not a stranger think “we were all taken by the French fleet riding triumphant? Gen. Massey could not bear the sight I believe”; received from Sir George Collier a letter addressed to him containing “a most scandalous advertisement” reflecting on Gen. Massey’s family

9 October: Asked Sir George why he had given me the letter yesterday and he explained as well he could [not expanded upon]

10 October: Went on board “Rainbow” and demanded of Sir Collier a further explanation respecting the 2 “scandalous letters” and he declared he was ignorant of them and did it out of respect to the General and my family, Maj. Hanfield believed him but not me entirely; armed schooner arrived from Rhode Island feared to come into harbor with many white flags flying, thought Halifax had been taken

11 October: Bernard and Crawford – mates were discharged, and received nurses without my knowledge, gave orders no nurses to be discharged by me without their approval; Mr. Marshall ordered head nurse to receive all orders from him and he would discharge her when he pleased, “I was but as a simple commy [commissary].”
15 October: For 6 days applied to Maj. Lyons for working party for Hospital without redress although promised

30 September: Received letter from M. Mallet dated New York and brought by Maj. Farrington

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17 October: The “Pacific” sailed for England and by favour of the Master, Mr. Scullar, sent to Maj. Paddock my second Bill off Exchange drawn by Gordon and Crowder on Harley and Drummond in favour of William Smith Esq; also sent him for Gen. Massey copies of scandalous letters addressed to Collier and given to me, and a second letter to Massey with information of Bernard’s appreciation to Mr. Adair to be appointed Purveyor in my place

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18 October: Complaint by Mr. McKay of Mr. Lawlor: neglect and misconduct of Head cook, washer and nurses at prison; result was the cook and washer, due to poor manners, were ordered discharged; comments the real neglect was the lack of a working party which he had let be known

27 October: Sgt. John McKay appointed Steward to prisoners’ Hospital and Robert John McKay, Private, appointed laborer to same; “Ambescade” frigate arrived and anchored above our house; flour belonging to Mr. Brymer removed from my barn; ship “Martha” sailed for New York and with it sent to Mr. Mallet correspondence and memo of all stoppage money received here in 1776; sent back Wilson’s account rectified, above correspondence includes letter from Massey requesting help; Sgt. Buchanan, Steward to the prisoners’ Hospital, drowned himself, probably induced having embezzled many articles of Hospital stores and other frauds

3 November: Paid Mrs. Jeffries in full

4 November: Set out on a journey for Cornwallis

13 November: Returned home

17 November: Received letter from Mallet dated New York delivered by Lt. Col. Campbell of Col. Bayard’s Corps and given to me by Capt. Spry, Engineer

19 November: B. Gen. McLean ordered me to get needed fuel from Mr. Morder, and told he did not approve of my buying hay or straw; mentioned to him stove and windows need repair, need to get stoppages for men from Mr. Needham, and of the great usage of fuel at both Hospitals; Maj. Handfield, Capt. Spry, Col. Campbell, Maj. Boyd and [?] are here; paid Mrs. Jeffries and all petty accounts

23 November: Paid Molly Winchester, my maid servant, came into my service 18 October and to be paid 7? pounds per year

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27 November: Received letter brought by Commissary General J. Crawford, from S. S. Blowers Esq. dated Newport, contained note of hand of John Russel Spence in favor of Mrs. Jane Eustis; orders from B. Gen. McLean and J. Crawford A. D. Commissary Gen. for Return of people in Department, refused by Mr. Bernard, apothecary, to give Christian names; Mr. Marshall, surgeon, responded I was interfering and Bernard did not have to send me any return
2 December: In reference to Mr. Mallet’s previous letter, B. Gen. McLean said to not change anything and proceed as normal in the Department and also would agree to my request of pay at 20/ per day and would recommend to General Clinton.

4 December: Received letter from A. Paddock dated London.

7 December: Weather extremely cold; McLean will send his opinion to General Clinton respecting my pay, felt he was entitled.

8 December: Weather: snow storm; paid Molly Winchester a dollar.

11 December: Received candles from Barrack Office; my old faithful servant Do? Gunner died.

7 December: Last night, 2 prisoners escaped from the prison Hospital.

10 December: 8 rebel prisoners taken at Henry Cove brought up to town; 25 rebels and other vessels taken at Denhir? Cove and brought up to town.

14 December: Acquainted B. Gen. McLean of small number of sick in the Prisoners’ Hospital and its expensive establishment – he responded he would soon rectify.

22 – 26 December: Weather extremely cold, blowing snow, ceased 27th.

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1 January 1779: Weather mild; returned from Cold Harbour; Capt. Keppel visited.

2 January: Waiting to ask Gen. McLean permission for leave of absence and to appoint acting Purveyor to the hospital; Maj Hanfield and Lady, and G. Sproule and Lady visited; Capt. Mowat in “Albany” sloop of war with coal and convoy of ships to New York “fell down to the beach” and anchored, by Lt. Russel in the “Albany” wrote to Mallet and enclosed to him: Mr. Wilson’s fish account, and account of all stoppage money received at Halifax for year 1776; wrote A. Grant Esq., Field Inspector of Hospitals; committed to Lt. Shortland on the Agent ship “Lenox” fish and potatoes for Mr. Mallet; wrote to Capt. Alexander McDonald at Windsor, sent him tobacco clyster machine, [medical equipment]; Mrs. Handfield asked me to attend Capt. Bayard’s Lady during her labor which should be next month; review of bedding stores: nothing deficient, bedding injured by wet store room; delivered Mrs. Jos. Gray a daughter.

3 January: Respecting permission for leave of absence and getting a temporary replacement, General McLean agrees.

4 January: The “Albany,” Capt. Mowat; sailed with coal ships; received notice of Capt. McDonald’s Lady’s death.

6 January: Entertainment—Mrs. J [his wife, Mrs. Jeffries] and I spent the evening at a ball held at the new Barracks.
7 January: Gave orders to Steward of prison Hospital to discharge all nurses and cook from prison Hospital; cartel ship sailed from Boston and carried all the prisoners both from Provost and from prisoners’ Hospital

8 January: General McLean’s orders: prison Hospital to be cleaned out, and to discharge the Steward and all servants of that hospital; General McLean reassured me I may go to England with no repercussions; gave order to the Steward to make out returns for the Commissary as requested by Mr. Crawford, deputy commissary; gave order to Barrack Office for coal for my use; order from McLean re: collecting stoppage money

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9 January: Informed by Rev. Dr. Bennet that Lt. Gov. Hughes had given him the deputation of Annapolis; Capt. Calhoun, 74th Regt. and Capt. Barkley, Navy, visited us

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10 January: Waiting for Maj. Craig’s advice about the choice of Mr. Ennis/Innis, surgeon to his regiment, as acting Purveyor while I am gone, gave favorable opinion; invited Capt. Usborne of Herlehy’s Independent Co. but he declined; Maj. Handfield agreed to acting as my power of attorney while I am gone; sent to Capt. Spry by order of McLean order to find someone to inspect a way to keep out snow and rain from Hospital store room

12 January: Capt. Keppel and Capt. Mason visited us

13 January: Invited W. Apthorp and lady to dine with us but already engaged; Capt. Mason and Capt. Keppel dined and they with Capt. Barclay and Maj. Handfield visited us

14 January: Mrs. J and I dined with Capt. Keppel on the Dockyard in company with Capt. Milligan and Capt. Mason; Capt Milligan? of the “Blonde” exchanged ships with Capt. Barkley of the “Scarborough” which goes home in company with the “Iris,” Capt. Keppel; Mrs. Jackson died

15 January: Offered the duty of Purveyor during my leave to Mr. Innis, surgeon to 82nd Regiment, and to be allowed half the pay of that appointment; Capt. Keppel and Capt. Mason dined with us

16 January: Ordered by D. Comm. Gen. to get my rations due from 25 June to 24 Dec; rations due to T. Smith, mate to Hospital, 25 June to 20 August refused me by D. Comm. Gen; received coal from Barrack Yard

17 January: Capt. Keppel and Capt. Milligan, navy, dined with us, Capt. Keppel supped; went with Mrs. J at funeral of Mrs. Jackson, Maj. Handfield’s mother, we came too late

18 January: Carried to General McLean Hospital general accounts current August to December and other accounts and receipts; McLean agreed to Mr. Innis as my replacement; mentioned pay of Purveyor’s clerk was not included in the contingent expenses; informed General late prison Hospital cleared and cleaned and General directed remaining stores to be sent to general Hospital, bedding and utensils may stay for now; asked of him Paddock’s additional pay and General would think on it; few days ago armed sloop “Howe” left for St. John’s Bay of Fundy by which I wrote to Maj. Studholme; went to Queen’s Ball at [?]: Mrs. J and Capt. Keppel

19 January: Introduced Mr. Innis at the hospital and Capt. Keppel dined and supped; sent down my pony and saddle to Maj. Handfield
20 January: Dined with Capt. Keppel at Dockyard in company with Capt. Milligan and Capt. Barkley

21 January: Auction at House, sold off chief household furniture; dined at Dockyard with Mrs. J at Capt. Keppel’s

22 January: Delivered hay to Mr. Williams of Dockyard; Capt. Keppel dined with us; sent account to Rev. Dr. Breynton, received money with “saucy” message from Paddock stating it was not usual to send accounts to clergy, I sent money back to him with my thanks for his information on the custom of the place—“he is a Jesuit”; received compliments from Maj. Craig 82nd Regiment and Mr. A. Finncane, secretary to General McLean pertaining to furniture bought at our auction; sent to Maj. Handfield a sword, to Maj. Craig a barometer and razors, and to Maj. Lyons prospect glass and hardware, etc.; weather: very extreme cold and harbor frozen; Dr. Prince account for providing me with common wood—a grateful return for my “interception and repeated mediation” on his behalf with Gen. Massey; Memo: never to be so positive again or be so credulous in favor of a rogue, especially when it is the opinion of all his acquaintances that he is so

23 January: Capt. Alex. McDonald called upon us—chimney on fire and the whole house in confusion; McDonald’s opinion is Connel, Steward to hospital; may stay long enough to train a replacement; he also said he would take care of my son’s rations and pay after his discharge as a Volunteer in the RYH Regiment; Mr. Avery finally sent his account for milk, indicated to him he needed to send them at the proper time expected; Avery wrote me a most “impertinent and rude letter containing untruths,” I will show it to Mr. Bennet who proposed I get milk from Avery; Capt. Keppel: tea and dined with us

24 January: Discussed with Rev. Mr. Bennet (who had been confined with illness) the situation with Avery who agreed Avery’s letter was rude; ordered Steward to go and see Avery’s account properly made out; Capt. Keppel dined, tead, and supped with us; eastern passage frozen

25 January: General McLean said he was thinking of breaking up the general hospital; received money from Capt. Alex. McDonald for my son John’s volunteer pay from 25 August to 23 February 1779; mentioned to McLean deficiencies in stoppages due general hospital, directed me to extend stoppage monies and credit the hospital; Capt. Alex. McDonald, RYH, Mr. Innis, surgeon 82nd Regiment, and Capt. Keppel dined with us, Capt. Keppel stayed for supper; weather: air warm

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26 January: weather: strong wind, ice in harbour broke up from our house to Dockyard; asked the Steward to insert rice into the diet; Mr. Jos. Gray rectified mistake in his account; error in Commissary’s monthly receipt for rice, more than any received or issued at prison Hospital; dined with son and Capt. Keppel in Dockyard; Capt. Keppel tead and supped with us; Capt. Mason in the “Delaware” frigate sailed for New York

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27 January: Weather: extreme cold; persons passed upon the ice from Dartmouth, Eastern Battery over to the town; found and sent errors to Mr. Bernard to sign when rectified; spoke to Mr. Finicune, D4 Commissary, respecting the order of rice who agreed to rectify mistake by paying Mr. Butler for it as a private gentleman, but refused to sign official receipt; ordered coal for myself; received order from Mr. C. [Crawford], Deputy Commissary, for my rations and rum, 25 December – 24 January 1779
28 January: Harbour extremely frozen over, pass and repass to Dartmouth on ice; Capt. Keppel breakfasted with us, dined, tead, and supped.

29 January: Weather: more moderate; dined with Capt. Keppel in Dockyard—he tead and supped with us; Mr. Bernard politely signed and rectified receipts.

30 January: Harbour continues frozen; Brigade Major Boyel to mention to the General: removal of or disposal of general hospital, would like my pay as Purveyor from August 1778, and hospital accounts and receipts are ready for his examination; Capt. Keppel dined and supped with us.

31 January: Decided to tell Capt. Brown of the loss of his prize by fire after consulting with Drs. Dickinson, Wyer, and Davis; harbor broke up; dined with Capt. Keppel at Dockyard, he supped with us; Mrs. J. hysterical all night, her mind fatigued about the voyage, etc.

1 February: Capt. Keppel dined and supped with us; Capt. Alex. McDonald tead; received fire pistols from Maj. Lyons; Gen. McLean examined my accounts and found them right, gave him accounts to 24 January; recommend Mr. Hastings to Maj. Boyd as proper to get rations and he said he would recommend him to General.

