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1719

Friday 20 August 1779 ~

Conferred with M^r. A. McNeas - M^r.

B - & M^r. M - C, D^r. D - n,

M^r. Crombie M^r. Purinton -

Conversation - on Guns - The
cause of the recoil not sufficiently
understood - it was alleged that two
guns alike in every respect would
frequently recoil with different
forces - Position of the touch on
shown in the record - Why does
not the powder in splitting, rather
burst out at the muzzle as there
is less resistance on by 12 or 20
Inches of brush dust or small
stones rammed in - This M^r.
M - I think may be owing
to there being no recoil in the
rock - This seems very doubtful

It was asserted that a small quantity
of snow or clay in the mixture of
a piece would burst the piece —
That a rifled piece has little or no
recoil — That a worn barrel piece
invented by a Mr. Piton of this
country had little or no recoil —
That a quantity of powder is al-
ways thrown out unused — This
doubted — This kind of powder con-
tains — Short guns seem to throw
as far as longer ones — Shot
had thrown to a great distance
— What is the difference between
great and small powder and shot
Whether does a vessel filled
with great or small shot weight
most? or which of the two will
take most water to fill up its
pores? it was alleged by Mr.
Maxwell that a vessel filled
with some would receive more water

Then filled with shot lead or bullet
that large walls when broken small
are covered in bulk - 20 ^{Barrel} from in
the way made 21 to Mr. M - C
- that cut potatoes are more bulky
than when whole -

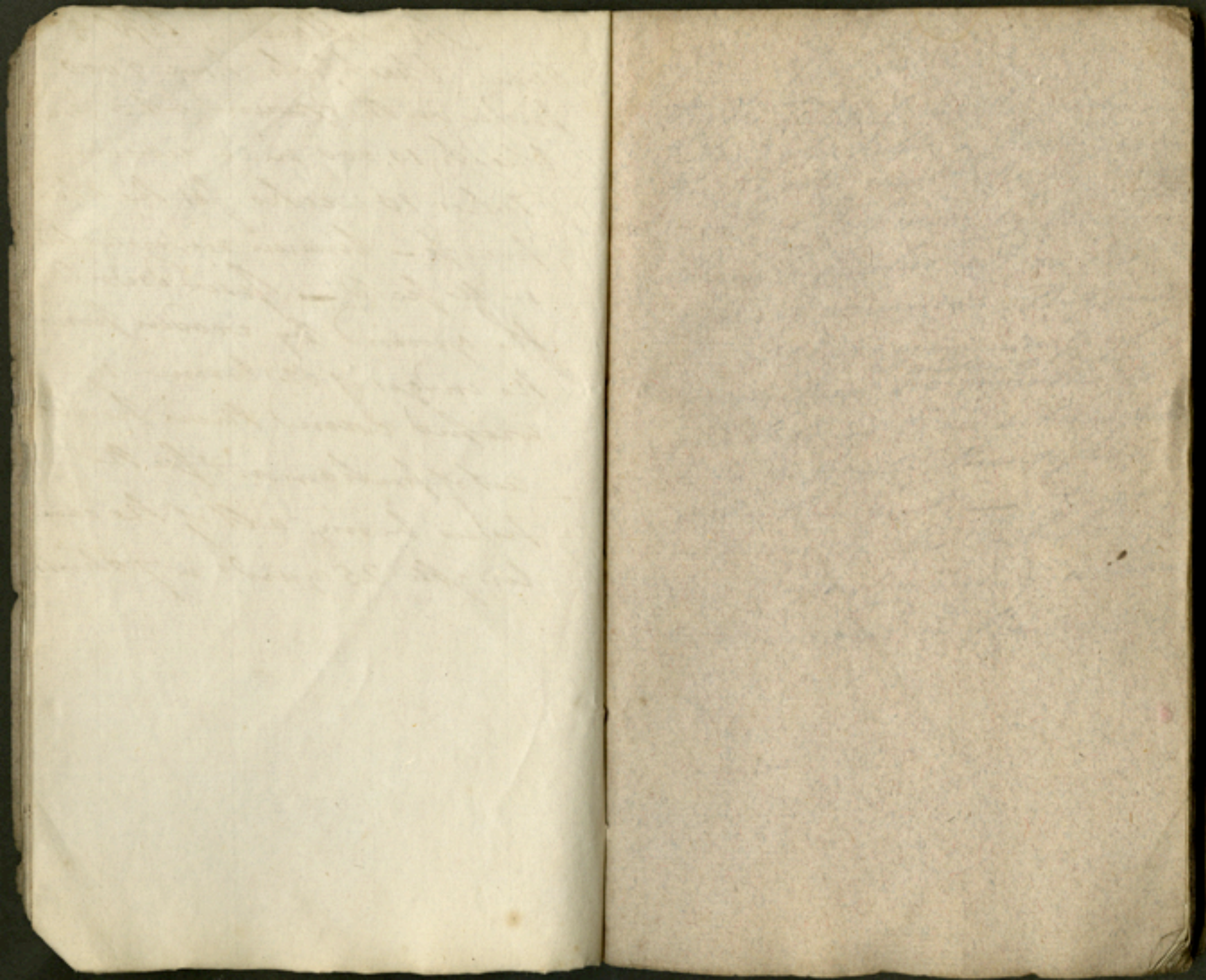
Brown towers are peculiar to
Ireland, from 30 to 500 feet high
Great resemblance between the
Irish language and the English
of Scotland, also between the Irish
and the old Punician - Punic
proper in Gauls said to be like
the old Irish - M. P. - is alleged
the Irish is like the Hebrew -
An old manuscript in the
University of Dublin wrote
backwards and forwards thus -

