

The Dillwyn Collection

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

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Parkwern

Sunday Jan^y. 1. 1854

Cold. Snow in night & occasional through the day - - Sharp frost - Wind N.W.W.
a.m. over to Sketty - P.M. to Sketty with Bessie & the children

Parkwern

2 Monday

Therm^r. 8½ a.m. 31 - still & overcast Wind N.W. - In the day light. Wind NE - frost
all day -

10 a.m. Comm^{ee} of Works. 11. Corpⁿ Comm^{ee} -

11½ Town Counc^l. Meeting - 12. Harbour meeting -

In the P.M. to the works - over to Sketty before dinner -

3 Tuesday

Weather = very cold - Wind E.N.E. very high - Snow drifting much - Sky dark &
overcast -

Attended Infirmary general meeting at 11 a.m. and afterwards went to Mr
Jenkins office in business - to Sketty before dinner

4 Wednesday

Weather - Some Snow Wind not high - slight thaw in the Town - just freezing at
Parkwern - overcast - glass very low

Attended a meeting of prov^{ce} Comm^{ee} of Loughor Bay railway at 11. Then up to
the works

5 Thursday

Parkwern

Weather - slight thaw in the day - Wind E & N.E. Snow at night but not much -
calm -

Infirmary at 10 a.m. up to the works at 1 P.M - Dock office at 3 P.M. & then to
Town Hall to attend Petty sessions - H Thomas & H Bruce came here to dinner &
remain

6 Friday

Snow in the night - fine generally in the day - Thaw in the evening -

Went out shooting on the Loughor Marshes with H.A. Bruce - we bagged 7 Wild
Ducks & ! Deal -

7 Saturday

Heavy rain in the night & all the a.m - P.M. unsettled frequent rain - mild. Wind
SE to SW -

a.m - at home and over to Sketty

P.M - Went up to Hendrefoilan with the children

8 Sunday

a.m. rain - frequent & heavy - Wind in gusts - high - W -

a.m. at home. P.M walked with H Thomas over to Penllergare -

Parkwern

9 Monday

Fine - Wind N W - -

Comm. of works at 10 - then up to the Silver works where I remained till 5 P.M. when home to dinner - H Thomas left us today

10 Tuesday

Fine - Wind N - frost in the night - not cold during the day - dark - no wind -

a.m - went up to Hendrefoilan with Harry

P.M. over to Sketty & c

11 Wednesday

Golden Grove

Fine & bright - clear frost at night -

We (Bessie & I) came here this afternoon on a visit to Lord & Lady Emlen - in the morning I attended a meeting of the Dock Directors at which the Duke of Beaufort presided -

Golden Grove

12 Thursday

Frost in the night - rain came on in the afternoon -

Went out shooting with Lord Emlen Col. Barnard Mr J Peel & Mr H. Williams -

The Bishop of St Davids came here this afternoon on a visit -

13 Friday

Slight frost in the night - rain in the afternoon -

Went out shooting with the same party as were out yesterday

14 Saturday

Parkwern

Sharp frost in the night - clear & bright all day -

We returned home from Golden Grove to day called at Penllergare on the way -

15 Sunday

Overcast - no rain - gloomy - not cold -

a.m. went to church. P.M. to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan -

16 Monday

Parkwern

Overcast, no rain, mild - Wind S.W. to S.E.

Comm^{ee} of Works - about 2½ P.M I went with Richards up to Hendrefoilan

17 Tuesday

Gloomy - mild. Wind S.W - no rain.

Attended a Dock meeting at 11 a.m. which was not over till nearly 3 P.M - Went over to Sketty before dinner -

18 Wednesday

Thick & foggy in the morning with rain - the rain cleared about 10 - & the rest of the day was tolerably fine -
I went out shooting at Penllergare with Johnny P.Vivian, Capt^l & J Loyd - we bagged 82 head 19 of which were cocks, among other things I shot a bittern -

19 Thursday

Parkwern

Fine. Wind E S E - clear & bright -
I went up to the works after breakfast & returned home about 2 P.M. I then went to Hendrefoilan with Bessie - Over to Sketty before dinner - at 8 P M attended annual meeting of the Lit & Scien Soc^y -

20 Friday

Fine -

Attended a Harbour meeting at 11 a m - About 3½ P.M. I went up to Landore - home to dinner -

21 Saturday

Rain from S.E - in the morning, about noon the rain ceased - overcast all day -
I went out shooting to Penifody & c

22 Sunday

Rain at intervals through the day, gloomy -
a.m. at home - P.M - over to Sketty -

23 Monday

Parkwern

Unsettled - Gloomy - frequent rain -
Comm^{ee} of Works at 10 a m - Works afterwards - home to dinner - Lady Mary Cole & Miss Talbot came to us today -

24 Tuesday

a.m - heavy rain with little intermission
P.M. occasional heavy rain & hail - bright in the intervals - fine all night -
Went up to the Works at 11 - at 2 [?] PM went to Baths Yard - over to Sketty before dinner - The Grenfells dined with us to meet Lady Mary -

25 Wednesday

Fine in the night - overcast a.m. Heavy rain P>M -
Remained at home till 12 - & then over to Sketty - back 2 P.M. Lady Mary & Miss Talbot left us at 2½ - I then went up to Hendrefoilan with Harry - We all went over to dine at Penllergare & in the evening let off some fireworks - home about 11-P M I burnt my hand -

26 Thursday

Parkwern

Fine -

Went to the Infirmary at 10 a.m. at 12. I went up to the Works - Dock office at 3.P.M. Home at 5½ - I had a bad headache in the evening

27 Friday

Rainy & unsettled -

At home - over to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon with Bessie & the children

28 Saturday

Wind high - unsettled not much rain -

a.m. at home & to Sketty - P.M to Hendrefoilan

29 Sunday

Unsettled - wind high SW-

a-m. over to Sketty

P.M. to Bryn Newydd & Sketty with Bessie & the children -

30 Monday

Parkwern

Wind high S.W. - driving clouds - fine on the whole

Comm of Works at 10 a.m. - Dock office ½ yearly meeting at 12 - Works in the P.M. home to dinner at ½ past 6 -

31 Tuesday

Rainy - mild - Wind S W -

Attended a meeting of the County Valuation Committee at the Town Hall at 11 a.m - engaged at it all day - home to dinner - R.O.Jones came to us this evening -

Feb 1 Wednesday

Rain all day - Wind in the evening got round to N.E -

County valuation Committee again all day -

2 Thursday

Parkwern -

Fine -

County Valuation Comm^{ee} at Neath all day. R O Jones left us today - In the evening I attended a meeting of the Lit & Scient^g Soc^y -

3 Friday

Fine - frost in the night -

Over to Sketty after breakfast - In to Swansea & the Works afterwards - home to dinner -

4 Saturday

Gloomy - threatening - some rain in the P.M -

Packing & c a.m. at Sketty & to Hendrefoilan P M -

5 Sunday

Rainy & Gloomy -
a.m. at home - P.M. over to Sketty -

6 Monday

Parkwern

Thick & Gloomy - not much rain - mild - Wind S W -
Comm^{ee} of Works at 10 a.m. Harbour meeting at 12 - packed up & c & over to
Sketty in the P.M - I have had a bad tooth ache all day

7 Thursday

Thick in the morning - fine the rest of the day
I have been busy packing up all day except for about an hour in the middle of the
day when I went to Sketty - We leave this place for Bryn Newydd tomorrow -

8 Wednesday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - Wind high W -
Busy at Parkwern all day packing & c - We came here this evening having dined
at Sketty - -

9 Thursday

Bryn Newydd.

Fine - clear & cold - -
Busy packing & c at Parkwern the greater part of the day - We went with Bessie
& Minnie to hear a Musical lecture of Sir H.Bishops -¹

10 Friday

Fine - frost in the night cold all day - Wind N.W.
Attended a Town Council meeting at 11½ - Went up to Hendrefoilan in the
afternoon with E.M. Richards

11 Saturday

Fine - cold all day -
My Faceache still troublesome -
a.m. to Sketty & Parkwern - packed & c
P.M - to Hendrefoilan with Bessie & the children

12 Sunday

Tolerably fine -
My Face ache bad - I remained at home all day -

13 Monday

Bryn Newydd - -
Fine -
Face ache & headache troublesome - at 12 I went to Sketty and then went in to
Swansea to attend a meeting of Dock Directors -

¹ Sir Henry Bishop 1786-1855. Trained as a jockey but being unsuited went to London to study
harmony. Composed various operas and also *Home Sweet Home*, and *Lo! here the gentle lark* and other
coloratura songs. Director of Coven Garden Opera. First musician ever knighted.