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2 February: Arrived the sloop “Albany,” Capt. [Henry] Mowat from New York and received letter from Mr. Mallet in answer to mine; heard the following: “Culloden” man of war 64 guns, Capt. Balfour, is lost and the “Swift” sloop of war, Province of Georgia has capitulated to terms offered in the Commissioners Manifesto; H. Laurens Esq. late President of the Congress had quit Congress; Capt. Barrington of 70th Regiment was taken coming here and his Lady drowned; dined and supped at Maj. Handfield’s—Mrs. J, Capt. Keppel, Capt. Milligan, Capt. Barley, Col. Bayard, and poor Balfour—“as brave as he was worthy”; the rebel General Lee has broke by sentence of court martial and wounded in duel with one of General Washington’s Aid de Camps.

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3 February: Sir H. Clinton, by letter to McLean, disapproves my appointment of Purveyor, refuses me pay as such but orders me paid as indicated by Gen. Howe, McLean will give me a certificate of my services as Purveyor and at certain wage [shown]; Capt. Keppel dined and supped with us.

4 February: Mr. Innis, surgeon to 82nd Regiment, examined all bedding and stores in Purveyor’s room, and all right; heard from Capt. Keppel that McLean said at Gov. Hughes’s table that the hospital accounts were cleanest he’d ever seen in Garrison; Mrs. J and Capt. Keppel went to Ball at Pontacks? given by Officers of 74th Regiment, I couldn’t attend due to working on accounts.

5 February: Received letter from my father dated Boston; McLean’s response to Mr. Mallet’s directive to me respecting the numbering and closing of my hospital accounts was he found them alright and did not need altering; McLean ordered me to settle my accounts up to 6 Feb, and deliver up all bedding, hospital stores, and provisions in my hands as Purveyor to Mr. Innis, surgeon to 82nd Regiment; Capt. Keppel, Lt. Col. Bayard, and Mr. Frazer breakfasted with us; Capt. Keppel dined and supped.

6 February: Capt. Keppel breakfasted, dined, and supped with us; delivered up charge of hospital to Mr. Innis.

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7 February: Sent keys to Purveyor’s store to Mr. Innis and delivered every article; wrote Mr. Mallet: return of provisions left in hospital, and return of all better, these and all the hospital books (for example: Wages Book) to go to New York; Capt. Keppel dined and supped with us

8 February: Gave Gen. McLean remaining accounts, receipts, and surgeons receipts for provisions for 22 August to 6 February 1779, mentioned again my not getting pay of Purveyor nor any clerk allowed and he thought I merited more and should get redress in England; gave to his care for Mr. Mallet all the Hospital books, etc.; gave to Mr. Innis Hospital account books, etc.; “Iris” frigate fell down from the Dockyard to the Victuals Office to take in provisions; Joseph Butler and 2 women are lost in attempting to pass the North West arm; from the “Blaze Castle,” privateers, 3 Hessians, and 1 other man froze and drowned at Major’s Beach

10 February: Capt. Keppel dined and supped; Mr. Dennyman paid in full for flour; sent Mr. Mallet Mr. Bernard’s receipts for medicine and instruments used by Garrison Hospital; sent long letter to my father and closed uncle’s will? left with me and my account against Uncle’s estate; also wrote to G. Jeffrey and my sister Nancy, all left with Major Handfield to transmit; Capt. Keppel began to lodge with us; dealt with controversy re: copper sold at my auction

11 February: Received a warrant for pay as ordered by Sir H. Clinton from August to February and received Secretary Finicune’s receipt for Hospital books and vouchers, etc., left in his office; returned money to Mr. Cochran for copper sold to him by mistake and ordered it to Mr. Williams

12 February: Capt. Keppel continues to honour us with his company; Capt. Milligan dined and supped; weather: very cold and windy; walked out to shoot, no sport

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13 February: Gave to Maj. Handfield my power of attorney and all my memo notes, etc.; B. Gen. McLean refused to leave to his Secretary to sign his receipt for the balances paid him on Hospital account until the word late Purveyor to Hospital was erased—“this does great honor indeed to Gen. Massey’s appointment!!!”; Capt. Keppel—gave him medical advice and medicine pertaining to his bowels, including wearing warmer clothes, and flannel over his stomach; no tidings of Jos. Butler yet

14 February: McLean to give my certificate Wednesday; received letter from Maj. Lyons asking my advice for Capt. Hewett, 70th Regiment, who is critically ill, will look on him; after much difficulty, met Dr. Wyer in consult for Miss Morris concerning her knee—treatment advised, including emollient; consulted for Capt. Hewett, 70th Regiment, with Mr. Marshall, General Hospital, Mr. Bernard, ditto, Mr. Leightburner, surgeon 70th Regiment, and Mr. Wood, surgeon 74th Regiment [no more information included]; Capt. Keppel dined at Gen. McLean’s “who made him as drunk as a private gent ought with Capt. Fielding’s champagne”

16 February: Capt. Milligan, Capt. Brown called upon us; bills of exchange bought on Misters Smith, Apthorp, and Major Handfield given to Capt. Mulligan for me in England

17 February: Mrs. Jeffries with Johnny and Nancy and their nurse embarked on board the “Iris” frigate with Capt. George Keppel for England; took medical care of Mrs. Handfield who slipped and fractured her left patella, reduced fractured patella and applied compresses and bandages, stayed with her all night; paid Polly Winchester, Sukey? Young [née Forster], Polly Read, and Mrs. Winchester in full, gave 2 guineas—Mrs. Love, and change to Kate who had been a very good servant girl; left with Mr. Young money to pay Mr. Loader for all the glass broken in his home and to give him the key as soon as it was
cleaned for which purpose I had engaged Mrs. Young; Gen. McLean ordered Mr. Morder to deliver fuel due me, ordered and accepted by Barrack Office for coal; left articles with Mr. Young to be sent to auction; Capt. Keppel lodged with us till we embarked

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18 February: Embarked on board “Iris” with Mr. Paddock about 1:00; 8:00 could just distinguish Sambro lighthouse; I am very sick

19 February: Weather: squally with snow and rain; very sick indeed and children too

20 February: Weather: very squally with snow; I am still sick; Mrs. J “surprisingly keeps up”

21 February: Weather: pleasant day; feeling better, got up on deck with family; Capt. Keppel kind and attentive

22 February: All hands called to quarters upon seeing a sail bearing down upon us, soon lost sight of her; weather: fine warm day; Mrs. J took pill; “nurse ill gave physick”

23 February: weather—fine day; latitude 40 & 10; weather evening—windy and squally with extreme gales; very large sea store in both quarter galleys, obliged to have them nailed up, “horrid night”

24 February: Weather—fine day; 2 men punished—one for drunkenness and other for theft; one of the invalid sailors died; weather—very hard hail and rain, lightening, etc.

25 February: Weather—“Foul rainy day and foul winds”

26 February: Weather—foul with heavy wind; “mortifying circumstance” with a ship upon us—not enough men to fight our ship and earn any prize we might take, so we could not engage and cleared off

27 February: Weather—fair; another invalid died and buried with decency, purser read the funeral service; very narrowly escaped being killed by a mallet falling from the main top and grazing my shoulder and back

28 February: Weather—hard gale with very heavy showers and squalls; “passed a most distressed night”

1 March: Weather—fresh gales with squalls and rain

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2 March: Weather—moderate and warm, fair wind

3 March: Another invalid died; weather—foul, rainy day

4 March: Another invalid died, decently committed to the deep, funeral service performed by purser; weather—fair; discovered sail at dusk to windward

5 March: Weather fair and warm with heavy gale; being northward of our latitude were obliged to lie; very sick

6 March: Weather—fair, gale was hard but still “foul,” gale increased by noon; sprung our main mast between decks which was fixed

7 March: Weather—heavy gale and sea; are laying to, unable to set up Jury mast
8 March: Same weather, still laying to

9 March: Same weather and sea all night; are laying to; prepared to set up Jury main mast; “most distressing and unlucky prospect we have had ever since the 6th”; Mrs. J has behaved very unkindly to me ever since our embarking and with great apparent want of love and respect; Capt. Keppel likewise lately

10 March: Foul weather and wind continue; suppose ourselves about 54 degrees latitude and about 200 leagues westward of lands’ end; set up Jury main mast and strengthened our foremast

11 March: Weather—fair, thank god; making sails etc. for Jury main mast

12 March: Weather and wind fair; continue to get Jury main mast and top mast with sails

13 March: Main sail set upon our Jury mast, Jury top mast sprung; weather—foul and rainy; sounded this day but found no ground; evening struck soundings in 90 fathoms water—“thank god”

14 March: 2 more invalids died; weather—thick and hazy; got soundings 8:00 in 64 fathoms water—“Laus Deo Cordé” [Praise God]

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15 March: Weather: fair; about sunrise discovered a sail far to windward; after firing 4 guns, the sail came to and the Master came on board and informed us: he left Cork yesterday and that Scilly is E.S.E. from us about 10 leagues and that Admiral Keppel has been tried and acquitted and now commanded the fleet either at sea or just going out; by night time we passed the light house at the southern island of Scilly Isles [Isles of Scilly].

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16 March: Weather calm; several sail and lost sight of Scilly

17 March: Weather: moderate pleasant day; saw large ship ahead of us and Irish ship near her; 11:00 discovered several sails and Kings Cutter ahead and upon each boy; saw many birds; 5:00 fired shot and hoisted signal to speak to Kings Cutter; another invalid died; weather at night—stormy with rain

18 March: At sunrise off Portland Point and saw Isle of Wight; 11:00 passed Dunrose? and opened Sandown Castle and the Culver Cliffs; fired gun, hoisted signal, pilot came on board and informed us: Admiral Pye commands at Spithead; Admiral Byron sunk 4 French ships of the line under command of Count d’Estaing; Admiral Keppel, after being tried by Court Martial by his own request and acquitted, refused to take command of the fleet unless Lord Sandwich war no longer at the head of the Admiralty, so Admiral may command the fleet; Sir Hugh Palliser dismissed from service for not having obeyed Admiral Keppel’s orders and that Palliser had been burnt in effigy at Portsmouth; 4:00 anchored at Spithead—a fine view of the Country, the Royal Fleet, and Town of Portsmouth; grateful arrived “for self and little ones”; Capt. Milligan who sailed in company with us from Halifax, came for us, he was ill; 5:00 came on shore to George Inn, Mr. palmers with Capt. Keppel engaged at Lt. Hall’s, of Invalids, in St. Thomas Street

19 March: Came on shore with Mrs. J and our children and Mr. Paddock and their nurse, dined at George Inn with Capt. Keppel and Capt. Milligan, then went to the play with Mrs. J and Capt. Keppel and saw “The Provoked Wife” and “The Miser”—bad acting, but music tolerable; afterwards Mrs. J and I went to our lodgings at St. Thomas Street, Mr. Paddock and children were already there
20 March: Capt. Keppel breakfasted with us at St. Thomas Street; wrote letter to Paddock and a ‘thank you’ to Capt. Keppel; received one trunk on shore—“obliged to bribe the Landwaiter of Custom House [oversees landing of goods from vessels] with a guinea and several crowns to the other inferior villains”; Mr. Trollop, adjutant to Portsmouth division of Marines, told me that Gen. Massey had obtained for me an appointment of apothecary to General Hospital at Nova Scotia at 10/pr day with half pay; Capt. Brown had tea with us; Capt. Keppel and son Lt. Augustus Keppel dined with us

21 March: Capt. Butler of Marines and Lt. Packenham called upon us at George Inn and confirmed Massey had got my appointment established but they didn’t know what the appointment was

22 March: Saw the “Hector,” 74 guns, the “Prince George,” 90 guns, and the old “Marlborough,” a 74 gun at Dry Dock; “Prince George” being repaired after receiving shots in action with the French; “Invincible” in dry dock having been dismasted etc. when she went out with Admiral Byron to America last summer; saw “Victory,” a 110 gun, late Admiral’s flagship, into dock to be repaired after receiving lots of damage in action with the French fleet last summer; also saw “Brittania,” a 110, rigged and riding? off the dock yard, and the “Sandwich,” a 90, and 2 90-gun ships; Capt. Keppel and Lt. Egan of the “Valiant” breakfasted with us; Capt. Keppel and Lt. Robert Manners (brother to Lord Granby) of the “Victory” dined with us; in response to my “thank you,” Capt. Keppel said he was happy at bringing me home and to help in future, keeping in mind times have “altered” with his uncle Admiral Keppel’s leaving his command of the fleet

23 March: Capt. Keppel breakfasted with us after which he, myself, and Mrs. J went to Rowland Castle now belonging to Miss Montague, they in a phaeton carriage and myself by horse; returned to Mr. Tidz dall’s—the Bear Inn at Havant where we dined, then back to George Inn at Portsmouth; received letters from A. Paddock dated London

24 March: Capt. Brown called and thanked me for my advice and attention during the voyage to which he is heartily welcomed; heard Minorca is besieged by 19 000 troops and 6 ships of the line

25 March: Received from H. Newton Esq. parcel which included letter from Gen. Massey and one for Mrs. J dated London, also included gifts from Massey such as, for Mrs. J—garnet necklace and earrings and hemlock seed, and a small marble bust profile of Massey for myself; also received in packed a letter from A. Paddock dated London and papers and vouchers respecting money placed in consolidated funds being my property, and a letter from Arthur Savage Esq. dated London; visited the dockyard with Capt. Keppel