In the evening drank port with
Maff. L. - u and Ore - r -
Now, unless you not supposed
accounted for - should not
the more appear farther
and least when on the
Horn, on - J. D. - r
could not understand the
difference between Telescopy
and Microscopy - Asked
why the suppression being
Did not excite more words
and increase the portion
of happiness? -

Sunday 22^d Rode out to
Mr. Maxwell - converse
on the Irish and Scotch language
- the Scotch not content with
concord - A Scotch man never
gets the better of his temper
- and Irish man in dispute
soon gets quit of the bog -
Irish make good actors - the
Scotch do not - Mr. Dobbs
a curious character - drew
scribed sermons which he
afterwards would not read
- A shock to the best people
method of putting grain in
- A farm paper has to
5400 of corn - furnishes
surplus grain to the merchants
lands of the Decade -

met a number with branches
for a year - England is
double that of the Empire
are 10,000 parishes. In
France 24,000. In the Dioceses
of Lincoln are 1600 parishes
- They are the crest of the arms
of the Princes. Some the
eyes or signs -

Mr. Allan's - Sep. 5th
Some blackjacks have 2000
pieces on the ground at a time
about 10,000 in a season -
Take 10 weeks for the whole
crop - Linen never watered
in the field - Fixed down to
the ground by wooden pins
The ends of the linen is
washed even their heads
- cut off by hand for the
pieces being all of the same
length 25 yards = 7 shirtings



Belfast 23^d Dec.
By the test act every Dependent in
Ireland who holds a post under
His Majesty must take the oath
mint as Dispensed in the ^{Establishment} Church.
Many Dissenters sit in the
House of Commons. They evade
the act by government of
having them ^{at meetings of Parliament} six months, to
qualify. — This act is proposed
to be repealed this session
of Parliament. — It was
suspended in the rebellion for
five Dependants being allowed
to command in the army.

Belfast 23rd Oct.

Ireland does not produce above
 $\frac{2}{3}$ of the flax consumed in the
linen manufacture. The
rest is imported from Russia
&c —

Dublin on imports at
Belfast were before these
troubles broke out at a
medium 60,000 pounds
a year — chiefly in
rum sugar and tobacco —

Dublin Mr. Bred invents
a new method of tanning
leather — success —

Liverpool 11 Dec.