14 Tuesday

Misty - damp - dark - on the whole

Face ache very troublesome I remained at home all day -

15 Wednesday

Fine - wind N.W - rather cold

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon at home the rest of the day

My Face ache still rather troublesome though better -

Bryn Newydd.

Fine on the whole - some small rain in the afternoon -

Infirmery at 10 a.m. & then up to the Works - at 3 P.M. attended a meeting of Dock Directors - home to dinner at 6 P.M.

17 Friday

Tolerably fine in the a.m.. heavy & frequent storms of rain Hail & win [sic] in the PM. Wind N W -

Attended a meeting of the local Board of Health at 11 a.m - in the P.M - paid bills & in Swansea home to dinner

18 Saturday

Wind N. frequent & violent storms of hail Snow & Wind -

Busy at the Works all day -

19 Sunday

Fine -

a.m. We went to church -

P.M. walked with B & the children went over to Sketty & c

20 Monday

Bryn Newydd -

Fog in the morning - tolerably fine in the day -

Comm. of Works at 10 a.m - & then at 11 a general committee of whole board of Local Bd of health - to the works in the afternoon -

21 Tuesday

Very fine -

Dock office at 11 a.m. - to Sketty & called at Singleton in the afternoon -

22 Wednesday

a.m threatening - P.M. rain wind S.S.E.

a.m. wrote & c at home. P.M over to Sketty & c

23 Thursday

Bryn Newydd -

Fine -

Infirmery at 10 a.m. then attended a Committee of Bd of Health - In the afternoon walked out to Hendrefoilan with Richards -

24 Friday

a.m - threatening - Wind S.S.W - P.M rain -

I went in at 11 a.m. to attend the adjourned Quarter Sessions - I sat in the 2nd Court with H.A. Bruce on the trial of prisoners got home about 6 P.M.

25 Saturday

Fine -

a.m. went to Sketty & c - P M up to the Works & then to Hendrefoilan

26 Sunday

Very fine

a.m. went to church but there was no service - then to Sketty - P.M. walked on the sands with the Children & c

27 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - but overcast -

Comm^{ee} of Works at 10 a.m - meeting of Town Council & Local Board of Health at 11 - up to the Works in the afternoon

28 Tuesday

Very fine -

Over to Sketty after breakfast & then up to the Works -

March 1 Wednesday

Very fine - frost at night

Held a court as alderman for Assessors of Upper Ward at 9 a.m.

Attended a meeting of Local Board of Health at 11 a.m. & then went up to the works - in the P M went up to Hendrefoilan with Mr Richards -

2 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine - Frost in the night

Harbour Committee at 11 a.m & then up to the works - over to Sketty before dinner -

3 Friday

Very fine - Frost in the night -

Attended a Property committee at 12 (noon) - home in the afternoon & went up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie -

4 Saturday

Fine -

Over to Sketty after breakfast - then up to the works - home to dinner -

5 Sunday

Fine - Wind E - cold -

a-m - at home - P.M. over to Sketty & then up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie & the children -

6 Monday

Bryn Newydd -

Fine

Comm. of Works at 10 a.m. Harbour meeting at 12 - dined with the Sheriff - H

Thomas came here to night -

7 Tuesday

Misty rain at intervals - mild Wind S -

Attended the Grand Jury & on a Harbour Committee - home to dinner at 7 -

8 Wednesday

Misty rain the greater part of the day - very mild -

Grand Jury at 11 & then on a Harbour Committee - to Sketty about 4 P.M - home to dinner - we had a party here -

9 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Rainy & unsettled wind S W -

Dock office at 10 - to meet Abernethy & c - Harbour Committee the rest of the day

10 Friday

Heavy rain in the night & morning - fine ion the P.M. wind W -

Town Council meeting at 11 - Harbour Committee afterwards till 4 P.M. I then came home & walked up to Hendrefoilan with H. Thomas

11 Saturday

Overcast - variable -

Local B^d of Health meeting at 11 Harbour Committee the rest of the day

12 Sunday

Fine -

Over to Sketty at 1.P.M. went up to Hendrefoilan in the P.M with Bessie H

Thomas & the children -

13 Monday

Bryn Mynydd

Fine

Comm^{ee} of Works at 10 a.m - Harbour meeting at 11 - up to the Works in the afternoon - home to dinner - called at Sketty in the way home - H. Thomas left us today -

14 Tuesday

Fine -

Attended a meeting of Local Board of Health at 11 - & then to Lewis Thomas s office on committee of Harbour Bill - home to dinner at ½ past 6

15 Wednesday

Fine on the whole - some showers in the morning -

Committee on Harbour Bill at 10½ a.m. - then up to the works - meeting of Dock Directors in the afternoon

16 Thursday

Bryn Newydd -

Fine -

Parly Comm. of Harbour Trust at 10½ a.m - to Sketty at 1.P.M. & in the afternoon went with Bessie up to Hendrefoilan - We dined at Derwen fawr -

17 Friday

Very fine -

a.m. to a Town Council meeting & then to the Works

P.M. - home over to Sketty with Bessie & c

18 Saturday

Bristol - Fine -

I left Swansea by the Xpress train & came here via Gloucester - after dinner I went up to see J.D.L -

19 Sunday

London

Cold - some rain & snow

I left Bristol at 10 a.m - & came up here - got to Paddington at 5 PM

20 Monday

London

Fine - cold -

Engaged all day about the Harbour bill - We met Tennant with Lord Redesdale & settled with him - Also met Hooper as to his petition - I went to see DelaBeche after dinner -

21 Tuesday

Some rain in the morning - fine the rest of the day -

12 oclock went to A Gibbs & Son respecting a sale of Silver ore - At 1 PM met the Harbour Committee at Grenfells with the Copper Companies & we arranged with them as to the Tariff -

22 Wednesday

Fine -

Executed commissions &c &c - in the afternoon met with the Committee at Parly Agents office at a consultation of Council -

23 Thursday

London

Fine - cold -

Engaged all day about the Harbour Bill which went into Committee -

24 Friday

Dry -

Engaged all day again on the Harbour Bill - the Committee have adjourned till Monday - In the evening I went to Exeter Hall - the Requiem of Mozart was performed -

25 Saturday

Dry.

Engaged the greater part of the day with Council Parly agents &c -

26 Sunday

Dark & Gloomy - some rain a.m. & P.M. but not night

a.m. remained in the club - P.M. went to see DelaBeche - & afterward to the Zool^l Gardens -

27 Monday

London

Fine -

Engaged all day at the Committee Room of the H. of Commons & in arranging clauses & c

28 Tuesday

Fine -

Again all day in the Harbour Bill - at its rising the Committee adjourned till tomorrow week

29 Wednesday

Bryn Newydd -

Very fine.

Engaged with our Harbour Com^{ee} the greater part of the day as to the constitution of the Trust - Left London by the Xpress train at 5 P.M. - & got here about 12 at night -

30 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Fine in the P.M - mild rain in the Forenoon -

Over to Sketty after breakfast & then up to the works

31 Friday

Very fine -

Went up to the Works after breakfast returned about 1 P.M. & then went over to Sketty - up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie & Minnie in the afternoon -

April 1 Saturday

Fine a.m - - misty ran P.M.

Up to the Works after breakfast.