26 March: Sent Gen. Massey a letter; Capt. Keppel dined etc. with us; went to Portsmouth Theatre in the evening saw “All in the Wrong” and “All the World”—a stage performed tolerably well and pleasant enough; Capt. Keppel ordered to go with his ship to Plymouth to be paid off; Lt. Packenham very politely offered his boat and use of his house at Isle of Wight, which I cannot accept as am about to go to London, hope to remember his politeness; Capt. Keppel offered and urged us to take his servant Robert to London with us and provide us with lodging etc. which I refused “as much as I decently could” as it will be inconvenient to him; he is attentive and “polite in the extreme” and hope it may be my turn sometime
27 March: Capt. Keppel sailed from Spithead to Plymouth under convoy the “Terrible” at 200 sail ships and vessels; paid my Inn bill, “very extravagant”; family got into post chaise [carriage] and went to White Hart at Petersfield—“a very fine turnpike road” and family afterwards got to Joseph Brodley’s? Blue Anchor at Liphook, arriving at 9:00PM; Major Paddock and son in a post chaise came to us with supplies

28 March: 12:00 set off in post chaise for Guildford, 2:30 arrived at White Hat at Guildford, pretty view midway; 4:00 got to the George at Cobham—the property of Hopkins, Esq., who allows the gardens open every day for company to walk in; 5:00 set off and went to Griffin Inn, Mr. Catchouse at Kingston, set out from there 6:30 and arrived at 9:00 to Major Paddock’s, No. 8 Charlotte Street, Pimlico? and from there went to lodgings at Mrs. Gallon, No. 1 Oxenden Street, between Picadilly and the Haymarket, [includes price and size of room]

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29 March: Directed to pay my bill another day to R. Harley, Esq, and G. Apthorp; was able to pay bill to Roberts Esq. and sons; met with Sam Rogers who was very glad to see me; delivered Joseph Gray’s large paquet to R. Harley Esq. to his servant; wrote to Keppel

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30 March: Delivered all Capt. Spry’s paquets at the Ordnance Office; saw wild animals [named], and included baboons “almost human and more sensibility than a large part of what is called human race”; Abel Willard called upon us, very polite; called upon Maj. Small and left my card, same to Dr. N. Perkins—afterwards met him, William Jackson, Jonathan Bliss Esq., and Mr. Burgess at [?] Coffee House

31 March: Capt. Murdock McLean and Dr. N. Perkins visited us; bills of exchange accepted by G. Apthorp Esq. and by Hon. R. Harley Esq.

1 April: Mrs. Loring? (Commodore’s Lady) and Mrs. Winslow visited us, and Mrs. Winslow also dined and got several articles for Maj. Handfield

2 April: Maj. Small and Capt. McLean came and informed me that my appointment was apothecary to the Hospital at Halifax, 10/pr day; Small brought Mr. Thompson (American and present favourite of Lord Germain) and said he would inform him of my situation; Capt. C. Feilding at St. James Palace received me politely and offered to help in any way he could, advised me to call upon Mr. Adair as did Maj. Small; Martin Howard Esq. called upon me; left my card with my address at Ed. Jeffries’s, Lothbury

3 April: Capt. Feilding did us the honour to visit us; Judge Oliver visited; left my card with Mr. Adair; sent Mr. Paddock with his son to go and pay his compliments to Mr. Grant at Chelsea Hospital; left card with my respects to Lt. Col. Balfour of 23rd Regiment, tried to visit Ed. Jeffries but he’s gone to his country house at Walthamstow, enquired after all the family and visited Mrs. Draper

4 April: With Maj. Small went to see Capt. Grant and family, called upon—Mr. Stewart and Lady, Miss Ewing, and Mr. Borland and family; Maj. Small urged very strongly I take the position of apothecary to the Hospital at Halifax; met B. Halowell and N. Coffin, Esquires, in the park—“received rather cavalierly [indifferent] by them, returned it in kind”

5 April: Wrote Mr. Grant

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6 April: Visited Mr. Adair at Argyle Buildings, confirmed my appointment as apothecary and said if I wanted a leave of absence I would have to get it from a higher power such as the Commander in Chief; drank tea with Mrs. J at Maj. Paddock’s in Charlotte Street

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7 April: Maj. Small introduced me to Sir James Napier, Director General of His Majesty’s Hospital in America, also met General Gage there; Napier’s advice—not to do anything until received my commission then to petition for apothecary to the Hospital in America at large and not confined to Halifax; visited Mr. Copely, portrait painter in Leicester Fields; and to Sadlers Wells [theatre] with Mrs. J, Maj. Paddock and Capt. Gore—“well entertained with singing, tumbling?, and dancing”

8 April: News—last night Miss Wray, mistress to Lord Sandwich by whom she has several children, was “designedly shot” by clergyman Mr. Hackman as she stepped into her carriage at the Piazza, Covent Garden Theatre

9 April: Visited Mr. Bayard, No. 99 Jermyn Street, but he was not in; received letter from Mr. Grant dated Crown Inn, Portsmouth; visited Mr. Peter Johonnot, Macclesfield Street, Soho; visited us—Lt. Hawkins, Dr. Saunders, Sam Quincy; wrote to Mr. Winslow, Highgate

10 April: Visited Gov. Hutchinson, Sackville Street, Piccadilly, left my card

11 April: Called on—Mr. Watner, Dr. Saunders, and Dr. Jeffries, Bishopgate Street, and left my card with each; Dr. Jeffries was home but “busy—call there no more at present”; Capt. McLean visited us

12 April: Maj. Small visited as well as Lt. Hawkins who goes to Holyhead tomorrow en route to Ireland; letter to Gen. Massey “designed under cover of Maj. Small’s Frank”; showed Capt. Feilding at St. James Palace Sir. G. Collier’s “Challenge” to Gen. Massey and 2 scandalous papers received from Collier at Halifax and a copy of “chronicle” spread, he responded it was impossible for me to return there again; called upon Martin Howard Esq. and D. Leonard Esq. in Eaton Street, Pimlico?

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13 April: Visited but not home: Mr. Thompson (Lord Germain’s favourite) in Pall Mall and Mr. Adair, Argyle Buildings, left cards; Mr. Warner, surgeon, visited us; T. Flucker Esq. and A. Savage called upon us; Maj. Small came and introduced Capt. Kemple; afternoon went to Brompton Row and drank tea at Savage’s; visited T. Flucker Esq. and family; saw Lewis Gray who told me about his dispute with Mr. Marshall, surgeon at Hospital in Halifax in a coffee shop here before he came out, when Marshall said he hoped he would get caught by the Americans on passage to America and would then join the American cause

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14 April: Maj. Small and Mr. Thompson called upon us; Mrs. Winslow invited us to Highgate Friday; politely received by Mr. Warner, surgeon, Halton Garden; evening went to Covent Garden Theatre with Mrs. J at [?] Gallery and saw Mrs. Yates play the part of Calista in the “Fair Penitant”—most “delicate sensibility”; the other parts “played tolerable, but not equal to Powell and his coadjutors”

15 April: Mr. Adair said he would inquire at the War Office concerning my leave of absence and advised me to go to the War Office about my commission
16 April: Maj. Small went to Portsmouth; went with Mrs. J to visit Mrs. Winslow and Mrs. Loring at Highgate; drank tea at Commodore Loring’s, then came home in coach with Mrs. Jos. Loring and daughter; went to visit my children at Mrs. Draper’s in Charlotte Street; tried to visit Ed. Jeffries in Lothbury but not home, left card

17 April: Took lodgings—1st floor, No. 11 St. James Place, near the Palace, 2 guineas/week and dined by invitation at Gov. Hutchinson’s, Sackville Street in company with Chief Justices Livius of Quebec, N. Coffin, Jn? Green Esquire, and Dudley, Collector of Customs at Rhode Island; Evening: Jasper Maudit Esq. and Capt. C. Feilding called upon us; received embroidered regimentals for Maj Handfield; Mrs. J came to town with Mrs. Winslow and returned again to Highgate; paid Mrs. Gallon of all demands for Mrs. J

18 April: Removed my lodgings to Mrs. P?, No. 11 St. James Place, evening went to Highgate and lodged with Mrs. J, went in return Post Chaise [carriage]

19 April: Returned to St. James Place in the stage and left Mrs. J at Mrs. Winslow’s; Rev. Mr. Hackman was executed at Tyburn for the murder of Miss Wray, mistress to Lord Sandwich, as she came from Covent Garden Theatre; dined at Beatty’s Chop House, walked out to Chelsea College, drank coffee with Mrs. Grant; Capt. Grand abroad

20 April: Breakfasted with Mr. Warner, Hatton Street, with my son and invited to dine there with Mrs. J and son; noon: Mrs. J came to town; thought I lost a trunk with many valuables [listed]; drank tea with Mrs. J at Mrs. Draper’s, Charlotte Street

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21 April: Visited Ed. Jeffries, Lothbury and saw his daughter and the daughter of Joseph Jeffries; at the War Office saw order registered for my appointment of apothecary at Halifax dated 14 December 1778 and told my commission lay at Lord Germain’s office; Mr. Thompson not at home when I called, but left my card

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22 April: Capt. C. Feilding busy with Archbishop of York when I called, left my card

23 April: Mr. Adair directed me to Lord Germain’s office about my commission, and said Mr. Lewis at War Office said I should not apply for leave of absence and said as there’s no official information that I am here in England, I could stay till July then go to New York with the clothing being sent; concerning his commission, Mr. Thompson at Lord Germain’s office said he would investigate; received bill of exchange from G. Apthorp Esq. drawn by his brother Will at Halifax; gave Mrs. J 30 guineas

24 April: Visited N. Coffin Esq. and family at Chudleigh Court, Pall Mall, and T. Brindley and Lady at Hay Market; Capt. C. Feilding had friendly visit, and is off to Portsmouth, returning the end of the week; wrote to Lt. Trollope and Maj. Handfield at Halifax

25 April: Mr. Thompson had spoken with Lord Germain who was unaware of my commission but would direct Mr. Knox and Mr. de Gray to investigate

26 April: Called upon Dr. N. Perkins, Col. Balfour at Piccadilly, and Gen. Gage, Postman Place, and left cards for all as not home; called upon Mrs. and Miss Hutchinson at Gov. Shirley’s, Orchard Street, Portman Square; Capt. Ross, 14th Regiment, visited Mrs. J, we had met him in the park yesterday, he invited us to Greenwich to dine next Sunday; received letter from Lt. Trollope dated Portsmouth; on
board “St. Lawrence” sent Maj. Handfield articles with receipts, and embroidered suit of regimentals received from Mr. Roberts his agent

27 April: Went to Campson’s Academy at Masons Hill near Bromley in Kent with Maj. Paddock to discuss with Mr. Campson my son’s attendance; noon left and stopped at Rush Green; weather—shower of hail, drank good ale; returned home through Brockley, Peckham, and Cumberwell, very pleasant walk, 27 miles total

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28 April: Called upon Mr. Thompson and had long conversation on “Speculative Philosophy and Happiness,” good and evil, etc., “totally well fine ideas but not easily attained to reduce to practice,” showed me some (?) balls designed to prevent recoiling of cannon used in the Navy he is experimenting with and said he intended to volunteer with Sir Charles Hardy and try and put it into practice

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29 April: Mrs. J had teeth cleaned by Mr. Normonsett?, Dentist, South Moulton Row; left my card at Capt. D. Johnston’s, Knightsbridge; visited Rev. Mr. Edwards Academy at Lambeth but found he only took young ladies at 12 guineas/year; Gen. Gage left his card; met Gov. Hutchinson in the park and he asked to see B. Franklin’s letters which I had brought from Boston, and I sent them; went to Drury Lane Theatre with Mrs. J and Mrs. Winslow, sat in front box and saw the “School for Scandal”—“played very well,” and characters of Lady and Sir. Peter Teazel “exceedingly well played” by Mr. King and Mrs. Abingdon; after the comedy—the Jubilee with a grand pageant very well done—“alas too expensive for JJ”

30 April: Visited Ed Jeffries and had long conversation about political and domestic matters; passing through St. James’s Park, met King and Queen who were on their way to Drury Lane Theatre, received gracious courtesy from her Majesty; Mr. Ball told me Capt. Keppel has been in town for about a week “at which I was a little surprised”

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1 May: Left my card at Mr. Thompson’s, Pall Mall; called upon Capt. C. Feilding at St. James Palace who introduced me to Lord Berkley, Capt. Fink, Navy, he was surprised that Capt. Keppel had not seen us; left my card at Capt. Keppel’s lodging in South Audley? Street; received a thank you from Gov. Hutchinson for the political letters given him, he thinks they show the manner and progress of the Rebellion; received gift of a medical pamphlet from Capt. C. Feilding; wrote apologies to Capt. Ross, 14th Regiment at Greenwich for not being able to dine tomorrow

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2 May: Left my card with Mr. Thompson, Pall Mall; returning through Pall Mall met Capt. G. Keppel who asked about Mrs. J and said he would come to see her tomorrow; at noon went to Highgate in the stage with my son and met there Mrs. J and Mrs. Redwood at Mrs. Winslow’s, stayed the night

3 May: Mrs J, Mrs. Winslow, Mrs. Redwood, my son, and I came to town in coach; Mrs. Redwood went to her lodgings in Surrey Street, Mrs. Winslow plans to stay with us at our lodgings at St. James Palace
for a few days; received money from Mr. Roberts for Maj. Handfield's bill and asked him for additional amount on Maj.’s account for the articles I sent him in the “St. Lawrence,” he would get back to me.