1779

A Mr. M. Clean watch maker
has invented a watch without
either chain or spring - it is
of a pretty large size - Spring
box makes but $9\frac{1}{2}$ revolutions
The ~~same~~ Spring arches does
not move with the going of
the watch - when she is
wound up - The proposed
method of stopping the reins
of wheels with hair like
of the shake - also the
spokes made of spirit
springs. This would be
very expensive - Mr. M.
Clean is making a watch
whose dial is only a
quarter of an inch - the hour

and minute are all duties
It will not be the former part
of the size of his Majesty's
ring watch -

Mr. Know watch maker in
Larne has engaged to make
two pair of pocket watches for the
court and the Lord Bishop
he is particularly of making
a watch to go in the head
of a cane by the expansion
and contraction of metals
by heat and cold - mechanics
both to wind up the watch.
A good mechanic can
turn motion into any
direction - Mr. Coe made
the rising and falling of the

not
June 11: to 12 Nov.

not
not
not

Nov 11. to 15 Nov.

thoroughly well up his side.
If any body when weighed
in water loses part of
its weight how does it
behave but with weight
as much in water as in
air? — Mr. Knox is an
advocate for being without
of perpendiculars — his
reasons — Gunner observes
that a ball does not go
so far on a level as on
an uneven surface — his
reasoning is a mistake in
estimating the distance

Oct
11. Lichburn — 18th

Bishop of Down a most
agreeable sensible Gentle-
man frequently with his
Lordship — Mr. Hall
Mr. Hall — Doctor
Fruit — His Lordship
a good deal of what
This reason for the same
minds being irregular
in all Languages —
observed that 3 feet of
breadth for one perpendi-
cular height is sufficient
for the bank of a canal
and the strongest Dykes
in Holland are not
above 5 to one —

11th ^{Oct} Last week 1830.
 Sweet at Memphis to view
 in the academy desk
 Mr. Hatcher's work
 subjects, properly disposed
 on by the middle one large
 than the rest. This his
 Lordship thinks with
 reason — By description

Mr. Jackson bridge the
 great plan — Mr. M'Clain
 a much better one — gave
 me a small model which
 answers very well — Also
 had from Mr. Clain 2
 puzzles, the solid being
 through 3 different holes
 and the piece with the
 two hollow to receive

with the ends - He is also
to make the Puzzing
rings - Mr. Dean has
brother in Dublin in the
customs - Mr. Kennedy
was London a gaily equid
sort of a man - paid a
guinea a week for board
and lodging -

Mr. Numb and family
attended the lectures - He
is very rich - Miss Numb
- Mr. Numb - Mr. Numb
Doctor Crawford a warm
friend - Doctor Irvine
Miss Manchester has
been in town from Canada
- she is well -

Lebanon
at
11 - 11 Nov
1791

Sept 11
11. 18. Nov.

Startling, signs of the
near an independent view
Old club meets every
evening about eight o
clock. Drink ^{with} for the
purpose of which you can
ascertain as their taste
as patriotism prevails
A side show is ready, at
a few minutes when
may be had Argyle
a paper, paper &c.
The conversation is free
the suspicion, obstinacy
weakness &c. of the
Club and Ministry,
The ^{religion} hypocrisy and political
depravity of the whole

The omnipotence of the
voluntary companies, and
the vast interest remaining
the Kingdom of Ireland, all
these have great just de-
merit in this case -

The President is chosen once
a month, ~~the~~ Members are
elected for shoyers but
none from the lower or an
middle. To please the chief -

In Ireland are two Regt:
companies commanded the 1st
by Capt. Stewart - 2nd. The
3rd by Capt. Benders -

Mr. James O'Connell is
a Lieutenant in the 1st Regt -
It amounts already to 120
The 2nd to about 60 or 70 -

Lublin

11 Oct. 18 Nov.

Nov 27

Nov 27

at New

Leicester Jun 11 to 18
 Have got a cart made by
 George Young who works for
 W. M. Ketchum in Belfast
 The cart cost 10. 10. - But!
 It does not contain the whole
 apparatus - the iron
 pan must be hired -

At Auburn they have
 instituted a private assembly
 very similar to the Belfast
 custom called the potluck
 I was invited one evening
 we danced two hours, supper
 at ten, and spent the remainder
 of the evening very agreeably
 to the songs &c. -
 Every lady pays 1. 6 every
 gentleman 2. for supper and
 music and a bottle of wine

for every 6 in company the
rest of the wine and spirits
is paid by the gentlemen -