In the afternoon went up to Hendrefoilan with E.M. Richards -

2 Sunday
Fog in the a.m - mild - Fine in the day
a.m. at home
P.M. over to Sketty & c

3 April
Swindon
Fine -
Harbour Meeting the greater part of the day - I came up here by the Mail train
this evening

4 Tuesday
London
Very fine -
Came on here from Swindon by the morning Xpress train - Went to the city &c &
afterwards to the Parliamentary agents

5 Wednesday
Very fine -
Busy nearly all day about the clauses of the Harbour bill & c

6 Thursday
London
Very fine -
Committee on Harbour bill &c nearly all day - in the evening went to see Alberto
Smiths ascent of Mont Blanc

7 Friday
Very fine -
Committee & c & as yesterday

7 Saturday
Very fine -
a.m. executed commissions &c
P.M. went to Tottenham -

9 Sunday
Fine - rather cold
a.m. remained at the club -
P.M went up to see DelaBeche

10 Monday
London
Fine -
Committee of the House on the Harbour bill nearly all day -

11 Tuesday
Bryn Newydd
Swansea

Fine -

We passed our Harbour bill through the Comm^{te}. of the Commons today - I came home here by the evening express train -

12 Wednesday

Fine -

a.m. went to Swansea & c -

P.M. up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie - J D Llewelyn accompanied me - Bessie & I dined at Singleton -

13 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - very dry - wind E -

Went up to Hendrefoilan after breakfast - over to Sketty &c with Bessie in the afternoon -

14 Good Friday

Very fine -

a.m. Went up to the Works

P.M. to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan - Minnie is staying at Sketty -

15 Saturday

Very fine -

a.m. to Sketty &c

P-M - up to the works - The Marryatts came to us today -

16 Sunday

Very fine -

a-m. to church

P.M. over to Sketty -

17 Easter Monday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - a.m. Wind high scorching. P.M. very hot - calm

a.m. Com^e. of Works at 10. Home at 1 P.M. & in the afternoon rode to Kilvrough with Mr Marryatt & Minnie -

18 Easter Tuesday

Wind S.E. overcast - rain with Thunder came on in the evening -

Meeting of Local B^d of Health at 11 a.m. & then up to the works - home to dinner -

19 Wednesday

Fine -

Went up to the works after breakfast - returned about 3 P.M. & went up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie - over to Sketty before dinner -

20 Thursday

Bryn Newydd -

Fine - some rain came on at night from S.E. it did not continue however

a.m. at home & walked with the children on the sands - P.M. over to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie - We dined at Sketty -

21 Friday

Fine - very hot -

Town Council meeting at 11 a.m - then up to the works -

22 Saturday

Fine - cold - Wind N.E.

a.m. Drove to Kilvrough with Bessie

P.M. over to Sketty - walked with the children &c.

23 Sunday

Fine - cold. wind N.E.

a.m. went to church with Bessie & the children - P.M. Walked with the children over to Sketty & c

24 Monday

Bryn Newydd -

Fine -

Committee of Works at 10 a.m. up to the Works in the afternoon

25 Tuesday

Fine -

Petty Sessions at 11 - met the Harbour Parliamentary Committee afterwards -

Called at Sketty in my way home

26 Wednesday

Very fine

Went to Church in the morning with Bessie & the children - the day being appointed for a fast day on acc^t of the War -

P.M. Went to Sketty & c - with Bessie & the children

27 Thursday

Penllergare

Fine. Wind N.W. there was some rain in the morning but nit enough to wet the ground

Meeting of Local B^d of Health at 11 a.m. up to the works in the PM - over here to dinner - Bessie & Minnie have also come over

28 Friday

Very fine - Wind N.W. high cold -

Walked to the Works after breakfast then to Swansea Sketty & Bryn Newydd & up to Hendrefoilan & thence back here to dinner

29 Saturday

Bryn Newydd

Fine -

Left Penllergare this morning - to the Works first - then Harb^r Comm^{ee} at 3 P.M -
in Swansea - home by 6-P.M. - Bessie came here also - Minnie remains at
Penllergare -

30 Sunday

Some rain - Wind S.W. overcast -

a.m. at home

P.M - over to Sketty & c

May 1 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Rain in the night - Fine in the day

Committee of Works at 10 a.m. - Harbour meeting at 12 - Dock office in the
afternoon -

2 Tuesday

Rain at night & morning - fine in the day Wind W - mild growing weather

Harbour Parliamentary Committee at 10½ a.m. which lasted till ½ past 2 - to
Hendrefoilan with Bessie in the afternoon -

3 Wednesday

Heavy showers in the night - fine in the day -

Meeting of Local Board of Health at 11 a.m. Over to Baths Yard &c with E.M.
Richards in the afternoon -

4 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Occasional heavy showers -

Attended a Harbour Parl^y. Com^{ee} at 11 - up to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon with
Bessie - over to Sketty &c - We dined at Hill House

5 Friday

Occasional showers

Over to Sketty after breakfast - attended a meeting of the property Committee at
12 - Up to Landore in the afternoon -

6 Saturday

Fine in the day - heavy rain came on about 7½ P M.

a.m. up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie -

P.M. we went over to Sketty with the children

7 Sunday

Frequent & very heavy rain Wind S.W. -

a.m. at home. P.M. over to Sketty walked with Bessie & the children & c

8 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - Wind high W.N.W.

Committee of works at 10 a m meeting of local B^d of Health at 11 - Works in the P.M - Dock office at 4 P.M -

9 Tuesday

London

Heavy thunder storms & rain - frequent during the day -

I went to L.Thomas s office at 10 - & afterwards came up here by Xpress respecting the Harbour Bill -

10 Wednesday

Fine on the whole - rather cold

Met the Harbour Committee at Venables with Hope Scott & Pickering at 10½ a.m.

Afterwards went to the H. of Commons committee room on Bensons Swansea Vale line - I return home by the Mail train to night -

11 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Rain in the morning. fine in the day -

I returned home by the Mail train last night - Went into Swansea and up to the works -

12 Friday

Fine - Wind W -

Town Council meeting at 11 a m. then over to Baths yard - up to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon

13 Saturday

Very fine -

Up to the works with Minnie after breakfast - Attended a meeting of Dock Directors at 4 P.M.

14 Sunday

Very fine -

a.m. we went to church -

P.M. over to Sketty & c

15 Monday

Bryn Newydd -

Very fine -

Dock Directors meeting at 10 a m. Special General Dock meeting at 12 - home in the afternoon

16 Tuesday

Very fine

Petty Sessions at 11 - at 1.P.M went over to Baths yard with Richards - home in the afternoon over to Sketty & c

17 Wednesday

Very fine -

Over to Sketty after breakfast - at 12- We all went down to Oystermouth castle & spent the day there - Fanny & her party met us and Mary came down with Theresa -

18 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Overcast - no rain - Wind N -

After breakfast rode with Harry up to the Works - home at ½ past 2 P.M. & went over to Sketty with the children fishing & c -

19 Friday

Very fine -

a.m. Went up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie & the children - Theresa also came with us -

P.M. over to Sketty & c - We dined there in the evening -

20 Saturday

Some rain in the afternoon - overcast - mild

a.m. went to Swansea & on to the Works - returned about 3 P.M. - over to Sketty & c - we dined at Penllergare

21 Sunday

Overcast - frequent heavy rain in the afternoon - mild -

P.M - over to Sketty & c

22 Monday

Bryn Newydd

a.m. frequent & heavy rain - P.M. fine afternoon - Wind W - mild -

Com. of Works at 10 a.m - over to Baths yard & c - afterward home about 4½ P.M. & over to Sketty before & after dinner -

23 Tuesday

London

Some heavy storms through the day - fine in the evening

Went to a meeting of the Local Bd of Health after breakfast - Came up here with Bessie & Minnie by the express train - we have apartments at 18 Dover Street -

24 Wednesday

Heavy showers in the a.m. Fine in the P.M.

a.m. I went to the Parliamentary agents & c

P.M. Went with Bessie & Minnie to the R.A. exhibition - in the evening we went to the Olympic Theatre -

25 Thursday

Fine

Had a headache in the morning in the afternoon Went to see the Vernon Gallery with Bessie Rosie & Minnie. In the evening we all went to the Opera

26 Friday

Fine

a.m. Went into the City to meet Richards & c -

P.M. Went to the British Museum with Wilmot Rosie & Bessie - Minnie went out for a drive with Mrs Vaughan - in the evening we went to hear Mendelsohns [sic] Elijah at Exeter Hall -

27 Saturday

Heavy & frequent showers - fine in the intervals

a.m. went to Athenaeum made calls & c

P.M. We all went to the Sydenham Palace - Bessie Rosie & Minnie with Mr Hunt² & I with Dr. Latham³

28 Sunday

a.m. Very showery - P.M. gloomy but not much rain - heavy rain at night -

P M went with Bessie to the Zool. Gardens - Minnie not very well - remained at home

29 Monday

London. 18. Dover St.