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4 May: Noon set out with Mr. Paddock for Twickenham passing the King’s new road and through Fulham and Putney, across Putney Common through Richmond Park (where there were lots of deer), and then over Richmond Hill; breakfasted at the entrance of Richmond Bridge (new of stone) and went across fields to late seat and residence of Alex Pope Esq., now the property of Wilbore Ellis Esq., Treasurer to the Navy—fine gardens and walks and 2 “remarkable grottos of rough rubbles and stone, with busts”; thereafter went to Rev. Mr. S. Stretcher Academy—pleased, boys appear happy; returned to London through Richmond, Spring Grove, over Kew Bridge, Kew, and Kensington to St. James Palace; Capt. Keppel and Mrs. Thompson visited Mrs. J while I was gone; Capt. Keppel’s “manners and deportment estranged and altered to Mrs. J”; received from Gen. Massey dated Dublin, Sackville Street, a letter with a certificate of my service; at Halifax; Mrs. Redwood visited and Mrs. Winslow continues to stay here.

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5 May: Mr. Thompson says Lord Germain has directed Mr. Pollock, who has the care of everything for the War Office, to look into my getting a commission; Thompson said he would relay my situation to Lord Germain.

6 May: Left a card with Capt. G. Keppel at South Audley Street; visited Mr. Warner, Halton Street, and Dr. Saunders, Jeffries Square; met in street and chatted with Capt. D. Johnson, aid-de-camp to Lord Percy, with Miss Griffiths; Capt. Feilding visited Mrs. J; drank tea, supped at Mrs. Redwood’s, Surrey Street with Mrs. J, Mrs. Winslow, and Dr. Middleton of South Carolina.

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7 May: Capt. Millikan visited; evening went to Drury Lane Theatre and saw “Clandestine Marriage” and “The Padlock” with “imitations of players by Banister Junior”; on way home “pickt up by girl of town—pityed her gave her some wine and shilling but no further.”

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8 May: Visited Sir James Napier at Little Brook Street and was politely received; visited Mr. Thompson and told him of my having a bundle of letters showing the progress of the rebellion at a certain time, he would like to see; letter from Mr. Thompson of news from Lord Germain of my commission appointing me apothecary to the Hospital at Nova Scotia and now in Mr. Pollock’s hands at Lord Germain’s office; Mr. Warner visited and offered us to his next Sunday, also invited Mrs. Winslow.

9 May: Left card at Capt. Keppel’s, South Audley Street; Capt. Feilding visited us for couple hours; Mr. Warner came at 3:00 and took me, Mrs. J, and my son to his house where we were politely received and entertained, returned in his coach.

10 May: Mr. Thompson visited us; Lady Hawkins while visiting us invited Mrs. J to tea next Friday evening; visited Capt. Keppel 4:00—tolerably well received, he “cooly” said he would talk to Mr. Adair in my favor.


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12 May: Visited Mrs. Rogers, High Street, Marybone by invitation at being her “publick day”, very good dancing, etc.

14 May: Capt. Feilding visited us; Mrs. J visited and drank tea with Sir. John Hawkins, Lady, and family at Queen Street, Queen Square, Westminster, politely received and entertained.

15 May: Evening: Mr. Thompson of Pall Mall visited and drank tea; Capt. C. Feilding of St. James Palace visited for couple of hours; called upon Mrs. Redwood, Surry Street, Strand.

16 May: Mr. Warner and Lady, Halton Garden, visited us at St. James Palace, took Mrs. J back to dine with them; Dr. Saunders visited and I dined at his, St. Mary Axe, with Mr. Ross and his brother Capt. Ross, aid-de-camp to Lord Cornwallis; drank tea and supped with Mr. Nesbitt, surgeon, at Mr. Warner’s with his family and Mrs. J; Capt. Feilding visited this evening; guns to be made for me and ready in 4 weeks.

17 May: Capt. Feilding visited us and will speak to someone to apply to C. Jenkinson Esq., Secretary of War, in my favor to get the appointment of Physician to Hospital for me; evening went to Ranelagh with Mrs. J, returned at 2:00.

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18 May: Capt. Feilding asked me to write a letter about my case and situation and a Mr. Keene will lay it before the Hon. C. Jenkinson, Secretary at War; paid Mr. Pornée/Pownee? 8 guineas for lodgings etc. up to Sunday; Mr. Thompson left 2 cards, gone abroad; Lt. Hawkins, Navy, visited us; met Sir William Pepperell in Pall mall, glad to see me.

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19 May: Called upon Mr. Thompson in Pall Mall.

20 May: A. Savage advised me to ask of Gov. Hutchinson to speak to Israel Mauduit Esq. for him to state my case to Hon. C. Jenkinson Esq., Secretary at War, which the Gov. agreed to do; dined with Gov. Hutchinson of Pall Mall and drank tea; Capt. Feilding told Mrs. J that my case was sent to Mr. Keene and should have an answer before he left London; visited and prescribed for C. Loring at Highgate, he’s ill with palsy—“a bad case”

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21 May: Forenoon met Mr. I. Amory lately from New York via Ireland; soon after met in Haymarket with S? Fitch and N. Coffin, they mentioned a meeting of all the “American Refugee Loyalists” to consult upon an address to the King, could not go but promised any assistance I could give; Capt. C. Feilding would see Mr. Keene and if it appeared likely to succeed, would write to Sir George Baker, the Queen’s Physician, to recommend me; said he had spoken to Lady Charlotte Finch who obtained tickets for me and Mrs. J to have a seat at Lord Chamberlain’s box at the Ball; paid servant Nancy all her petty expenses and paid Mrs. Pownee? 8 guineas in full for rent and lodgings up to last Sunday.

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22 May: Via Capt. C. Feilding, received a letter from Mr. Keene stating the application for physician to the Secretary at War must be nominated by R. Adair; left my card at Capt. Keppel’s, South Audley Street, saw him later in Pall Mall and willing to talk to Mr. Adair, after hearing my wishes, tomorrow; Gov. Hutchinson gave word to meet about helping with my application; A. Savage attempted unsuccessfully
to meet with Israel Mauduit Esq. [brother to Jasper], will try again next week; evening went to
Kensington Gardens, meeting Mrs. J and Mrs. Redwood there, Mrs. Redwood came home with us; Mr.
Thompson visited for an hour

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23 May: Left card with Capt. Keppel; saw Gov. Hutchinson and after telling him of the conduct of
Marshall, surgeon, he advised to tell Israel Mauduit

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24 May: Mauduit, Clements Lane, said he would acquaint Jenkinson, Secretary at War, with my case and
ask Dr. Saunders (late [Huck?] to recommend me to R. Adair; Gov. Hutchinson will speak more for me
with Mauduit and mention to him to speak to Dr. Hichendon; received polite card from W. Keene Esq.
asking to see me at his house, Stable Yard, St. James Palace tomorrow; evening went to Drury Lane
Theatre and saw “School for Scandal,” a monody in memory of [David] Garrick, and “Who’s the
Dupe?”—“all very well played”; saw Capt. Keppel who asked to see me tomorrow

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25 May: Sent my letter to Mauduit, as asked, outlining my case by penny post; had “free conversation”
with W. Keene Esq. at St. James Palace, said my request was reasonable and recommended to the
Secretary at War and Mr. Adair; Mr. Adair said there was nothing more that could be done; Capt. Keppel
said he would ask Mr. Adair to help me but indicted he didn’t think Adair would do it; N. Coffin visited
and asked me to meet with the American Loyalists tomorrow at the Crown and Anchor Tavern, in the
Strand on business, will go if can; evening—Mr. Thompson visited, I being in bed, he stayed with Mrs. J

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26 May: Had freer conversation than before with Adair at Argyle Buildings, told me he had talked to Mr.
Keene, that Adair thought he could not do any more than has been done for me, and that he had
nothing to do with physician appointments or recommendations—it had to be done by Secretary at War
or State and by the recommendation of principal physicians in London or the King’s physicians; also told
me to be ready to go July 1

27 May: Shared with Gov. Hutchinson my conversation with Adair, he said he would consult with
Mauduit

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28 May: Met Capt. Keppel who said he had not been successful trying to meet with Mr. Adair but would
go to Chelsea to speak to him on my behalf; told Mr. Thompson of “my disagreeable situation” and he
said that he would acquaint Lord G. Germain and ask his advice; gave Mrs. J more money I had to keep
for her; Mr. Thompson mentioned his being appointed Muster Master General to principal American
Corps and that the Queens Rangers were to be the first Regiment or No. 1, also that there’s an intention
to build a strong for above St. John’s, Bay of Fundy

29 May: Walked out to Putney and Chelsea Bridge and saw the boat race at which the Duke of
Cumberland attended; Mr. Thompson visited till 2AM and told Mrs. J he had spoken with Germain who
wished me to write him of my case

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30 May: After showing Mr. Thompson, sent my letter to Lord Germain via Thompson; visited Dr. N. Perkins, Kings Mews, and after talking to Dr. Saunders (late Huck?), Saunders said he would talk to Mr. Adair about me; Mr. Thompson, Pall Mall, drank tea, and spent the evening and said he would deliver my letter to Lord Germain; walked around Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens

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31 May: Received letter from General Massey dated Dublin enclosing letter from R. Adair, Director General of Hospitals; Mr. Thompson drank tea and spent evening, and Mrs. Urquhart and Mrs. Flucker drank tea with Mrs. J; walked an hour in Kensington Gardens; went out to walk with Mrs. J

1 June: Capt. Keppel said he did not see Adair yet, not home; he mentioned the insurrection in a county in Ireland and that Lord Clermont was going; left card at Gov. Hutchinson, Sackville Street, and the letter from Massey to Adair, Argyle Buildings; evening saw Hutchinson who had not seen Mauduit yet; Mr. Thompson spent the evening with us and Lady Hawkins and daughter from Queen Square drank tea with us at St. James Place

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2 June: Left cards with Mr. Thompson, Pall Mall, and Ed. Jeffries, Lothbury, as not home; met Capt. Keppel at the Strand who had conversed with Adair but to no effect; Dr. N. Perkins left his card; Mr. Thompson drank tea with us; evening—went to Vauxhall with Mrs. J; gave Mrs. J. More money I have been keeping for her; Mr. Thompson said Germain read my letter and wanted to help

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3 June: Left a card at Dr. Perkins, Kings Mews, as not home; Mr. Thompson visited; met Capt. Keppel in Piccadilly, chatted but he “did not even enquire after Mrs. J”; evening went to Drury Lane Theatre; front box with Mrs. J and saw “School for Scandal”—a monody spoken by Mrs. Yates, and “Who’s the Dupe?”—“all played exceedingly well indeed,” this is the last time being played until the fall

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4 June: Brought by Capt. C. Feilding, 2 tickets from the Hon. Lady Charlotte Finch [Governess to King’s children], for seats in the Gallery Ball Room, St. James for this evening, “being the birth night,” Mr. Thompson dined and stayed this evening; Mr. Massey, Park Street (Gen. Massey’s brother) left a card; Dr. Perkins informed me Dr. Saunders had talked with Adair and both thought much had been done and no more could be done, and that it was a good promotion going from “supernumerary mate to apothecary,” “this is a great mistake and falsehood designed I believe to injure me and keep me down”; evening—in 2 chaises went with Mrs. J to Lady Charlotte Finch’s in the Palace, then directed by her servants to Lord Chamberlain’s Box in the Ball Room, St. James; saw “exceedingly brilliant company” of the King, Queen, Princes, etc.; received message at home Gov. Hutchinson wanted to see me

5 June: Gov. Hutchinson told me Mr. Mauduit was told by Dr. Saunders that he had talked with Adair about me, and Adair’s response was I had been promoted from mate and that I was being very well provided for, so Mauduit stopped pursuing; Gov. also said he had spoken with Lord Germain who said he would help if any way could be found; evening—walking in Kensington Gardens with my “Dear Boy,” Mr. Thompson drank tea with us and “walked out” with Mrs. J

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6 June: Mr. Thompson drank tea with us; evening—with Mrs. J rode out to Hampstead and returned

7 June: George Massey, Park Street, gone to Ireland; saw Mr. Paxton; Mr. Thompson said he “empowered” Dr. Saunders to tell Adair that Lord Germain wanted him to find something better for me; also said Lord Germain send his secretary de Grey to the Right Hon. Charles Jenkinson Esq., Secretary at War desiring he would change my appointment of apothecary to that of surgeon to the Hospital at New York; Mr. Thompson visited in evening

8 June: Mr. Thompson, Pall Mall, dined and tead with us at St. James Place; evening—Thompson and Mrs. J went to Vauxhall and Mr. Paddock visited

9 June: Walked with Mr. Paddock through Deptford and Greenwich across Blackheath to Woolwich and visited the Dockyard and wharves, etc., then crossed over Thames and walked up to Black Wall and dined, then walked up to Sadlers Wells and the dancing etc.; there met by appointment Mrs. J and Mr. Thompson with whom I rode home; Sir William Pepperell and Abel Willard Esq. visited us; Mr. Thompson dined with Mrs. J

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10 June: Attended Lord Germain’s levee at the Plantation Office, Germain was not there, spoke to Mr. Cumberland and left my thanks to Germain; Thompson dined, tead, and spent evening with us

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11 June: Weather—very rainy; destroyed no private letters; Mr. Thompson tead and spent evening; rode with Mrs. J

12 June: Paid nanny for petty expenses; Thompson and Mrs. J went to Furnace and Foundry near Black Friars Bridge; afternoon—Mrs. J and daughter Nancy visited Mrs. Winslow and Mrs. Loring at Highgate, returned to tea; evening—Mr. Thompson visited

13 June: Mr. Thompson drank tea and spent evening, rode with Mrs. J for couple of hours in coach and was told the Secretary at War would give me the commission as surgeon once I was examined and produced necessary qualifications; Mr. Thompson will introduce me to Lord Germain Tuesday; had pleasant walk around Kensington Wall, Paddington, etc.