The protest meets one a fortnight - My whole expense
that evening was 3/6. A
very President & Curator were
previding meeting - Members
admitted by ballot - The
Dublin Assembly is held
every fortnight on Thursday
evening, the protest and the
meeting alternately - The
Protest attends the Assembly
regularly and plays the
evening at cards. He is said
to be the best whist player
in the north of Ireland -
The Church Clergy all dance
- No monks walked at two

Assembly I attended. They
have introduced so much
of the parish expenses so
that no gentleman will
venture to dance a minute
in the old way. - When this
is proposed they all seem
to go on they don't seem
the new French tricks -

The Volunteers will give
meat every night about in the
Town-hall - In this
place are broad stones
round about 1 1/2 foot
above the ground where
the gun is placed -

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Newry 18th 1779 -

This morning set out from
Lisburn in a post chaise
with John for Newry - arrived
at Mrs. Milnes at 5 o'clock
- This Sunday was once
on the stage - she has a
most piercing voice - a
perfect witness - Dined next
day with Doctor Templeton
called in the evening on
Messrs. Moodies - ~~then~~
~~we~~ were sent for a carriage
belonging to Pet. Hamilton
Sergeant of the Fly and man
The land lord a plain
simple good natured
Protestant catholic. This
was a gentle sweet easy

Newry 18th Nov 1779
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From 18th Nov to 20th Dec.

woman just with children
in for a part but -
Delivered Mr Corrie
letter - He appeared
Dey, told me that nursing
was very scarce, he was
afraid I would not succeed
I told him it was
very true nursing as
he observed was very
scarce but I wished
to see the country and
get acquainted with
the good people of that
part of the Kingdom -
He asked me to break
fast next morning -
Mr Corrie is gentle

Sensible woman has
seen the world - her
opposite to Mr. Lewis
- Capt. Printed - the
Surveyor of the customs
a Gentleman who has
been long in the army
is well acquainted with
the - has the Purposes
of the market house
Printed Boat St.
on Castle Street.

Cause in Newry
about 30 Guineas -
Doctor Templeton a
most excellent Surgeon
and sensible gentleman
has the most powerful
Electrical Machine in

Newry
From 18th Nov. 20th
Newry
20th Dec - 1811

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over ten, a globe 22
Inch diameter gives
spaces without any
unductor gas, spaces
as large as from my
largest unductor
It is filled up according
to Duct. Permeability
last form, without
any which, it will
charge 32 square
feet in a minute -
The globe is heated
in an oven with one
ounce or two of salt
of tartar in it with
the moisture - The case
is put on when warm

and this method Doctor
Prestly thinks of great
use in increasing the Elms
— One thing very remarkable
about this Machine is
that the sparks from
my conductors were no
larger than from my
Machine — The Disch.
was also an air pump
the same as ours — with
an apparatus —

Newry is surrounded
by Fortified walls
from one of the towers
is Ireland — It is the
property of Mr. Wickham
It has neither Mayor

From 15th Nov. to 26th
Newry
From 19th Dec. to 20th

From 18th Nov. to 20th
Newry

and my Mr. Maguire
The Election has pro-
duced several results -
none of them great
The Mr. Currie
agents for Mr. Nichol
- Only one party attend-
ed our course -
Mr. Cowan - Mr.
Currie - a vote in New
and to win - Mr.
Cowan - Mr. Poter
- Counselor Poter
not in Newry - Capt
to meet with him in
Dublin - Mr. Nichol
more told us next day
after our app. was in the

Dec 10. 1841
New York
From 10 to 20 Dec.