Much & heavy rain - intervals of fine -

Made calls & c- with Bessie

30 Tuesday

Heavy & frequent showers -

After breakfast went out shopping with Bessie and Minnie - about 1½ P.M - I went down to the City & A Gibbs & Sons about Silver ore - returned about 3½

P.M. wrote letters & c & then went out again with Bessie & Minnie shopping again -

31 Wednesday

Fine

Mr Colling came by appointment and we were engaged with him until midday - we afterwards went out to Carriage makers &c - in the evening we went to Drury Lane Theatre to see Der Freischutz -

June 1 Thursday

London

Very fine -

I went down to Parliament St^t after breakfast - at 1½ - went with Bessie Rosie & Minnie to the Water Colour exhⁿ- I then went up to the college of Chemistry to meet Dr Price - at 5 joined them again & went to the House of Lords, where we heard a debate -

² This was probably Robert Hunt 1807-87. English mineralogist and early photographic research worker. Wrote, amongst other publications, *A Manual of Photography* published by John Joseph Griffin & Co. Founder member of the Photographic Society of London in 1853.

³ Probably Dr Robert Gordon Latham (1812-1888) who had been appointed director of the ethnological department at the Crystal Palace in 1852. See DNB for full biography.

2 Friday

Rainy -

Went with Bessie & Minnie to Tottenham & Walthamstow - to see my Aunts &c -
We got back about 4½ P.M. & then Bessie & I went to call on Mrs Bun [?] &
shopped & c till dinner time -

3 Saturday

Cold - fine on the whole - some rain in the morning

a.m. Went to the club & c - P.M. went with Bessie & Minnie to the French
exhibition of pictures - & then to the Horticultural show at Chiswick - in the
evening we went to the Han. Square concert rooms to hear the Cologne singers

4 Whit Sunday

Cold - Fine -

I was not well - in the afternoon went with Bessie & Minnie to the Zool. Gardens -

5 Whit Monday

London -

Fine - cold - Wind E -

I did not move out all day being laid up with a bad sorethroat [*sic*] & headache -
Bessie & Minnie went out in a carriage shopping making calls &c

6 Whit Tuesday

Very cold - but dry - Wind E -

a.m. remained at home

P.M. went with Minnie & Bessie to a tile shop & manufactories of Marble & Slate
chimney pieces -

7 Wednesday

Ipswich

Fine but very cold & overcast

We came down here for a visit to the Alexanders⁴ - Got here about 2 P.M. Went to
the Town. Museum &c

8 Thursday

London

Fine - but still overcast -

We returned here from Ipswich today

9 Friday

Fine -

Bessie & Minnie with Rosie returned home by the Express train to day - I saw
them off - then came & moved my quarters to 12 Pall Mall - I was engaged the
rest of the day with Richards, in going to the Parl^y Agents &c & c

⁴ Ann Alexander was a sister of Lewis Weston Dillwyn. Her husband Richard Dykes Alexander was an Ipswich banker. His bank later became part of Barclays. R D Alexander was also an early photographer using both the daguerreotype and wet collodion processes.

10 Saturday

Fine

Met Dr Price after breakfast at the college of chemistry - - then went to the Parliamentary Agents - called to see DelaBeche &c &c -

11 Trinity Sunday

Gloomy - no rain - windy -

a.m - remained at the club

P.M - walked up to call on Stroud &c

12 Monday

London

Showery

a.m. Engaged with Lewis Thomas &c about the Harbour Bill - Went to the House of Lords to be sworn as a Witness & c - P.M. engaged with Richards - went to Dr. Prices &c. After dinner attended a lecture on Metallurgy by Dr. Percy⁵

13 Tuesday

Showery -

The Harbour Bill came on before the Committee of the House of Lords to day -

We did not finish our case by the P.M. at 4 P.M I went with Richards down to the City respecting the sale of some Silver -

14 Wednesday

Fine -

Engaged nearly the whole day in the Committee room of the House of Lords - I went down to the city for an hour in the middle of the day to try to see Mr Janson - I failed to do so however

15 Thursday

London

Gloomy & very dark - rain in the morning

Engaged till about 4 P.M. in the Comm^{ee} room - the bill was then passed except for 2 clauses which are to be settled tomorrow -

16 Friday

London

Very gloomy & dark - frequent rain -

Busy nearly all day about Bensons railroad Bill in assisting him in the endeavour to get it recommitted - we failed however - about 2 P.M I went down to the city to see Mr Janson - I return home by Mail train tonight -

⁵ Probably John Percy MD, FRS. Founder Council Member of the Photographic Society of London, now the Royal Photographic Society.

17 Saturday

Bryn Newydd -

Fine - showers in the P.M -

I came back by Mail train last night - went to Sketty - Hendrefoilan & c -

18 Sunday

Fine -

a.m. we all went to church -

P.M. over to Sketty - dined at 5 - & walked on the sands afterwards -

19 Monday

Bryn Newydd -

Unsettled -

Committee of L. B^d of Health at 10 a.m.

Works afterwards - home to dinner

20 Tuesday

Fine -

a.m. Went over to Sketty -

P.M. rode with Bessie & c

21 Wednesday

Dark in the day - Rain in the evening - thick - mild -

a.m. Went to the Willows to meet Mr Prothero & execute some deeds in the Moggridge trust -

P.M engaged at the works - called at Sketty in my way home -

22 Thursday

Bryn Newydd -

Fine

Committee of local B^d of Health at 10a m. at 11½ went by the Xpress train to Bridgend to attend the Finance Comm^{ee} of the County there - returned by down Express -

23 Friday

Very mild & close - occasional foggy thick rain - Wind S.S.W -

a.m. attended a meeting of the Local Board of Health - P.M. went over to Sketty where we dined -

24 Saturday

Overcast - but fine & warm -

Went to the works after breakfast - about 8½ P.M. I went up to Hendrefoilan

25 Sunday

Very close - frequent misty rain -

P.M. over to Sketty & c

26 Monday

Bryn Newydd

A Gale of Wind from S.W - heavy rain -
Comm^{ee} of Works at 10 - busy at Silver Works the rest of the day -
home to dinner -

27 Tuesday

Heavy & frequent storms -

Rode up to the Works at 10 a.m. Petty Sessions at 11 - & on to 3½ P.M.

28 Wednesday

Fine -

Sketty after breakfast & then up to the works - home to dinner

29 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Fine in the day - Rain in the evening

Went to the Quarter Sessions at 11 a.m then on to the works - home to dinner at
7½ - Bruce came out with me - The 2 Allens & Mr Bishop dined here

30 Friday

Cloudy but fine all day -

Walked in to Swansea with H.A. Bruce after breakfast & opened the Court of Q.
Sessions with him - at 11 a.m. I went on with H Thomas to Loughor respecting
the Bridge there - at 1 P.M. I walked back to Hendrefoilan where I met Bessie
Rosie & the children -

July 1 Saturday

Cloudy but fine -

Went to the Works - at 5½ P.M rode over to Penllergare to dinner - Bessie & all
our party went there in the morning -

2 Sunday

Misty rain nearly all day -

Went over to Sketty in the afternoon -

3 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Very rainy

Committee of works at 10 a.m - & Harbour meeting at 12. Up to the works in the
afternoon - Bessie & Rosie have gone up to the Maryatts for the night

4 Tuesday

Fine on the whole -

a.m. over to Sketty & c

P.M. Attended a Dock meeting

5 Wednesday

Showery

Went up to the works at 12 & up to Hendrefoilan with Rosie & Bessie in the
afternoon - We dined at Sketty

6 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Tolerably fine -

Committee meeting of Infirmary at 11 a.m. then up to the works - took the children for walk on the sands before dinner

7 Friday

Fine - Sultry & hot -

Attended Annual meeting of Infirmary at 12 - We dined at Hill House -

8 Saturday

Heavy & frequent showers - thunder - close -

I did not go out much to day except to Sketty in the P.M -

9 Sunday

Hot & bright in the day - in the afternoon Showery -

a.m. we all went to church

P.M. over to Sketty & c

10 Monday

Bryn Newydd -

Heavy showers - still. close -

Come^{ee} of works at 10 a.m. then up to Landore - Dock office in the afternoon -

11 Tuesday

Very fine -

Engaged on a Harbour Committee for the greater part of the day - We dined at Sketty -

12 Wednesday

Rain early in the morning - fine in the day -

a.m up to the works & c

P.M. over to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan -

13 Thursday

London

Fine on the whole -

Came up here to day by Xpress train with Rosie & Harry - Rosie went home - & Harry & I to Hatchets Hotel - we went to Albert Smiths Mount Blanc in the evening -

14 Friday

Rainy -

a.m. Commissions & c - P.M. shewed Harry the Houses of Parliament & then we went to the Sydenham Palace - we went to the Haymarket Theatre at night