14 June: Paid Mrs. Pownee? 8 guineas for lodgings to the 13th; Mr. Thompson visited and attended Mrs. J to Westminster Abbey, St. Paul’s Cathedral, Tower Armory, etc. and see the “curious” wax works; gave Thompson political letters etc. of Dr. Franklin and Gov. Pownall, etc. for his and Lord Germain’s perusal; Lt. Hawkins visited us; Dr. Oliver drank tea

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15 June: Went by appointment Lord Germain’s Pall Mall, there met Thompson stepping into chaise en route to Portsmouth; Mr. Cumberland informed me Lord Germain would meet at Plantation Office Thursday; left a card at Sir William Pepperell at Queen Anne Street; Dr. R. Saunders said Adair wanted me see him to get an order to be examined at Surgeon’s Hall, and if approved I should have the appointment as Surgeon to General Military Hospital; Mr. Thompson set off in post chaise for Portsmouth to go on board “Victory” as Volunteer with Admiral Sir Charles Hardy; Mrs. Winslow dined with us; evening—Mrs. J and Mrs. Winslow went to Highgate in stage; gave Mrs. J money I keep for her, she has 21 more guineas remaining in stock; I visited Mr. Warner, Halton Street
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16 June: Mr. Adair not in town; Lt. Hawkins visited us

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17 June: Went to Lord Germain’s levee at the Plantation Office, he was not there due to recall of Spanish Ambassador; left card with Ed. Jeffries as not at home; evening—walked out to Highgate and visited Mrs. J and Mrs. Winslow, at 11:00 walked home and found letter from Mrs. J; Gov. Hutchinson said he set Mr. Mauduit right respecting my former appointment

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18 June: With note from Mr. Adair went to Mr. Luce at War Office to get an official letter to be examined at Surgeon’s Hall, but not in; Mr. and Mrs. Abel Willard visited us, also Lt. Hawkins; evening—rode to Highgate in 1 horse chair by polite invitation of the driver; gave Mrs. J there a letter from Mr. Thompson dated Portsmouth, in which he hopes we do not leave England before he gets back; bled Mrs. Pownee?, my landlady [says nothing more]; 9:00 walked home

19 June: Brought note from Adair to Mr. Luce at War Office requesting I receive letter to be examined for the appointment, because this letter needed to be countersigned by Deputy Secretary at War, was told to come back Monday for it; evening—drank tea with Dr. Oliver and Lady at Mary le Bon [Marylebone] Street [Piccadilly]; Mrs. J returned from Highgate

21 June: Got the official letter from War Office addressed to Principal Officers of the Surgeon’s Company to be examined, and they are to report back if I am qualified for job; Mr. Porter? of Gooch Street dined with us at St. James Place; afternoon—Sam Rogers visited and said Dr. Wm Saunders had said to him some “very hard things” of me, also said he talked with Ed. Jeffries and set him straight on some matters pertaining to my situation, to which he said he was sorry; read Spanish Manifesto and King’s Address—“tantamount to a declaration of war,” the dissenting Lords protest with Duke of Richmond at the head of them

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23 June: Paid nanny her petty expenses; 12:00 went to Lord Germain’s Levee at Plantation Office, Whitehall, there Mr. Cumberland introduced me to Lord Germain who asked about me and wishes me success; Germain said he was pleased to peruse Franklin’s and Gov. Pownall’s letters, and showed his affection for Mr. Thompson; said he would be happy to see me again before I leave; Mr. Cumberland apologized for my waiting so long to be introduced to Germain—“most of the petitioners I suppose—equidem, tempora, malauta?, equidem”

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25 June: Weather—drizzly; 12:00 walked with Maj. Paddock to Harrow on the Hill, 11 miles, very pleasant by road; dined well and cheap; evening—walked back home and both I and Mrs. J separately received letters from Mr. Thompson dated “Victory at Sea,” off Scilly Island 19 June and hopes we do not leave before he returns, “engages me all his friendship and interest”
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27 June: Walked to A. Savage’s Esq. at Brompton, and from there to Kensington Gardens with him and his son belonging to South Carolina; evening—visited Mrs. Redwood, Surry Street at Stand with Mrs. J; at her request, gave Mrs. J 25 guineas—remainder of the money (40 Johannes) I had to keep for her

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28 June: Spent the afternoon with son John at Kensington gardens; Mrs. Redwood and Mr. Peter Johonnot supped with us

29 June: Evening—gave letter from War Office to Clerk of Surgeons Company Mr. Crattenden? at Surgeons Hall, who told me to come for my examination next Thursday

30 June: Went for walk with Maj. Paddock over Putney Bridge and breakfasted at Bald Faced Stag on Putney Heath opposite to part of Richmond Park, then through Kingston, over Kingston Bridge and through Busy park, which had many deer and a bull buffalo, then across road into Hampton Court Gardens, through them into the yard and through all the Court Yards and Palaces—very fine paintings and statues and fine obelisk and statues in pond in Hampton Court Gardens, returned along the river and saw a Drake swan defending its island, from Kingston Bridge dined at Bald Faced Stag and back home

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1 July: Breakfasted with Mr. Warner by appointment, thereafter had long surgical examination and conversation with him who gave me many compliments; 6:00 went to Surgeons Hall and examined for position of Surgeon Major to a Military hospital; the Court of Examiners said this was a new term and equated this appointment equal to taking out a diploma as a member of the Surgeons Company, and that my qualifications would be send to the War Office; also asked me where I was educated and that my answers did great honor to the place and its teachers; paid money to Clerk to the Surgeons Company and Court, and his Clerk for registering my name and receiving the letter from the War Office, and to Yeoman Porter; evening gave money to Mrs. Draper; visited Ed Jeffries, Lothbury, for an hour and received “faint invitation to walk out and dine with him at Walthamstow, refused”

2 July: Noon went with Dr. Peter Oliver to St. George’s Hospital and saw Mr. Gunning operate on an infant with hair lip?, “not dexterously done”; saw Mr. John Hunter castrate and extirpate both testicles on same patient [describes surgery]

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3 July: Left my name at Mr. Adair’s, Argyle Buildings

5 July: Noon saw Mr. Adair and agreed to meet at War Office later but he did not arrive; Mr. Lewis of the Deputy Secretary’s Office made another appointment for us next Wednesday; Adair gone to Chelsea; Mrs. J. Received letter from Mr. Thompson on the “Victory at Sea” which said he was well and had not met the French fleet yet but expected to soon

6 July: Mr. Adair had talked to Mr. Lewis at the Deputy Secretary’s Office so it was not necessary for him to go again on Wednesday with me; told me once I get my commission, I should go to New York quickly

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7 July: Morning: bled Mrs. J; Mr. Jenkinson at the War Office told me my affairs were in order and directed me to Mr. Lewis the Deputy Secretary to inform me of the forms of office—notice would be given to Lord Germain, American Secretary of State, and commission made out there needed to be brought back to War Office to be entered, then an official letter would be sent to Sir Henry Clinton, Commander-in-Chief in America; the commission should be ready within the week; wrote to Gen. Massey of Dublin

8 July: Agreement with John Holmes, patient of Mr. Franks, Greys Hospital, to copy Hurter’s surgical lectures for me; tried several times to see Lord Germain or the Deputy Secretary de Grey, but neither in; Major Adino Paddock, through the recommendation of Sir William Howe, late Commander-in-Chief in America, was applied to by Lord Townshend for the position of Artillery Officer at Island of Jersey to command and instruct a part of the Militia in the Artillery Department, I advised he take it; Townshend went to the King who was approved, then wrote to Secretary of State Lord Weymouth to get passage—“very fortunate indeed”

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9 July: Mr. Thompson arrived from the fleet, fatigued and gone to bed at Lord Germain’s, saw him later; sent memo of wishes to Lord Germain via Thompson

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10 July: Mr. Thompson said de Grey would try to get me passage on an armed ship of war; walked out to Hounslow, met and dined with Thompson and Mrs. J, they rode to Stairs and I walked out over Hounslow Heath, at entrance to Stairs met Mrs. J and went home together in Post Chaise; at the Rose and Crown Inn in Hounslow, Mr. Thompson said he would take care of my family (includes 2 children) if I leave them in England; he is leaving for “Victory at Sea”

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12 July: Paid Mrs. Pownee? for lodgings in full; saw Mr. de Grey—confirmed received letter from Thompson about me and said would try to get me a passage to New York in armed vessel and referred me to Mr. Pollock about my commission; Mr. Adair referred me to Mr. Lewis, Deputy Secretary at War, who told me I must take up both commissions for Surgeon and Apothecary in order to get pay for Surgeon

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13 July: At Secretary of State’s Office spoke to de Grey who said if I got permission the captain of the frigate “Raleigh,” he would supply an order for me to voyage to New York

14 July: Mr. Tassie sent me 2 busts of the profiles of Lord Germain and B. Thompson Esq. by order of Mr. Thompson

15 July: Mr. Pollock at Lord Germain’s office told me my commission was with the King, once it was countersigned by Germain thereafter it would be ready

16 July: Got my commissions for Apothecary to the forces at Nova Scotia and Surgeon to General Hospital at New York; paid £ 4. 17. 6 sterling fees for each commission, left them at War Office to be entered; in letter from Mr. Thompson, dated on board the “Victory” at Torbay, were 2 recommendations of me for Colonel Innis and Maj. Drummond at NY
17 July: Got commissions, paid fee for entering them, carried them to Commissary General of Musters and paid fee to have them entered there; sent through General post office, letter to Lt. Russell of the “Raleigh” frigate at Plymouth; Capt. Murdoch visited with Mrs. J, later met him in the Haymarket and mentioned my thoughts on our going to NY together; ordered pair pistols (made by Twigg) with Parker’s Pawn broker, Princes Street

18 July: Wrote letters (both enclosed uncover) from myself and Mrs. J to Mr. Thompson on board the “Victory,” Admiral Hardy; Mr. Ellison visited us

19 July: Visited us—Dr. Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Heddon of Fludger? Street; gave my letters for Thompson to a messenger at the Admiralty Office to give to Mr. Stephens, Secretary, to be forwarded; asked Dr. Saunders for a letter to Dr. North, Inspector General of Hospitals in America; went on the Exchange where I met Mrs. S. Rogers, Mr. Burgess, and Mr. Samuel Prince who just arrived from NY from Cork

20 July: Maj. Paddock, previous to his leaving for Jersey, thanked me for my patronage and instruction to his son and when “times” changed, he would acknowledge; Lt. Russell of the “Raleigh” said he would speak to the Captain about my passage; received power and authority to take possession of Maj. Paddock’s dwelling house, etc., at Boston whenever practicable

21 July: Paddock set out for Southampton en route to Jersey; Lt. Russell allowed me and son on board “Raleigh,” received letters from Mr. Thompson to be given to Col. Innis, Maj. Small, and Maj. Drummond at NY; evening—with Mrs. J and Lt. Russell went to Ashley’s Riding Theatre and saw various feats of horsemanship, exhibition of a Dwarf Hussar, imitation of various singing birds by a Frenchman, as well as puppets dancing, duck shooting, and rope swinging; evening—for my pay due as apothecary, Mr. Adair referred me to Mr. Powell, cashier at the Pay Office, and he referred me to Mr. Benbridge, the accountant, who said I needed a warrant from the Secretary at War; Mr. Adair said he would write by me to Mr. Mallet

23 July: Lt. Russell breakfasted with us, then we walked out and took a post chaise at Moorfields and rode out to Enfield and through it to visit Mr. Geyer’s son, who asked me to send his letters to his papa; he is unwell with ague; retired to Hamilton’s the Rose and Crain? [or Rose and Crown?] where we “dined very well” and returned to town in the evening; at Edmonton the floods were great due to a day’s rain, water being about a foot deep in the post chaise; Mr. Russell will take my baggage to “Raleigh”

24 July: Capt. Maclean, 84th Regiment, dined with us, then with him and Mrs. J went to Haymarket Theatre and saw the “Suicide” with dancing and the entertainment of “Flitch the Bacon”
25 July: Wrote to Mr. Thompson of the “Victory at Sea” enclosed under care addressed to Admiral Sir Charles Hardy and enclosed letter for Capt. C. Feilding

26 July: Gave above noted letters to messenger at Admiralty Office from Mr. Stevens, Secretary to the Admiralty, to be forwarded to Admiral Hardy

2 August: Mr. Willard visited us and Mr. Porter drank tea with us; Capt. Gambier of the “Raleigh” agreed to my going on board with Mr. Russell to America

3 August: Sent letter by general post office to Mr. Russell

5 August: Walked out to Highgate and drank coffee with Mrs. Loring and Mrs. Winslow at Mrs. Winslow’s; evening—asked A. Paddock to keep my son at his house until I left my present lodgings, said he would ask his mother

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6 August: [Thomas] de Grey, at Lord Germain’s, said an order had been sent to the Admiralty for my transportation, asked me to send Gambier’s consent in writing