Mr. Coan interrupted me
when by asking a question
about printed conduct,
and Mr. Ashmore by
desiring me to put
water on the thunder
bowl its upper part
none of these by words
were unphased with
and neither of
gave a question in which
that I would not answer
any question about my
the lecture - after
this I was no longer
troubled with questions

Newry is built on a
narrow point - the streets
narrow and dirty - a
very strong market
was Thursday - a large
market on Friday and
Saturday - Tuesday the
hay and Saturday the
great market - I was
wight of the people one
from a collection -

Proving matches in
the evenings of the week -
Friday - I drink
has a strong spirit
the Irish - The lower
people when drunk

Newry was
from 18: to 20 Dec.
1841

Adelphi of the power
Newy
From 15th to 20th Dec?

an universal the superior
to general - Distant
swears - by God by the
cup be - from aq. color
here may be known
by their face - I
me about 300 Coler
ans they perform man
canon but indifferently
Capt. Bristol has one
of the compasses -

Don't die! - It's mighty
pretty! sweet! for the
love of god! or she married!
- Heavenly Father how
many bullets - by my
throat! By the holy saint
Patrick! By the holy
Father, Son and holy Ghost!

Newry has an excellent
Canal which extends from
about two miles below
Newry to Loch Neangh
about miles. The canal
is always kept clear of the
river, a ~~very~~ necessary
precaution and the neglect
of which has rendered the
Belfast canal so expensive
and so troublesome. This
canal from Belfast to Lurg
although only miles
has already cost upwards
of 70,000 pounds —
The newry canal extends
miles and will
This canal opens a com.

Newry
From 18th Nov. to 20th Dec.
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From 18 to 20 Oct.
Newry was

between the first channel
and 5 weeks, the county
of Down. Amongst Antrim
Down and Tyrone. This
canal gives Newry the advantage
over Belfast though the
latter is situated nearer the
above counties except Antrim.
This canal was first planned
by

It was begun in the year
and finished in

result of. Tons can
go per ton and to and
Carriage rates compared
to land carriage —

Newry is famous for Oysters
brought from Carlisle and a
little town situated at the
mouth of Carlingford. Both
They have a delicious flavour
and both Ladies and Gentlemen
here are dieters at opening
them, they are more frequently
eaten raw than any other
way - but Oysters in
taverns sold at the time
Died -

- X History of Newry
- X Its position & privileges

Newry no
From 18: to 26 Dec?

From the
New York


Newry 15 Nov to 20 Oct.
An eclipse of the moon
saw it - My shout it is
all over with us now. The
French won't hear a single
word about it. Don't you see
how the moon is struck
with blood - I had not
the feathers time in
order to excite in the
lung & side - No good
schools in Newry - Mr.
Stoan teaches the Gram-
mar - a curious crooked
violent patriot - A
Mr. Livingston just came
from Belfast to teach
writing - Patronized by
Duncan Smith whom
I met with here a drunk.

My 18 Nov 20 Oct?
a few suggests of friends
Mr. Bullworth has a mess
Doubt a more painter -
Doubt him he can write
none - I do my family
off hand - write bring
me paper pen and ink
- He wrote the word Pen
man's - Did you ever
see Bullworth (Do any
thing like that we be
God - God damn it
God can turn these
large letters as he please
He and I had a heart
laugh at Bull's trick &
He is a man who
Doubt him he stole the
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I never had two thousand
at once in my life, and
yet they are all the
best of their kind -
I wonder Mr. South
has his Majesty had
not sent for you to have
his own - I am not
in London when the
first volume of works
sent his Majesty - but
his Majesty ordered one
of his pages to attend
me. He says he is to
bring it back and to
see it.

Champion and the wings
were me - Let me see his
specimen - Be God that
is upper plate - Copper -
plate to be sure - and
see the paper that upon
you a man of sense for
write - I assure him it
was write - Well it may
be write but damn it
is it not very hard that
a man should have his
piece stole from? There is
my My God I am mad

Do you carry this as
a pocket part to knock
down every body - I say
it is an impertinence on
the publick - I would not
love it! 

In every thing they are
less than three assemblies
over to prohibit two of
the parties are just now
joining - They have a
club called the snugg -
where the cat o'ypstus are
sup regularly, they meet
once a week -

There are here one Church
one Dispensary, Medicine
house besides shops

The Church people and
the Dispensary have an
a most intimate feeling
Mr. S. is the Church
clergyman is but of an
inferior character -

Newry 15 Nov to 26 Dec 79

State of the Markets

Beef

Mutton

Pork

Meat

Butter

Cheese

Eggs

Timber & Fuel

11th mo
Preface in
October 1779 in