15 Saturday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine - hot
Went with Harry to the Zoological Gardens & c - We came home by the Express train this evening -

16 Sunday
Misty rain - close -
a.m. we all went to church -
P.M over to Sketty & c

17 Monday
Rheola
Very fine -
Committee of B^d of Health at 10 a.m. in the afternoon came up here with Bessie & Minnie

18 Tuesday
Rheola
Fine -
P.M. walked with Minnie & Mrs Forman over Resolven mountains

19 Wednesday
Bryn Newydd -
Fine -
We came home from Rheola by the train this afternoon

20 Thursday
Bryn Newydd
Very fine -
D^r Price came here this morning & I went to the Works with him - We dined at Singleton

21 Friday
Fine - but overcast -
Up to the works & to Baths Yard with D^r Price -

22 Saturday
Very fine - bright & clear - Wind - W. fresh
Went up to the works with D^r Price - remained there all day

23 Sunday
Fine very hot
am went to church - P.M Sketty & c

24 Monday
Bryn Newydd
Frequent & heavy Thunder Storms all day - very close -
D^r Price left us this morning - I attended Com^{ee} of B^d of H. at 10 a.m then up to the works. to Hendrefoilan with Bessie before dinner - Mr Colling came here this evening

25 Tuesday

very hot & close - Thunder about all day - very heavy storm at night & bright lightning

Busy at the Works all day - The Marriotts [*sic*] came to us today - Mr Colling went up to Hendrefoilan

26 Wednesday

Heavy Thunder early in the morning - frequent Thunder Storms through the day

-

a.m. at home & over to Sketty

P.M. up to Hendrefoilan - Mr Colling busy there - the Marryatts are still with us -

27 Thursday

Bryn Newydd -

Overcast - no rain - close -

a.m. at home & over to Sketty -

PM - at 1 into Swansea - home at 3½ P.M - & up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie

28 Friday

Very fine -

Went up to the Works - over to Sketty before dinner & c

29 Saturday

Overcast - occasional slight rain -

a.m up to Hendrefoilan with Mr Colling

P.M - to Sketty with the children & c

30 Sunday

Fine on the whole - some misty rain

a.m. went to church

PM to Sketty & walked with the children

31 Monday

Plas Newydd

Unsettled -

Committee of Local Bd at 10 a.m. Meeting of Dock Directors afterwards. Up to the works at 12 - home in the afternoon & over to Sketty till dinner time -

August 1 Tuesday

a.m. Showery - P.M. Fine -

At Noon I attended a meeting of the Liberal Registration Soc^y at Richards s house

- returned home at ½ past 2 P.M. & rode over to Penllergare with Bessie & Harry

- Mr Colling & his Son went over in the Dog cart - We came home to dinner -

2 Wednesday

Fine -

Attended meeting of Local Bd of Health at 11 a.m - then up to the Works home to dinner

3 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Showery

Up to the works at 11 a.m - to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon - Barclay & Miss Fox came here this evening -

4 Friday

Fine -

Went up to Hendrefoilan with B. Fox before breakfast - he left by the express train as well as Mr Colling - I then went up to the works - home about 4 - & then went to Sketty till dinner - Miss Fox remains with us -

5 Saturday

Very fine -

Works a.m. Hendrefoilan & Sketty in the afternoon

6 Sunday

Very fine -

a.m. Walked with Miss Fox to Swansea & the quarterly meeting - I returned at once & sat with LWD - P.M - over to Sketty &c

7 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine - hot & bright -

Com. of L. Bd^d of Health at 10 am. Harbour meeting at 12 - then up to the works - home in the afternoon & went up to Hendrefoilan - Miss Fox left us to day -

8 Tuesday

Very fine -

Petty Sessions at 11 - then up to the Works - to Hendrefoilan with Bessie in the afternoon -

9 Wednesday

Very fine -

Rode over to Penllergare after breakfast with Bessie & Amy - then to the Works - JDL & Willy accompanied us - in the P.M I went up with J.D.L. & Willy to Hendrefoilan

10 Thursday

Gloucester -

Hot in the day - at night overcast & threatening -

- Works in the morning - In the afternoon I came up here with Bessie & Harry - hence they proceed to Falmouth with the Foxes tomorrow -

11 Friday

Bryn Newydd

Fine in the morning - thick rain PM -

After breakfast went with Bessie & Harry to see Gloucester cathedral - at 11½ a.m. they proceeded to Cornwall with Miss Fox & B. Fox by the Xpress train - I returned home -

12 Saturday

Much rain - Wind S.W - mild -

At home & over to Sketty -

13 Sunday

Unsettled - frequent rain -

a.m. went to church with the children

P.M. over to Sketty &c

14 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - rain came on in the evening

B^d of H. committee 10 a.m - then up to the works. Hendrefoilan in the afternoon - dined at Sketty - the children went over there to tea -

15 Tuesday

Thunder - hail & much rain in the night & morning. Fine in the day -

Busy at the works the greater part of the day -

16 Wednesday

Fine - cool - Wind W N W

Up at the Works the greater part of the day with D^r Price who came this morning - he returned here with me to dinner & remains here

17 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - cool - occasional slight Showers -

Harbour Committee at 11 a.m - then up to the Works with D^r Price - home about 3½ P.M - at 4. Walked up to Hendrefoilan with D^r Price and Minnie -

18 Friday

Fine - cool -

Busy at the Works with D^r Price - We returned at 5 & dined at 5½ - D^r P- left this evening by the Mail train -

19 Saturday

Overcast & threatening - showers at night -

Harbour Comm^{ee} at 11 a.m. in the P.M - went to Hendrefoilan with Minnie - Richards met us there

20 Sunday

Fine -

a.m. to church with the Children

P M - over to Sketty &c -

21 Monday

Bryn Newydd

a.m. Rain - P.M. tolerably fine

Com^{ee} of Works at 10 a.m. Harbour meeting at 12 - then up to the Works Home at 4½ & up to Hendrefoilan with the children

22 Tuesday

Fine - Wind high - fresh -

Went down to Oxwich bay with Minnie & Amy -

23 Wednesday

Much rain - Wind S. high

a.m - at home

P.M. in to Swansea & up to Hendrefoilan

24 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Wind - W - high - fine -

Up to the works - to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon -

25 Friday

Very fine

To the Works - over to Sketty in the afternoon -

26 Saturday

Overcast - Misty - no rain to speak of -

a.m to the works. P.M. to Langland Bay with Minnie & Amy

27 Sunday

Very fine - hot -

a.m - to church with the children

P.M - over to Sketty & c-

28 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine - bright & very hot -

Comm^{ee}. of Works at 10 a m then up to the works - home to dinner

29 Tuesday

Very fine - bright & hot. A sea fog in the morning -

Petty Sessions at 11 a.m. & called at Singleton at 2½ P.M. Up to Hendrefoilan with the children at 4½ P.M -

30 Wednesday

Very fine - bright & hot -

Into Swansea at 10½ a.m. heard of poor W. Strouds death who was drowned this morning about 9½ a m while bathing - up to the works at 12 - home to dinner

31 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine -

Attended a Harbour meeting at 12. Out to Hendrefoilan with EMR in the afternoon -

Sept 1 Friday

Very fine -

Committee of Works & Corpⁿ prop^x Committee all morning - Walked with Minnie to Clyne Common in the afternoon -

2 Saturday

Very fine -

Up to the Works - over to Sketty in the afternoon

3 Sunday

Very fine -

I came up to Gloucester by the 1 P.M. train - I go on by Mail train tonight to Bristol & Plymouth -

4 Monday

Pengerrich - Falmouth -

Very hot - bright -

Came down to Plymouth through the night by the Mail train & thence on here by Mail coach - arrived at ½ past 2 P.M at Falmouth - came on here to Mr Fox^s to meet Bessie & Harry who are staying here - laid up with a bilious attack in the evening -

5 Tuesday

Carclew - -

Very hot & bright -

Attended a meeting of judges & c of a Polytechnic Institution at Falmouth - walked to Pendennis castle with Caroline Fox & c - In the afternoon we came out here calling at Enys in the way -

6 Wednesday

Carclew

Very fine -

Attended a meeting of the Polytechnic meeting at Falmouth as did all the party staying here Sir C Lemon being the president - back here to dinner -

7 Thursday

Plymouth

Very fine -

We left Carclew at ½ past 10 a m. & came on here by Mail coach - arriving at ½ past 5 P.M.