7 August: Gave servant Nancy ½ guinea as part of her wages; Mrs. J and Capt. McLean went to dine with Mrs. Winslow; Mrs. J stayed here

8 August: Walked out to Highgate and stayed overnight

9 August: Walked to town; Mr. S. Prince dined with me at St. James Place; evening—walked to Highgate and stayed overnight at Mrs. Winslow’s; Johnny went to Mr. Paddock’s

10 August: Came to town and dined at Spring Garden Coffee House, met de Grey there who said I must ask Gov. Robinson if I can voyage on “Raleigh” with him as the King fitted out the vessel to transmit him

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11 August: Spoke with Gov. Robinson at Wimpole Street who said he was glad to have me on board; heard the examinations of defaulters at Sir John Fielding’s office, Bow Street, “Sir John a very fit judge”

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12 August: Left my note mentioning Gov. Robertson consent with Mr. Stephens, Secretary to Admiralty; Mrs. J went to town; evening—Mrs. Winslow visited and we all went to Ashley’s Riding Theatre, also with Mr. Depaiba/de Paiba who dined with us; Mr. Banister visited us

13 August: Mr. Banister breakfasted with us; visited us—Capt. Robinson, Navy, Mr. Cutler, Capt. McLean, and Capt. Gore; Mr. Stephens said he would lay my letter before Lord Sandwich and get back to me; drank tea at Mrs. Redwood’s, Surry Street, Strand; Mr. and Mrs. R, Mrs. J, Mrs. Winslow, and Mr. Banister went by water to Vauxhall, stayed late and supped; Mrs. R “pro bon amis”—Mrs. J “hurt her face stepping out of the coach in a hurry”

14 August: Walked with Mr. Prince to Richmond and dined; left card with Mr. Charlton, Surgeon, Richmond Green; evening—walked home to St. James Place, Mrs. W still with us; received recommendations from Capt. Robinson, Navy, to give to Capt. Gambier; received letter from Capt. Charles Feilding, “Namur” at sea; visited us—Capt. McLean, Dr. Oliver, A. Willard Esq., and Dr. W. Saunders; Capt. Robertson, Navy, and Mr. S. Prince dined with us
19 August: New lodgings at No. 12, Mr. Stinton’s tea grocer, St. James Street, guinea and ½ per week; evening—went to Haymarket Theatre, front box seat with Mrs. R, saw “Countess Raimond, a tragedy”—“a good one and well played,” and Tony Lumpkins in town—too expensive

21 August: Removed to Mr. Stinton’s place and took the 1st floor and kitchen; me and Mrs. J sat for a miniature portrait to Mr. Nixon

23 August: Sat a second time for a portrait; supped at Mrs. R’s, Surry Street; paid Mrs. Pownee? in full for our late lodgings; received letter from Rev. Dr. Henry Caner? dated Cardiff, South Wales

25 August: Sat third time for Mr. Nixon, paid 10 guineas

26 August: With Mr. and Mrs. Redwood and Mr. S. Prince, went in boat to Richmond, dined on Richmond Hill opposite the Star and Carter Tavern, then walked through Kew Gardens, then took coach to Vaux Hall Gardens, which was “exceedingly crowded” so could not get a box there, so went into Smith’s Tea Gardens—many there riotous, Mrs. J “affrighted,” stayed until 2:00; I foolishly made Mr. Nixon do more to our pictures which has “taken off much of the likeness they had before”

27 August: Visited us—Capt. Robertson, Navy, and Capt. McLean, 84th Regiment, and Capt. J. Brown, Navy; wrote to Dr. Caner? at Cardiff

28 August: With Mr. and Mrs. Redwood and Dr. Middleton went to Clapton and dined with Mr. de Paiba and family, left for St. James Street at midnight

29 August: With Mrs. J went to dine at Mrs. Winslow’s at Highgate, Mrs. R dined there, returned home in post chaise with Mrs. R, Mrs. J remained, met Mr. and Mrs. de Paiba at Mrs. Winslow’s

30 August: Left cards for Dr. Saunders, St. Mary Axe, and Mr. Warner, Halton Street; evening—went with son to Highgate and stayed overnight

31 August: Walked to town, left son with Mrs. J at Highgate and called on Mr. Prince, Fetherstone Buildings, Holborn, and together called on Mr. Redwood, Surrey Street and supped there; mailed through general post letters to Gen. Massey at Dublin and Lt. Russell at Plymouth

1 September: Breakfasted with Mr. and Mrs. Redwood; Mr. Thompson’s and Mrs. R’s letters went into general post office, Lombard Street, to be sent in mail for packet bound to NY; dined with Mrs. R; Mrs. J returned from Highgate at brought Mrs. Winslow to stay a few days

2 September: Received letter from A. Paddock dated Jersey; left cards with R. Adair, Argyle Buildings, Mr. Willard and Dr. Oliver, Marybone, and Capt. McLean, of Strand; met Capt. Stretch?, Marines, in park; evening—visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Rogers, Queen Square: “I think very cavalierly received”; drank tea with us—Capt. Robertson, Navy, and Capt. McLean, 84th Regiment, and informed by Robertson that Capt. Gambier would be ready for sea soon and was to go to Portsmouth

4 September: Visited Mr. Rogers, Queen Square, who, as a friend, agreed to take a power of attorney to act for me in money matters; received letter from Caner from Cardiff, South Wales; drank tea with Mrs. Winslow at Mrs. Redwood’s and returned early
6 September: Went to Portsmouth with Mr. Cutter and a Capt. McKintrick from Golden Cross [an inn by which coaches departed], Charing Cross, changed horses and breakfasted at Kingston, changed horses again at Guildford, dined at the Anchor, Mr. Bradley’s at Liphook, changed horses at Petersfield and lodged at the George Inn, Mr. Palmer’s, at Portsmouth

7 September: Gave large silver candlesticks, salt stand, and silver bust to the care of Mrs. Palmer, gave my books in charge to the Inn boot man; met Lt. Carpenter, Capt. Balfour, of Culloden, Capt. McBride and Capt. Graham; went with Mr. Thompson to “Royal George” [vessel], Admiral Sir Lockhart Ross; stayed at George Inn

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8 September: Visited Lt. Trollope, Marine Barracks; Thompson came on shore and shared news—Admiral Byron, in action, “worsted” by Count d’Estaing—Dr. la Motte Piquet, losing the “Lion,” 74 guns, and his fleet shattered; walked 18 miles with Mr. Cutter to Petersfield and dined; 8:00 walked to Bradley’s at Liphook and there took post chaise to Kings Arms at Godalming where we lodged

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9 September: Breakfasted at Godalming—“genteelly treated” and took return post chaise to Guildford, walked 11 miles to Cobham then 2 more miles, took diligence and rode near Kingston, walked to Putney Bridge and took scull to Parliament Stairs at Westminster Bridge; received letters from Mr. Thompson dated Portsmouth, and from Gen. Massey dated Headquarters Aghada Camp [Ireland] enclosing a recommendation for me to Hon. Gen. Vaughan in North America

10 September: Capt. Robertson, Navy, breakfasted with us; Mr. Cutter visited; Mrs. Winslow returned to Highgate yesterday; wrote Mr. Thompson and enclosed one from Mrs. J; Mrs. Redwood and Mr. Banister supped with us

11 September: Capt. Robertson breakfasted with us; dined with Gov. Hutchinson, Sackville Street, Jos. Green and Abel Willard Esq. were there too; supped with Mr. Banister, Maclesfield Street—Mrs. J and Mrs. Redwood

12 September: Wrote to Mr. Palmer, George Inn, Portsmouth and to Lt. Russell, “Raleigh” frigate, Plymouth and mailed into post office

13 September: Visited Mr. Adair, Marlborough Street, who asked me to take letters, etc., to NY to Mr. Ball, hospital mate at Georgia; received letter from Lt. Russell dated St. Nicholas, Island, Plymouth; evening—visited Gov. Robertson, Wimpole Street who said he intends to set out tomorrow for Plymouth to meet the frigate “Raleigh”

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14 September: Gen. Massey undercover to Maj. Southwell, camp near Cork, and to Mr. Palmer, George Inn, Portsmouth; paid butcher and grocer; visited to say goodbyes and receive commands for America—Dr. Saunders (St. Mary Axe), R. Adair (Marlborough Street), Mrs. Redwood (Surrey Street), Mr. Bliss and Mr. Danforth, A. Savage Esq., Mr. Prince, Capt. Robertson, N. Coffin Esq. (Pall Mall), Dr. Oliver, and A. Willard

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15 September: Visited Sir James Napier, little Brook Street, “very civil”; left card for Gen. Gage (out of town); visited Mr. Copely, Leicester Square; gave power of attorney to Sam Rogers, Queen Square; Bloomsbury merchant to transact my stock, gave £100 to be added to my stocks, left him £50 to be given to Mrs. J according to her want; Mr. Cutler to receive gun and pistol from Mr. Twigg and send to me; letter from Lt. Russel directing me to go to Plymouth as the “Raleigh” is set to sail immediately when Gen. Robertson and Gov. Maxwell arrive; met Col. Balfour who had gotten word that the “Raleigh” would not be setting off for a few days.

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16 September: Visited and said goodbyes to Hon. T. Flucker Esq., Col. Chandler, A. Savage Esq., and Mr. S. Prince at Brompton; left card at Sir. William Pepperell’s; met Col. Balfour who said he does not expect to go from Portsmouth to Plymouth in the “Richmond” frigate and does not think I will be able to get a passage from Portsmouth; Capt. Grant from Chelsea College visited with Mrs. J; Mrs. R dined with us and Capt. McLean breakfasted with us; visited D. Leonard Esq. and Lady, Pimlico; Visited us—Dr. Oliver (Hugh Street), Marybone and A. Willard Esq.; Dr. Middleton and Mrs. R spent evening with us; evening received letter from Lord Germain to introduce me to Sir. Henry Clinton, Commander-in-Chief of British forces in America.

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17 September: Visited us—Capt. Lewis Robertson, Navy, Mr. Cutter and Mr. Paddock; Capt. Robertson gave me a letter to give to Capt. Hudson desiring him to give me passage from Portsmouth to Plymouth on the “Richmond” frigate; took leave of “my dear children” and at the Golden Cross, Charing Cross, set out in diligence for Portsmouth with Mrs. J and Capt. Murdoch McLean of the 84th, changed horses and breakfasted at Kingston, changed horses at Guildford and again at Liphook at Bradley’s the Blue Anchor, once more at Petersfield, arrived at Palmer’s the George Inn, Portsmouth at 8:00; informed there that “Richmond” was at Spithead.

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18 September: Went to “Namar,” Capt. C. Feilding blew exceedingly hard and I “horridly affrighted”; very friendly reception from Capt. Feilding who gave me a letter for Capt. Hudson to assist me in a passage on the “Raleigh”; he came on shore and visited us.


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20 September: Breakfasted with Capt. Feilding who has been “very kind, attentive, and polite to us.”

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21 September: Took leave of “dear Mrs.” and she set off with Capt. Murdoch McLean, 84th, for London; “God Almighty preserve and bless her and our little ones”; breakfasted with Lt. Trollope, marine barracks, and dined with him at his mess; passed a very solitary unpleasant day—to bed at 8:00.

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22 September: Today is anniversary of King’s coronation; saw Invalid Regiment under arms (many of them my patients from America) who fired their arms, and Royal Navy who fired royal salute in the “feu de joye” manner; saw Gen. Moncton, Lord Longford, and Capt. Balfour of the Navy; passed repeatedly Capt. Macartney of the Navy who I thought “shunned my eye—took no notice of him or ever desire to do it”; saw Gen. Maxwell, late Lt. Col. 27th; afternoon met—Major General Grant and Gen. Meadow who just arrived from the West Indies; plus Lt. Hawkins of “Amazon” and Lt. Cole of the “Bedford”

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23 September: Gen. Grant set off for London; Lt. Jacobs, Marines, told me Capt. Dixon just arrived from NY in “Greyhound” frigate and said Admiral Arbuthnot or his fleet had not arrived 24 days ago; Capt. Hudson told Gov. Maxwell—expected to sail tonight; visited Gov. Maxwell and “treated very cavalierly by him”; dined and tead at Crown Inn with Lt. Jacobs of Marines and Mr. Johnson, Officer of Customs at Jamaica; evening—paid lodgings bill, write and mailed to Mrs. J; left Mrs. J’s letter to Thompson in care of Mrs. Palmer to be forwarded to “Victory,” and her waistcoat to be sent to London; left in care of Mr. Palmer my trunks with boots

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24 September: Embarked at Portsmouth Point in Capt. Hudson’s cutter and went on board the “Richmond,” anchored at 4:00 at St. Helens; passengers with me—Gov. Maxwell, Mr. John Phillips, Mr. Patterson (Brother Lt.-Gov. of St. Johns) and Mr. Hilton going out to join the 5th Regiment; wrote Mrs. J and put into post office

25 September: Noon—Admiral Sir John Lockhart Ross passed us with his squadron; from St. Helens wrote to Mrs. J at Highgate, and Mr. Thompson, the “Victory”; our new governor for Bahamas “a very unpleasant, proud, boorish companion, Mr. Phillips agreeable, Mr. Patterson selfish and conceited, Capt. Hudson tolerably civil”