8 Friday

Clifton

Very fine -

After breakfast we went to some Marble Masons at Plymouth - left by the 12 (noon) o'clock train & came here - arrived about 6 P.M - we walked on Durdham down after tea

9 Saturday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine -

We crossed from Bristol to Cardiff by Steamer & came on to Swansea by train arrived at 2 P.M - I went up to the works - D^r Price there - he dined with us -

10 Sunday

Very fine -

a.m. over to Sketty - P.M - D^o - after dinner went up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie -

11 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine

Comm^{ee} of Works at 10 a.m. Harbour meeting at 12 - afterwards up to the works

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12 Tuesday

Fine in the day - glass falling - overcast in the afternoon & about 6½ P.M. heavy rain set in -

Busy at the works all day -

13 Wednesday

Heavy rain last night - fine in the day - very hot -

Up to the works in the morning & to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon D^r Price dined with us -

14 Thursday

Unsettled & threatening in the forenoon heavy rain in the afternoon -

To the works in the morning & to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon -

15 Friday

Very hot & close - overcast at night

Attended a sale of Mr Lawfords stock at Tyrydach [?] - got home about ½8 P.M -

16 Saturday

a.m. unsettled P.M - very heavy continuous rain -

a.m. to Swansea - P.M. to Penllergare with Bessie & D^r Price

17 Sunday

Fine -

a.m. to church - P.M - to Sketty - walked with the children &c -

18 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Unsettled

Comm^{ee} of Works at 10 a.m - Harbour meeting at 12 - afterwards B^d of H. meeting respecting the appearance of Cholera - at 3 P.M I went up to the works - home at 6½ P.M -

19 Tuesday

Unsettled -

B^d of Health comm^{ee} at 10 a m - up to the works afterwards; home in the afternoon & up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie -

20 Wednesday

Rain till about 11 a.m. Fine the rest of the day - Wind W -

Met Mandry⁶ at Burrows Lodge at 10½ about moving trees - L Board of H. meeting at 11½ - went up to the works afterwards - about 3 P.M took a ride with Bessie & Minnie

21 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - Wind N.W.

Busy all day planting & C at Hendrefoilan

22 Friday

Fine -

Planting at Hendrefoilan all day

23 Saturday

Some rain in the night - fine in the day -

Planting at Hendrefoilan nearly all day

24 Sunday

Rainy - Wind S W -

a.m. Went to church with Bessie

P.M - over to Sketty - called at Rhydyrhelig and Dderwen fawr

25 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine -

Comm.^{ee} of Works at 10 a.m - Harbour Ballast Comm^{ee} at 10½ - & Harbour meeting at 12 - Up to the works afterwards - home to dinner at 6½ P.M.

26 Tuesday

Very fine -

Harbour Committee on officers & c at 10½ - home in the P.M. went over to Sketty - at 4 went up to Hendrefoilan with the children -

27 Wednesday

Coedriglan -

Very fine -

⁶ Possibly Mr Mandre who was one of the Penllergare staff, possibly a gardener.

Attended Comm^{ee} of County valuation at Cowbridge at 10½ - Came on here to dinner - Bessie also met me having come up by a later train

28 Thursday

Coedriglan -

Very fine - hot & bright

Went into Cardiff on County Val^l Comm^{ee} after breakfast - back here to dinner

29 Friday

Lanelay

Very fine - bright - hot

Into Cardiff again after breakfast - came out here in the afternoon - Bessie came up by the 12 o'clock train - I walked from St Nicholas and arrived at 6 P.M -

30 Saturday

Very fine -

Went into Swansea by train after breakfast out to Sketty & Bryn Newydd - at 2 P.M attended a meeting of the Swansea bay railway C^o returned here by the 4.20-P.M. train

Oct 1 Sunday

Very fine -

a.m. We all went to Llantrissant church

P.M - Walked in the Garden & I went for a walk on Garth Meilog -

2 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Very fine - fog in the morning -

We returned from Lanelay to day - I went to the Works - came out about 3 P.M.

Went to Sketty & afterwards up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie & the children

3 Tuesday

a.m - overcast. P.M. very fine -

Harbour Comm^{ee} at 10½ a.m. then to the works home at 6 - calling at Sketty in the way

4 Wednesday

a.m. overcast & threatening - P.M. misty rain -

Attended County valuation Comm^{ee} at Neath - home at 2½ P.M. & laid up the rest of the day with a headache

5 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

a.m. occasional rain. P.M. fine -

Attended a Harbour Comm^{ee} at 10½ a.m. Up to the works at 1 P.M. returned at 3 P.M. with Oliver Jones who came to us to day - & walked up to Hendrefoilan with him -

6 Friday

Unsettled & rainy - raw & dark
County valuation Committee at Swansea at 10 a.m. home from it about 6 p.m -
O.Jones left us to day

7 Saturday

Fine - Wind N.E. cold -

Up to the works after breakfast - & to Hendrefoilan with Bessie in the afternoon -
D^r Price dined with us -

8 Sunday

a.m. fine - cold. P.M. overcast rain at night milder -

a.m. I went to Sketty - P.M. over again with Bessie and the children

9 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Fine -

Com. of Workhouse 10 a.m. Harbour meeting at 12 - up to the works at 2 P.M.
home to dinner - over to Sketty after dinner

10 Tuesday

London

Fine -

Came up here with Bessie by Xpress train - We are at Houchins Hotel 58 St^t James
St^t

11 Wednesday

Fine - rain in the night -

a.m. executed various commissions & c - saw D^r Price - & called at the Museum

P.M. Went out shopping with Bessie -

12 Thursday

London

Fine - clear & fresh.

Went to Paddington after breakfast for a plate of Silver which was sent up - took
it to Balts in Cheapside & sold it - afterwards shopped &c - &c with Bessie

13 Friday

Thick fog & smoke in the city - otherwise bright & fine - -

After breakfast went to Johnston & Mattheys & then to Harrow to see D^r Vaughan
respecting Harrys entry there as a pupil - returned at 3 P.M & went out with
Bessie -

14 Saturday

Bryn Newydd

Fine - dark

We returned home by the xpress train - H Thomas came to us this afternoon -

15 Sunday

a.m. threatening - P.M. rainy

a.m. over to Sketty - P.M. went up to Hendrefoilan with H. Thomas

[the following weeks entries appear after those for week starting 23 October]

16 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Fine in the day. heavy rain at night

Com^e of Works at 10 a.m. Quarter Sessions & L. Bd of Health at 11 - Hendrefoilan
in the afternoon - We dined at Singleton - H. Thomas left us today -

17 Tuesday

Cold - Wind N.E. occasional rain dark & gloomy

Up to the Works - to Sketty in the afternoon -

18 Wednesday

Cold - Wind N - fine -

Moving Laurels & c from Sketty to Hendrefoilan -

19 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

a.m. fine but rather threatening

P.M. rainy - cold & raw -

Busy all day at Sketty & Hendrefoilan moving shrubs & c

20 Friday

Heavy occasional showers -

a.m. up to Hendrefoilan

P.M to the works & Sketty -

21 Saturday

No rain - dark - rather cold -

a.m to Hendrefoilan - P.M to the works

22 Sunday

Sunday - fine -

Over to Sketty & c - -

Miss Davies (Governess) left us to day

23 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Unsettled

Com. of Works at 10 a.m - up to Ladore [*sic*] afterwards home to dinner

24 Tuesday

Unsettled

Local Bd of Health and Town Council meeting in the forenoon - to the Works in
the afternoon - home to dinner -

25 Wednesday

Threatening but no rain to matter -
At home over to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan - I did not go into Swansea

26 Thursday

Baglan Hall -

Unsettled - fine in the afternoon - cold -

Harbour meeting for letting the Tolls at 12 - at 4 P.M I came here with Bessie - -

We remain here tonight

27 Friday

Bryn Newydd

Fine a.m. cold - P.M. overcast - Wind S.E.

We left Baglan Hall at 10 a.m. & returned here - I got down at Landore & remained there till 1 P.M. I then came home calling at the Willows on the way - over to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon -

28 Saturday

Fine on the whole -

Over to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan -

29 Sunday

Rainy -

Over to Sketty nearly all day

30 Monday

Bryn Newydd -

am unsettled & rainy - P.M. fine -

Com. of Works at 10 - home in the afternoon and over to Sketty -

31 Tuesday

Fine - rather cold

Petty Sessions at 11 a.m - then up to the Works - to Hendrefoilan before dinner -

Nov 1 Wednesday

Fine -

As presiding Alderman of the upper Ward I held the municipal election there -

Was laid up with a bad headache in the evening -

2 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Misty rain in the P.M.

Meeting of L. Bd of Health at 11 - afterwards attended a meeting of the patriotic fund - to Sketty in the afternoon

3 Friday

Fine

Over to Sketty after breakfast, & then up top Hendrefoilan where I was busy planting & c the rest of the day - Bessie & the children accompanied me

4 Saturday

Overcast - fine on the whole - Wind W -

Over to Sketty after breakfast - planting at Hendrefoilan the rest of the day -
Bessie & the children with me - After dinner to Sketty & remained there till 10 -

5 Sunday

a m threatening & showers P.M. fine

Over to Sketty in the a.m - Walked with Bessie & the children & c in the P.M.

6 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Fine

Com. of Works at 10 a.m - then up to the works - to Hendrefoilan with Bessie in
the afternoon - Kingscote came to us this evening -

7 Tuesday

Fine -

Went into Swansea with Kingscote after breakfast - Dock office & to Sketty & c -
in the P.M. attended meeting in aid of Patriotic fund in the evening -

8 Wednesday

Very fine - sharp & clear -

Into Swansea & c -

9 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Fine -

Attended Town Council meeting & c - election of Mayor - Kingscote left us today

10 Friday

Showery

Shot with Penrice at Kilvrough - Mr Marryat came here this evening -

11 Saturday

Showery -

Up to the Works after breakfast - to Hendrefoilan & c with Bessie in the P.M.

Marryat left us -

12 Sunday

Gloomy but no rain -

P.M. at Sketty & c

13 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Heavy occasional showers -

Comm^{ee} of Works at 10.a.m. Harbour meeting at noon - up to the Works
afterwards & to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon

14 Tuesday

Very fine -
Harbour Committee at 10 - home at 1 P.M - & up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie & the children - busy planting there -

15 Wednesday
Stormy - Hail & c - fine at intervals -
Busy all day at Hendrefoilan planting & c - We dined at Singleton in the evening

16 Thursday
Bryn Newydd
Fine -
a.m. I went to Swansea - returned about 1½ P.M. & went up to Hendrefoilan -

17 Friday
Fine -
Busy planting at Hendrefoilan nearly all day -

18 Saturday
Fine - Wind N.E. cold
Planting at Hendrefoilan

19 Sunday
Fine - dark & cold -
a.m. to church with Minnie -
P.M. to Sketty & walked with Minnie - Bessie has a cold -

20 Monday
Bryn Newydd
Fine - cold - wind N.E -
a.m. 10. To Com^e of Works -
P.M. Busy at works -

21 Tuesday
a.m. cloudy - P.M. heavy rain - wind W.
Busy planting at Hendrefoilan

22 Wednesday
Cold - Wind N.W. occasional hail & sleet -
Busy at Works all day - at 3 P.M. attended at Dock office

23 Thursday
Bryn Newydd
Bright & fine - Sharp frost in the night - cold all day
Up to Hendrefoilan after breakfast and then over the Hill to Travelle with my gun to look for Snipes -

24 Friday
Fine - cold - Wind N.E

Up to works after breakfast home at 12½ & to Sketty - to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon -

25 Saturday

Fine - frost in the night

Went out shooting at Penllergare

26 Sunday

Sharp frost -

a.m. to church with Bessie & the children

P.M. We went up to Hendrefoilan over to Sketty & c

27 Monday

Bryn Newydd -

Sharp frost in night - foggy & gloomy all day - rain in the afternoon

a.m. Comm^{ee} of Works. P M up to the Works over to Sketty & c - I go up to London tonight by Mail train with a plate of Silver -

28 Tuesday

London

Dark rainy -

Came up by Mail train - after breakfast sold the Silver to Bults & c - in the P.M. saw DelaBeche & c

29 Wednesday

Fine on the whole - some showers -

Executed commissions - went to see DelaBeche & c I return home by the Mail train tonight -

30 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Rainy -

I came down by Mail train - after breakfast went up to the works with Minnie - To Sketty & c in the afternoon -

Dec 1 Friday

showery -

I have a bad cold & remained at home in the morning - Over to Sketty & up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie in the afternoon

2 Saturday

Fine -

Cold still very troublesome - busy the greater part of the day at Hendrefoilan planting - Bessie & the children with me in the morning

3 Sunday

Unsettled -

Over to Sketty - did not go out otherwise on acct of my cold

11 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Frost last night - red sunrise - heavy rain all the P.M. -

Com. of Works at 10 a.m. Harbour meeting at 12 - then up to the Works

12 Tuesday

Fine -

Petty Sessions at 11 - then up to the Works -

13 Wednesday

Dark frequent misty rain - mild Wind S W -

a.m. attended at the Police court at 11. for the Mayor - P.M - up to Hendrefoilan,
over to Sketty

14 Thursday

Bryn Newydd

Wind high - W. Overcast

Police Court at 11 a.m. then up to Works - to Hendrefoilan in the afternoon

15 Friday

Unsettled -

Police Court at 11 a.m. Harbour meeting at 12 - to Hendrefoilan & Sketty in the
afternoon

16 Saturday

Showery. cold. Wind W.N.W

Went over to Penllergare about some trees which JD. [*sic*] gave me - Bessie came
over in the evening & we dined there -

17 Sunday

Fine on the whole - Wind N.W -

a.m. over to Sketty

P.M. up to Hendrefoilan with Dr Price who dined here

18 Monday

Bryn Newydd

Fine Cold - Wind high -

Comm^{ee} of Works at 10 a.m. then up to the Works - to Hendrefoilan & Sketty in
the afternoon

19 Tuesday

Stormy - rain P.M. Wind high at night

Planting at Hendrefoilan & c -

20 Wednesday

A Gale of Wind in the night - N.W. - violent - clear in the day - Wind still high

Busy planting at Hendrefoilan the greater part of the day

21 Thursday

Bryn Newydd
Misty & thick - not much rain -
Planting at Hendrefoilan - & over to Sketty -

22 Friday
Thick & misty - mild - Wind W -
Town Council & Harbour meeting in the forenoon for letting the tolls & c - up to
the Works in the afternoon -

23 Saturday
A.M Thick overcast & threatening. P.M. rain. mild
To Swansea at 11 a.m. on business of I Thomas marr^e. settl^t. P.M. at Sketty -

24 Sunday
Dark & gloomy - Wind S.W - mild -
am I went to Sketty & c -
PM. D^o & called at Singleton with Bessie -

25 Monday
Bryn Newydd
a.m. heavy continuous rain. mild -
P.M. Wild & unsettled but not much rain -
a.m. over to Sketty -
P.M. up to Hendrefoilan with Bessie & the children -

26 Tuesday
Fine - - Wind W - mild -
Into Swansea after breakfast. then up to the Works. rode to Woodlands with
Bessie in the P.M. over to Sketty & c

27 Wednesday
Cold - bright & clear on the whole Wind N.W. high
I went up to Hendrefoilan after breakfast & then out shooting to Travelly -

28 Thursday
Sharp frost in the night - fine but cold all day
I went to Bridgend to the finance (county) Committee meeting - A party in the
evening dined with us to meet Arthur Berrington & his bride -

29 Friday
Fine -
a.m. over to Sketty & c - Bessie & the Children went over to the Xmas tree at
Penllergare - in the afternoon I rode over there with Mary

30 Saturday
Misty - threatening - dark - Mild -
Harbour Com^{ee} at 10½ a.m. then up to Landore to Sketty & Hendrefoilan in the
afternoon

31 Sunday
Mild.
Over to Sketty &c &c

[End of daily entries]

[Accounts]

January

Jan ^y 1	Red D Williams Hose	31.10			
To 7	Mrs D present	7.10	39	-	-
" 19	Recd of J Evans for				
to 31	aftergrass		8	-	-
			<u>£47</u>	-	-

Jan	Subs ^{ns}	5.4			
to					
" 7	Rents	70.16			
	Sundries	3.2.6			
	Houses - Rates &c &c	7.15			
	Mrs LD	<u>10</u>	96	17	6
" 7	House. Williams Book	5 ----			
to	Sundries	5. -. 6			
14	Henry -Parkwern acc ^t	16 -----			
	Hendrefoilan D ^a	<u>16</u> -----	42	-	6
15	Sundries	13.5.11			
to	Mrs L.D	32 -----			
31	House	<u>17.646</u>	3	5	