26 September: Wrote Mrs. J and Lt. Russel, “Raleigh” at Plymouth; Gov. Maxwell and Mr. Phillips went to Portsmouth, then Plymouth by land, neither asked me to accompany them; Mr. Phillips will mail my letters in the post; Mr. Patterson went on shore to the Isle of Wight with his brother Gov. Patterson

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27 September: Restless, painful night, much fever; wrote long letter to Mrs. J, Highgate, and Gen. Massey in Ireland under cover to Hon. Major Southwell, dated St. Helens Road; continue wind bound; Mr. Patterson had all his baggage taken off the “Richmond” and put it on ship of the fleet which is to sail immediately from Portsmouth from NY and with convoy; weather—rainy, squally, hard wind

28 September: Sent letters via Lt. of the “Carysfort” [frigate] just arrived from West Indies to be put in Portsmouth post office; weather—same, “most tedious this”; “thank Heaven my cold and disorder has abated”; saw Spanish frigate brought in as a prize to the “Pearl,” Capt. George Montague, an English frigate of smaller size, by the shot holes they had been in an engagement; wrote to Mrs. J dated St. Helens Road and enclosed under cover to Mrs. Winslow and sent by waterman to be put into Portsmouth post office

29 September: Still at anchor, weather—wind high and contrary

30 September: Before day light made sail; wind still against us; sunset made Portland
1 October: Weather—stormy, squally, took in reefs several times

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2 October: Morning anchored at Plymouth Sound “after the tedious passage”; politely received by Capt. Gambier on board the “Raleigh,” Lt. Russel indicated I was to mess with the Capt. and sleep below near him; came on shore with the Capt. and took a room at Prince George Inn; received packet from Lt. Russel with letters from A. Paddock but “to my great disappointment, no letter from Mrs. J”; saw “Monmouth” of 64 guns, Capt. Fanshaw, looking very shattered having just come from West Indies where she saw severe action between Admiral Barrington and Count de Estaing; walked to Saltash and talked to farmer who said when the winter comes there are great quantities of wild ducks and other sea fowl and plover etc. along the banks; saw Royal Hospital for Seamen and Marines—very elegant and consisting of almost a dozen square buildings; saw Mount Edgecombe belonging to Lord Edgecombe, Vice-Admiral in the Navy—uncommonly nice view from; saw at Plymouth—Gen. Robertson and Gov. Maxwell, but they did not see me; visited with Lt. Col. Balfour; wrote long letter to Mrs. J from Plymouth, also wrote Mrs. Winslow and Mr. Paddock

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3 October: Walked again to Saltash across Tamer River [describes scenery]; Plymouth very pleasant town, “a great number of delightful situations”—saw Tamer Signal Church which signals when enemy ships approach; saw soldiers who were being violent toward a “poor ragged creature who was crying out and entreating them piteously”; sent letters—to Mrs. J under care of Mrs. Winslow, and Mr. and Maj. Paddock under cover to Mr. Paddock at Pimlico; Mr. Russel introduced me to an attorney, Mr. Champion spent time together at Prince George Inn; “very hospitable and old English free, generous spirit”

4 October: Wrote Mrs. J and Mrs. Winslow left in post office; evening—embarked “Raleigh,” passengers include: Gov. Robertson (appointed governor of New York), Gov. Maxwell (appointed to government of Bahamas), Major Armstrong (17th Regiment), Capt. Murray (16 Regiment), Mr. John Phillips, Mr. Auchmuty, Sir. William Tysden? (17th Regiment); evening—dined with Lt. Russel at Mr. Champion’s near the Prince George Inn, Capt. Joseph Squires (Independent Plymouth Co.) came with champagne—“very pleasant and sociable”; back on board and “all hands very busy in charging the “Raleigh”’s guns

5 October: 9:00—off Falmouth and saw great number vessels along shore; 11:00—off Lizard Point and saw 2 light houses; weather—wind fair; 12:00—off Mounts Bay; 12:30—off Sandy Bay, land’s end of Cornwall and saw large fleet coming from Cork and had French Prize ship

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6 October: Morning—saw coast of Ireland ahead of us; as we entered Cove of Cork many signal guns were fired from each side and when drew nearer a number of shots fired from the left of the harbor; great number of people were assembled on the Heights about the Works; 1:00—anchored in the Cove of Cork near the transports; Capt. Hudson immediately signaled for all masters to come on board for orders; saw Lord Inchiquin seat up river on the right; “thank God for their good and quick passage”

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7 October: Went to see Gen. Massey at Aghada, near the camp, with Lt. Russel, “most hospitably received by him and his servants”; introduced by him to Lt. Sandford of 18th Light Dragoons, his aid-de-camp and the Hon. Col. Murray of the 77th Regiment who dined with us; stayed with the General overnight and from his window saw a “drag hunt” pass with a large pack of hounds and about the flats saw various birds, including partridge which we dined on—General had killed

8 October: Wrote Mrs. Jeffries and went undercover to Mrs. Winslow at Highgate; rode with General on his horse Ranger all around the works, forts, etc. and he introduced me to Sir Robert Stewart, Major of 77th Regiment; stayed again at General’s

9 October: Weather—very stormy, fair afternoon; left Gen. Massey’s Headquarters and rode down to Mr. Fitzgerald’s, took boat with General’s servant, Anthony, and passed over to the Town of Cove, walked across the island and ferried to Passage Town, then rode up to city of Cork; saw lots of birds along the river; lodged and supped at Mr. Scot’s, the Kings Arms at Cork; checked and no letters; called on Col. Frye near Kings Arms

10 October: Col. Frye breakfasted with me at Kings Arms, Cork; wrote Mrs. J; returned to General’s and dined there with General Robertson, Capt. Gambier, Maj. Armstrong, 17th, and Hon. Col. James Murray, plus general’s aid-de-camp, Lt. Sandford, and his Quartermaster Major Holmes, late of the 27th Regiment; my good friend Gen. Massey said he found Gen. Robertson prejudiced against me suspecting me to be a rebel, he spoke in my favor

11 October: General kindly sent for Mr. Skilllinglaw of the 77th to go out sporting with me, my gun wouldn’t fire, saw many birds; Massey, returning from dining with Col. Murray, was hurt when his carriage overturned—head and face, left hand, tendon of little finger divided and metacarpal artery divided; general fainted and vomited much, dressed and shifted him and got him to bed, also had large wound on his right hand thumb

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12 October: Dressed the General again, little inflammation; went sporting with Lt. Sandford, the General’s aid-de-camp and did not get a shot; dined at the General’s in company with—Hon. Col. Murray, 77th, Sir Hugh Dalrymple (Maj. of the 77th), Col. Bagwell, Col. Fitzgerald and Major Hoare of Independent Irish Regiment, and major Holmes (late 27th), and Lt. Sandford; “General more comfortable than could have been expected”

13 October: Went sporting with Lord William Murray, Captain in 77th and brother to Duke of Athal, and Lt. Skilllinglaw of the 77th, and Lt. Sandford; rained a lot and guns would not go off; dined at the General’s in company with Capt. Lord William Murray, the Hon. Col. James Murray, and Lt. Skilllinglaw all of the 77th, also with Lt. Sandford and Major Holmes, the Quartermaster; invitations from Col. Bagwell and Col. Fitzgerald to come to their houses and sport—“this is the land of old English hospitality”; evening—General’s hand inflamed and painful, treatment—poulstice

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14 October: General Massey introduced me to—Capt. Buckmaster, one of his neighbors, Capt. Wright of the Artillery, and Capt. French of the 8th Light Dragoons’ mentioned to Massey I would like to stay longer and not go with the fleet just yet, he welcomed that and said would consult Gen. Robertson; dined at

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15 October: Visited seat of Earl of Inchiquin—very pleasantly situated with branches of rivers on each side, saw great number of swans, etc.; at the house were Lady Orkney (Inchiquin’s wife), Lady Ann O’Brien and Mrs. Peyton—the two former ladies are deaf and dumb; passed Inchiquin Church on way home; dined at General’s Headquarters at Rockmont, in company with—Col. James Murray, Lt. Col. Gordon and Maj. Sir Robert Stewart all of the 77th, and Lt. Col. [Francis] Lascelles of the 8th Regiment of Light Dragoons [a few days ago he married his mistress, Miss Catley?] and Mr. Hinckley, surgeon to the 8th Light Dragoons, plus Sandford and Holmes; on my return from Lord Shannon’s at Castle Martyr, very rainy weather

16 October: Col. Fitzgerald asked me to go sporting with him at Cork Beg on his estate but engaged already; rode on General’s mare, Black Joke, to Earl of Shayning seat at Castle Martyr and saw all the apartments with pictures of ancestors, the Godolphin Arabian, and of a machine with 4 wheels which Lord March and the Earl of Eglinton ran 19 miles in one hour for 1000 guineas, also saw swans and deer in all colors in the park, large pack of dogs and the ruins of the old castle grown over with ivy; returned and dined with General in company with—Capt. Towell of the 27th and Maj. Holmes; at the end of Lord Inchiquin’s enclosure saw Col. Lonfield’s elegant house, park and garden, and a fine hare paddock (hares can get in but cannot get out)

17 October: Col. Fitzgerald breakfasted with us at the General’s

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18 October: Dined at General’s with Capt. Buckmaster and Col.? Roche of Associated Independent Light House, and Lt. Russell of the “Raleigh”; Massey showed me a letter in which he expressed his wish to his brother to keep me here as a family physician and lamenting his power to do so

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19 October: Went shooting with Lt. Sandford to Lord Inchiquin’s grounds at Rostellan, very pleasant place with lots of game; dined with Capt. Hunt of 8th Light Irish Dragoons and his Lady at his quarters

20 October: Lt. O’Hara aid-de-camp to Gen. Maxwell breakfasted with us at Gen. Massey’s; Richmond “Raleigh” changed their stations this morning and fell down to assist in forming a line of defense across the entrance of the harbor of Cork Cove; dined at the General’s with—Capt. Lord William Murray, and Lt. James O’Hara, aid-de-camp to Gen. Maxwell; wrote Mrs. J and Paddock and Lt. O’Hara took them with him to post at Middletyn; the General wrote a few lines in my letter to Mrs. J

21 October: Gen. and I followed but did not meet, Col. Fitzgerald and Lord. William Murray out hunting, they killed one hare and ran another; Capt. Hunt of 8th Light Dragoons dined with us; wrote Mrs. J 2 letters and heard there were letters waiting for me in Cove; walked to Capt. Hunt at Rostellan who had a servant check if any mail for me, he returned at 3:00AM with none; “he sat up for the return of the messenger”; slept 3 hours then left for Rockmont, leaving a letter of thanks

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22 October: Made happy by receipt of 2 letters from “dear Mrs. J” dated Highgate, plus one from Mrs. Winslow and Mr. Paddock; wrote them all back—Col. Murray politely offered and gave me franks for my letters; ships are waiting for wind to be fair; dined at General’s with Col. Murray, Capt. Buckminster?, and Capt. Cox.

23 October: Left letters with Capt. Hunt who will have delivered to post office at Cloyne; returned immediately to General’s Quarters at Rockmont and dined with Col. Murray, Maj. Holmes and Lt. Sandford A.D.C.

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24 October: Col. Murray suggested if I were to get captured by Americans to apply to Dr. Smith of the Academy at Philadelphia and make use of his name; he had communicated some discoveries in electricity to Dr. Smith and presented Academy with an apparatus—a large tin plate insulated with electric purge?, which is constantly electrified without friction and always in a state of communicating and receiving electrical spark; went for walk to Trebulgan to Col. Roach’s, from there to Rostellan and called as I passed on Col. Murray at his quarters at Aghada Church; returned to Rockmont for dinner.

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26 October: Had trunk sent on shore from “Raleigh”; dined at General’s with Lt. Col. Fox, 38th Regiment, Major Armstrong, 17th, Lt. Col. Eustice, 33rd, Deputy Quartermaster General; Gov. Robertson and all gents on shore.

27 October: Wrote Lt. Russell to send my trunk to Col. Robert Fitzgerald’s at Cork Beg [Corkbeg]; large party went out hunting after breakfast and saw them run one hare, “an entertaining sight”; dined with General in company with Col. Murray 77th, Lt. Col. Charles Eustace 33rd, Capt. Trench and Lt. Conyers and Saunderson of 8th Light Dragoons; drank tea at Col. Fitzgerald’s at Corkbeg with his mother and 3 sisters (one of them deaf), Lt. Col. Eustace, Lord William Murray of 77th, and Lt. Skillinglaw of 77th.

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28 October: Breakfasted with Col. Murray at his quarters near Aghada Church in company with—Lt. Col Gordon, Major Sr. Hugh Dalrymple, Lt. Farquarson, and surgeon Duncan of the 77th; Col. Murray invited me to visit him and gave me letters of recommendation to Dr. North, Superintendent General of Military Hospitals in North America, and to Dr. Blagden, Physician to General Hospital at New York, and memorandum as introduction to others, and a car to Lt. Harris of the Navy, and Superintendent of the transports at Cork; dined with Col. Robert Fitzgerald at Corkbeg in company with his mother and 3 sisters, Gen. Massey, Lord William Murray, Counsellor Fitzgerald, Maj. Holmes, and Capt. Traverse; Capt. Sandford returned from Kilworth and brought Mr. Newenham?