Exp^e in Jan^y **£185 1 5**

[February]

Feb ^y	Sundries	27.5.10			
1	House & c	145.18.9			
to	Mrs L Dillwyn	32 -----			
21	Henry for)				
	Hendrefoilan acct)	25 -----			
	D ^r Williams	15 -----			
	Mr Wilson	<u>26.7</u> ----	271	117	
12	Servt ^s Wages	4 -----			
to	House	5 -----			
28	Sundries	5. 19. 4			
	Cadwalladers bill	24. 7. 10			
	Mrs L Dillwyn	<u>13</u> -----	52	7	2

Sept^r 25. Thursday

Stormy & cold -

After breakfast I went to Woodlands to see D Edwards & then went in to Swansea with him - about 4 P.M I took a ride with Bessie -

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Sundries		81	9	2
House & c		9	14	9
Mrs L Dillwyn		58	--	--
Rents --		171	2	4
Charities -			2	6
Subscriptions				
	Zool. Soc ^y	3. -		
	Royal Inst ⁿ	1 - -		
	D ^o - Book club	<u>2-1-</u>	5	2
Loans ---			100	
For sundries to be repaid			<u>4</u>	<u>5</u> <u>6</u>
			<u>£470</u>	<u>15</u> <u>3</u>

185.1.5
323.18.9
470.15.3
1979.15.5

[*April - left hand page*]

J Rees for Rentals	224.17.11			
..?	96.17.5	321	15	4
Rect ^s of April		<u>£321</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>4</u>

£297. 5 --
32115. 4
£619. - 4

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Interest & Commission		139	11	10
Mrs L Dilwlyn		32		
Sundries --		26	2	2
Henry Bryn Newydd acct.		34	--	--
D ^o - Hendrefoilan "		40	--	--
House & c as follows				
	Williams Book	4 -		
	For Saddle & c	8. 3 -		
	Cheese	<u>13.2</u>	12	16 2
Education of Children			5	- -
Charities			<u>2</u>	<u>15</u>
Expenditure of April			<u>£292</u>	<u>5</u> <u>2</u>

979. 15. 5
292. 5. 2
£1272. --- 7

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Repayments of Sundries	5	1	6
Mrs D. Present	5	-	-
	<u>£10</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>

619. -. 4
 10. 1. 6 rec^{ts} in May
£629. 1. 10

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Mrs L Dillwyn	67	--	--
Charitable purposes		1	7 --
Sundries		43	2 9
Williams book -		5	-- --
Henry for Hendrefoilan account		30	-- --
Medical aid		<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
		<u>£148</u>	<u>11 9</u>

1272. -. 7
148. 11. 9 exp^y in May
£1420.12.4

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Loans & advances	100	6	6
Sundries	2	3	--
Dillwyn & C ^o	100	--	--
	<u>£202</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>

629. 1. 10
202. 9. 6 Rect^o in June
£831.11. 4

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Sundries	42	186	
Mrs LD- . Redmaynes bill 8.19.6			
Cash 50-----	58	19	6
Hotel bills & c	26	4	6
Houses as follows -			
Rolls & Hares act 2.15 -			
Henry - <u>10 ---</u>	12	15	--

Wages & Salaries as follows

Serv ^{ts} Wages	35.15 -			
Miss Davies salary	<u>23.15 -</u>	59	10	
<u>Loans & c -</u>				
Repaid to DeleBeche	100 --			
" Ex ^{ts} of Will of D Edwards	800 --			
Paid for parcel for Mrs E	<u>12</u>	900	12	--
<u>Subs^{rs}</u>				
Infirmary	5.5			
D & Dumb asylum	<u>1.1 --</u>			
		<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>--</u>
		<u>£11075</u>	<u>6</u>	

1420. 12.4
1107 5.6 Payments in June
£2527.17.10

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Dillwyn & C ^o		40	--	--
Rents to H. Griffiths		4	171	
Sundries				
Present for Mrs D		7	10	--
		<u>£52</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>

831. 11, 4
 52. 7. 1 Rec^{ts} in July
£883 18.5

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House & c.				
Henrys books.	14 ----			
Williams D ^o	5 -----			
E Williams bill	<u>2. 13</u>		21	13 --
Mrs L Dillwyn		53	14	7
Purchase of Horse		56	--	--
Wages & salaries				
Balsden	3. 2. 6			
Mr E. Davies. Tuition to Harry	10 -----	13	2	6
Rents.				
J Hill - Corporation rent		66	--	11
Loans & c rent money			<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
		<u>£210</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>6</u>
Sundries -		<u>20</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>6</u>

£231 10 --

2527. 17. 10

231.10

£2759.7.10

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Loans &c

1655 -- --

Sundries

5 --

£1655 5 --

883. 18.5

1655-5 --

£2539.3.5

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Sundries --

48 14 7

Bessie - for Journey 15 --

" house &c 20 --

35

-- --

Leases &c repaid 15 --

Lent Motley 30 --

45 -- --

Henry's books

60 -- --

Mr J Rees acct^t

104 18 10

Insurance on Gl. Pottery

4 10 --

Salaries &c

Mr E Davies for tuition to Harry

10 -- --

House & c

Blundells acct. during

Bessie's absence

21 19 4

Rates & dues -

3 8 6

£333 1 3

2759. 7. 10

333.11. 3

£3092.19.1

[September left hand page]

Sundries

5 --

Evans & Glasson

250 -- --

£250 5 --

2539. 3. 5

250.5 -

£2709.8.5

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House

Blundells book 9. 1. 3

Greene & Niner [?]	8. 3		12	4	3
Sundries			25	7	2
Mrs L Dillwyn			32	--	--
Wages & Salaries					
Serv ^{ts} Wages	35 -				
Miss Davies salary	23.15 -	58	15		
Farm & c Hendrefoilan -					
5 Heifers -			40	15	--
Regatta -			1	1	--
Henrys books			30	--	--
Rents -					
Arthur Jones for Bryn Newydd			60	--	--
			<u>£260</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>

3092.19.1

260 2. 5

3353. 1. 6

[October -left hand page]

£2789. 8. 5

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Sundries -			30	1	--
Mrs L D -					
Cash	62.14.6				
Redmaynes bill	<u>1.14.9</u>		64	9	3
Sal ^{rs} to Sailors Soc ^y			1	1	
House & - Williams book			5	--	--
Establishment -					
1 years hire of Carriage			50	--	--
Hendrefoilan exp ^y					
Harvey for Chimney piece	10.12				
Lucumbe & Price for trees & c	18.13.3		29	5	3
Wages & Salaries -					
Miss Davies for salary &					
Fare to London			16	17	5
Loans Advances & c					
LWDs Taxes			<u>14</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>
			<u>£217</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>

217. 6. 2 payments in Oct^r

3353.1.6

£3570.7.8

[November - left hand page]

Loans & Advances & c					
Repaid - for LWDs taxes			14	6	7
Mrs L Dillwyn			<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>--</u>

	<u>£1714 7</u>
Sundries - for Calf	2 10 --
2789. 8. 5	<u>£20 4 7</u>
<u>£2807. 3 -</u>	
2.10	
<u>£2809. 13 -</u>	

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Subscriptions -			
Patriotic fund -	20	--	--
Sundries -	31	10	10
Mrs L Dillwyn	54	3	--
Wags & Salaries			
Catherine & present	10	--	--
Henrys books -	<u>60</u>	--	--
	<u>£175 13</u>	<u>10</u>	

3570. 7. 8
175.13.10 Payments for Nov^r
£3746.1.6

[December - left hand page]

Sundries -			
Rec ^d for Cart Mare	<u>40</u>	--	--
	<u>£40</u>	--	--

2809. 13 --
40 rec^d this month
£2849.13.-

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Mrs L-D -	58	--	--
Wages & Salaries			
Servants	32	15	--
Sundries	2	5	--
Subs ^{rs}			
Ringers & Singers 3 -			
Sketty school <u>3</u>	6	--	--
Rents			
Corp ⁿ	70	16	--
Cahrities - for Sketty			
Per Mr Welby	<u>4</u>	--	--
	<u>£173 16</u>	<u>--</u>	

3746. 1. 6
173.16 - Paid this month -
£3939.17.6x

£3919.17.6 -

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