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30 October: Col. Fitzgerald breakfasted with us; Mr. Newenham? etc. went fox hunting; received letters from “Raleigh” from Paddock at London, B. Thompson at Stoneland Lodge, and Gen. Massey at London.
Nov. 1778 via Halifax, Major Handfield dated Aug. 1779 with memo accounts, and “my dear Mrs. J”; Capt. Hudson says there’s a letter on his vessel for me which was directed to St. Helens; General, Fitzgerald, and Lt. Sandford went hunting and killed a fine jack fox; wrote Mrs. J, Mr. Thompson, and Paddock

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31 October: Mr. Newenham? left Rockmont for Lord Mountcashel’s at Kilworth; Lt. Sandford took my letters to mail at Middleton post office; dined alone at the General’s, he and family at Col. Roche’s at Trebulgan; invited but inconvenient to go

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1 November: Took my trunk to Col. Fitzgerald’s at Corkbeg; there dined with Maj. Sir Robert Stuart, Capt. Traverse, etc.

2 November: Dined at Rockmont with General and Hon. Col. Murray

3 November: Weather—rainy; Col. Murray dined with us

4 November: Capt. Gambier on the “Raleigh” said there was a delay in leaving; got letter there from Mrs. Winslow; brought my bedding on shore to Gen. Massey’s quarters at Rockmont; visited Capt. Hudson on the “Richmond” frigate; dined at Rockmont

5 November: Set out in phaeton with Gen. Massey for Middleton, broke the pole piece at our outset through the gateway; returned, mounted horses, and called on Col. Murray at his quarters and rode through Rostellan to Middleton and visited Col. Lascelles of 8th Light Dragoons, Capt. Saunderson, and Cornet Crowe of same corps; dined with General

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6 November: Mailed letters to Mrs. J and Mrs. Winslow under a franked cover to Mrs. W and sent to Cork by Capt. Sandford’s servant; engaged with John Condon as my servant to do all kinds of work for three years and find him clothes and food and give him 5 guineas at the end of that time or less in proportion to time he stays with me; dined at General’s with—Hon. Col. Murray, Lt. Col. Gordon of 77th and Col. Robert Fitzgerald of Irish Association Corps

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7 November: Capt. Hunt asked me to advise about his servant who has had an intermittent fever for 8 weeks and complied with his request; no letters for me at Cork; dined at Corkbeg at R. Fitzgerald’s Esquire, Col. of Imokilly Horse associated corps, and Maj. Hoar, Capt. Traverse, Lt. Cox and Cornet Cox of same corps, plus Massey, Maj. Holmes, Col. J. Murray and Lt. Col. Gordon on 77th

8 November: Walked to Rostellan and visited Capt. Hunt and Lady and prescribed for his servant, dined with General, Col. Murray of 77th, and Lt. Arabin of Royal Irish Artillery

9 November: General went fox hunting with Sir. Robert Stuart and Lord William Murray of 77th; walked to Aghada church and breakfasted with Col. Murray at his Quarters with Lt. Col. Gordon and Major Sir Hugh Dalrymple and Mr. Duncan of 77th and, after a request by Murray, visited number of sick at the hospital, Lt. Farquharson of 77th sick with dysentery in camp; got several franks from Col. Murray;
hunting party only killed one leveret; dined with General at Rockmont with Col. James Murray, Lord
William Murray, Major Sir Robert Stuart of 77th, Col. Robert Fitzgerald, Maj. Hoar (late corps of 13th
Dragoons) and Lt. Cox, all of Imokilly associated Horse, and Capt. Buckmaster, Maj. Holmes; Lt. Sandford
returned from Cork

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10 November: Col. Murray went to London via Scotland from his Quarters at Aghada Church; Maj. Hoar
breakfasted with us; Lt. Col. Gordon asked that I see Capt. Balreaves of the 77th, who is ill; dined at
Aghada Camp with 77th; visited Capt. Balreaves again

11 November: Visited Capt. Balreaves and Mr. Farquharson and received fee of 2 guineas from Mr.
Fitzgerald; took long walk, then dined at General’s with Col. Roche of Imokilly Horse Association and a
Mr. Thompson of the southern colonies of America who goes out in Worcester transport to Georgia
under convoy of “Richmond” and “Raleigh” frigates; he told me Gen. Robertson, Gov. Maxwell, and
others have asked to return to London and go to New York from there in the spring

12 November: Received letter from Paddock dated London, wrote letters to paddock and Mrs. J

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13 November: Mailed letters at post office at Cloyne; walked with Lt. Sandford, General’s aid-de-camp,
to Rostellan and breakfasted with Capt. Hunt and lady of 8th Regiment Light Dragoons at their quarters;
then walked through Lord Inchiquin’s grounds over to Col. Bagwell’s seat at Bell Grove at Great Island,
Cork Harbour; walked to and dined at Col. Lascille’s quarters at Middleton, “very courteously received
and entertained”; between Col. Bagwell’s and Bellir a Curragh met Col. Longfield’s huntsman (from his
seat at Castle Mary) with the Col.’s pack of hounds—“he had been out alone (the savage)” and killed
some hares; Gen. Massey and Col. Fitzgerald and his hounds went fox hunting, “had a fine fox chase—
they earthed him and closed the hole” and expect to take him out tomorrow; Col. Fitzgerald killed a
“fine fox” yesterday after a good hunt

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14 November: Visited Lt. Farquharson, from whom received 2 guineas fee; dined on “Raleigh” with Capt.
Gambier, Sandford, and Sir William Twisden?; evening—returned to Rockmount

15 November: Dined at Corkbeg with Col. Fitzgerald, his lady, mother, sisters, and Mrs. Colthurst and
daughter, and Lt. Sandford; received a guinea fee from old Lady Fitzgerald for advice for her daughter
who is deaf and almost dumb; Mr. Farquharson is almost well and Capt. Balreaves so well that I took
leave of him today

16 November: Lt. Russel dined and lodged with us

17 November: Went on board Raleigh with Lt. Sandford and Lt. Russell; dined at the General’s with him
Shewbridge? and Corabin of Royal Irish Artillery; evening—received polite card with fee of 8.5 guineas
enclosed for my late attendance on him

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18 November: Breakfasted with us at the General’s—Capt. Bennet of the “Lenox,” Capt. Gambier of the
“Raleigh,” and Capt. Hudson of the “Richmond”; spent day shooting at Rostellan—“poor luck”

20 November: Walked and spent day at Rostellan River—“no luck in sporting”

21 November: Received letter from A. Paddock dated London and was enclosed in one for Gen. Massey; evening—wrote Lt. Harris, superintendent of transports, Cork Harbour and enclosed Col. Murray’s introduction; dined at General’s with Col. Eustace of 33rd, Capt. Trench and Lt. Conyers of 8th Light Dragoons; Capt. Trench said he had a dispute with Frank Roche about a “little bitch named Lady” that Roche had given to Capt. Trench, and Trench then gave to Gen. Massey, when they had got to the ground, Mr. Roche made concessions and so the affair ended

22 November: Spent day at Rostellan and Aghada Fields, “pleasant sporting,” my second hand gun bought from Mr. Twigg proves a good one; General Massey informs the “Richmond” and convoy expect to sail tomorrow

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23 November: Passed mutual bonds and indentures with my servant John Coburn to serve me for 3 years from 24 November 1779, at the end expected to give him 5 guineas and a suit of clothes; wrote Mrs. J and Paddock, Capt. Sandford will forward to London

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24 November: Took leave of Massey and Sandford and the “Hospitable Mansion of Rockmont” and embarked on the “Raleigh” at Cork Harbour with my servant; found on board—Capt. Gambier, Gen. Robertson, Maj. Armstrong of 17th Regiment and Sir William Twisdall of 7th Regiment; weather—rainy, foul with contrary wind

25 November: Weather—wind still contrary; servant and I went to Col. R. Fitzgerald’s at Corkbeg, he was out hunting but “very hospitably received and entertained by his lady and family”; evening Col. returned with a hare and “very kindly received me”

26 November: Weather—contrary winds; walked and visited Rostellan and Capt. Hunt; returned and dined at Corkbeg; Col. Fitzgerald went to his seat at Lisquinlan where General Massey now has his headquarters, camps have broken up yesterday but not in their winter quarters yet but temporary cantonment; lodged again at Corkbeg

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27 November: Weather—very rainy and windy AM; evening—Col. Fitzgerald informs me that the General received orders from Sir. John Irvine, the Commander in Chief, to stay through the winter and make Cork his headquarters; thus asked for leave to come to Dublin to settle his private affairs; he intended to dispose of his home in Sackville Street and his seat of Villa, and remove his family to Cork to remain with him

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28 November: Weather—fine day, remain at Corkbeg
29 November: Weather—squally with rain; shot a number of starlings; wrote Mrs. J and sent to Coyne post office

30 November: Wrote to Capt. Sandford, aid-de-camp to Gen. Massey at Lisquinlan

1 December: Lt. Russel of “Raleigh” and I left from Col. Fitzgerald’s at Corkbeg on horse to Gen. Massey’s quarters at Lisquinlan about 16 miles, and dined with Sandford and Holmes, had a “hearty welcome”

2 December: Large fox hunt at General’s—Col. Fitzgerald and large company of gentlemen and hounds, bag fox let out about 11:00, “fine” chase for 16 miles; afternoon left the General and rode to Col. Fitzgerald’s with Lt. Russel at Corkbeg

3 December: Went on board “Raleigh” and saw to Sir William Twisdall who was ill of venereal

4 December: Stayed on “Raleigh”

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5 December: Went on shore to dine at Corkbeg with Col. Fitzgerald at family, and Miss Eleanor Fitzgerald, Mrs. Colthurst, and Miss Clotilda Colthurst, Mr. Uniacke and a large company of Irish gentlemen

6 December: stayed at Corkbeg, weather—rainy

7 December: Col. Fitzgerald and Mr. Uniacke went fox hunting, ran and earthed a bitch fox on Trebulgan Hills and brought home

9 December: Fox hunting—Col. Fitzgerald, his pack of hounds, and Mr. Uniacke, lost his bag fox at Castle Mary near Rostellan, through Col. Longfield’s and about 6 miles more when the hounds caught and killed her; they likewise ran and caught a buck which was very frightened; still remain at Corkbeg

11 December: Lt. Russel and Sir William Twisdall visited at Col. Fitzgerald’s, Twisdall indicated his venereal was almost gone since he followed my prescriptions and told him to continue; received letter from Gen. Massey dated Cork with enclosure for Capt. Ed. Madden, 15th Regiment at New York; Col. Fitzgerald went hunting—“had a very good sport,” killed a brace of hares and ran 2 others; the 1st hare was very large and ran off like a fox for several miles, run down at last he stopped in the middle of a plain field and “suffered himself to be taken by a man”—they cut his ear off and bled him and rested, after which he ran again when the hounds overtook him

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13 December: Received letter from Sir William Twysden? dated today at the Cove; asked to immediately come to Mrs. Butler, wife of the Rev. Dr. Butler late chaplain to the late Lord Inchiquin, she was mother to Col. Fitzgerald’s lady; got there at Bally Dinis around 9:00, then went to Col. Fitzgerald’s seat at Lisquinlan to lodge

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14 December: Visited Mrs. Butler again; walked and saw Lord Shannon’s Deer Park and had a “fine view” of knock me down Mountains and others in the County of Waterford and Tipperary; evening lodged at Lisquinlan; servant John brought letter from Corkbeg from Sir William Twysden, dated Cove and I sent answer by John Coburn
15 December: Visited Mrs. Butler; returned to Col. Fitzgerald’s with him at Corkbeg; received 2 letters in the evening and night from Mrs. Fitzgerald at Bally Dinis asking me to visit her mother

16 December: Went to Bally Dinis with Col. Fitzgerald in his post chaise and found Mrs. Butler extremely ill; symptoms rapidly increased and died about 6:00PM, stayed the night

17 December: Returned to Col. Fitzgerald’s in his post chaise to Corkbeg with Rev. Mr. Butler

19 December: Thomas Fitzgerald, Esq., the Col.’s brother, returned to Corkbeg from Dublin; my servant John returned to Corkbeg after being at Lisquinlan for last 3 days

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20 December: Have never received response from Lt. Harris, superintendent of transports, Col. Murray had recommended me to him; wrote dear Mrs. J and Maj. Paddock

21 December: Wrote another letter to Mrs. J enclosed under cover to A. Paddock and left them with Mrs. Fitzgerald to be forwarded to London; Lt. Russell came to take me to the “Raleigh” and found Capt. Gambier above; evening wrote letter of thanks to Robert Fitzgerald Esq. for his and his family’s hospitality

22 December: Weather—foul wind, squalls with snow; remain in Cork Harbour

23 December: Weather—foul wind but pleasant day

24 December: Capt. Hudson, before day break, gave repeated signals for the fleet to get under sail, by noon all out of the harbour but us as some officers still on shore; 2:00 made sail, about 8:00 came up with the convoy off the old Head of Kinsale; evening—“spoke” a ship called the “Lord North” from Quebec en route to Cork; weather—pleasant

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25 December: Weather—very pleasant; fleet altogether 60 odd sail; letter send to Capt. Gambier via a boat from the “Richmond”

26 December: Weather—fine winter’s day

27 December: Weather—foul with very fresh gales; very sick and unable to get up

28 December: Weather—foul; fleet much scattered

29 December: Weather—same

30 December: Foul, afternoon better; fleet scattered, lost the Commodore and all the fleet except 3 transports

31 December: Weather—hard gales and rain