

Journal

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6 - Oct.

1790

Calcutta

Calcutta 1790

Saturday 6 October

Mr. with Mr. Taitie - Surgeon
brought his action against Sub
& Bedington for false imprisonment
Maine was sailed -

- River speaks - sort of Cash. French
treasury empty -

+ News yesterday unconfirmed
was the Frigate now overland packet
have arrived -

- Three Northern powers arming to
protect their trade - Emperor of
Prussia planning some
secret alliance - so much for
common report -

Mr. Edie called with a copy
of a letter to D. Morsington's
private secretary, respecting his
salt making plan. I thank and
told him that I thought his letter
much too long and too particular
for a Council where so much busi-
ness must be transacted — like
other schemes M. E. is too sanguine
and I fear will be disappointed in
the issue —

— This morning weather very fine
perfectly clear — little wind —
— Sent Mr. Spalding from Sydney

12. A Thunder storm — several
low tides — nearest = 4" —
heavy shower, did not last —

+ with Dr. Dick —

Mr. Rhider lately arrived from
England — saw Lord Macarty
at the Cape — Maxwell Bar-
tholomew L. M. will not return
to England till June —
Give an account of the manner
of living of several Gentlemen
from India — Sir George Staunton
History of the Embassy —
Table Clock — striking omission
— being not so high according
to Mr. R. — account — as for
some others

Sunday 7th Feb 1798
Very fine morning - not a cloud
in the sky -

$7\frac{1}{2}$ a.m. Therm ——— 00°
Winds of S.W. ——— 9 m —
Wind East ^{by} little — pleasant,
cool -

The rains are now fairly over-
cast perhaps, now and then a
shower, during this month or till
about the 20th -

+ It is remarkable that the monsoon
and consequently bad weather should
set in at Madras ~~at~~ the same time
that the fine weather commences at
Calcutta and Bombay -

Breakfasted with Capⁿ Cox
introduced Mr. Baine to the Capⁿ:
Capⁿ C. gives but little encourage-
ment to Mr. B. on the Duple plan
- no office in Calcutta with us
while at Regu - instability of Gov^t.
+ Gen^l F. Fortescue and Mr. Belli
called -

The Gen^l says that only one
floating battery or raft was ever
shutted, and that on Dry land.

It was soon taken to piece from
a conviction that it would not
answer -

- Capⁿ C. thinks it will be a policy
of the French to not attempt an
invasion of England -

- There is a small black seed
which prevents worms attacking
books - given its name? -

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12 New — 04
Hygⁿ — 21 M

Vertical clouds - Thunder at
a distance - Sultry - W. Est.

- rain but much less than on
the two preceding days, tho'
nearly at the same time -

+ with Mr. Th - + -
sent the small air pump to Mr.
to be repaired -

+ In all the & Regu drawings there
is not the least shade introduced.
The same in the Chinese -

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Monday 8 Oct^r 1798 -

Most beautiful morning -

9 a.m. Ther. - - - 07

Hygⁿ - - - 19 Dry

cloudless sky - gentle breeze
wind East - - -

- Sent V. Mente an answer to
his queries respecting the account
on board the *Flamsteed* as described
by Sir George Staunton in his acc^t.
of Lord Macartney's Embassy to
China -

- Visit of Mr. B - y. he expects me
to get one of the *Flamsteed* books
of the old system which he
deals with then expects him to
publish a second and concluding
paper in the antiquity of the
Flamsteed Chron. and Astronomy -

- a little cloudy at 12 o'clock
but no rain - at 3 quite clear
+ with Mr. Taylor - Messrs. Probert
and Baillie - Mr. H. called
after dinner -

- when the loss can may be used,
with safety in fencing -

- Story of L. - and the picture
readily behind a tree - Landscape

- Ditto of the first man who wanted
a picture of his brother - in the
county of Tipperary - we see
him now - or any like him -

th 1790
Tuesday 9 Oct -

most beautiful morning - cloudy
sky - wind north - little

+ with Mr. Fairlie - name
for the ship to be purchased
to-morrow - read a Highland

- Fingal - who wants me! -
Chapman -

1790th

Wednesday 10 Oct

Visit from Mr. Colbrooke -

A thinks this a bad season to go up the country, on the acctⁿ

of the marching of the troops in the different reliefs - Reading

Book - carried home my reflecting telescope to try -

D. Puffest called on Mr. Puffest's Chronomet. Dictionary -

+ at 12 went to see the house for. Brown and Co

at 1^{1/2} p.m. the ship, named by Mr. Fairbairn, the Highland Chief -

went off beautifully -

+ Dined with Mr. Wilkin Lanchester about 60 present -

- A letter from Mr. Spence - Madras

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Thursday 11 Oct - 1790

Morning fine - thin flaky clouds at 10 a.m. - at 3^{1/2} p.m. much overcast, blew hard to east,

at 3^{3/4} a heavy rain with thunder + went to Mr. Spence enquiring him

what I had paid in to Messrs. G. & Co 100 N. P. = 101. 11. 7 -

+ with D. Munn - Messrs. Harrington, Colbrooke, Cosmington, Gray

Capt. Colbrooke, D. D. Lowing - Mr. Hunt, Mr. Kippel junior - Capt. Cox - Capt. Humphrey

- Mr. Col. enquired respecting the correction of the lunar observation, says he is constructing a map of India -

+ Sister Society - some ipse
friction - whether proxy votes
should be admitted in the Society
put and negatived -
- Proceeded to the election of Vice-
Presidents and Committee of paper
all the forms - recd.

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Friday 12 Oct. 1798

Sent an apology to Mr B -
for my remarks &c. - recd. a
most friendly and polite answer -

+ With Mr. Baillie -

Bromley's letter to Copley -

The cartoons are not oil paintings
but simply drawings intended
for as patterns for papering. There
were 10 in all, of which seven
are in England -

1790
Saturday 13th Oct.

- Visit from Mr. Duncan -
- Plate to be sold - Miss's piece
of Corning
- Visit from Capt. J. J. J. J.
looked at many instruments
- Called on Mr. Spalding -
was detained 2 hours by
a very heavy rain - telescope
+ with that built -

Sunday 14th Oct 1790

- Mr. Drummond called and left
one of his old Journals with me
referring me particularly to a
lunar observation and his method
of working it - The common method
made - and to two or three sketches
of the appearance of land at the Cape
- Simon called - ordered him two G. M.
- Visit from Dr. Hunter - Latin
letter -
- + with Mr. Baillie -
- The book ground and every
object in the picture should
harmonize with the principal
figure in colour &c -

Monday 15th Oct^r 1790.

Visit from Capt^r Janet - looked
at many things - purchased no-
thing -

- Mr. Macdonald called - bought Gargath
Gargathes - invited to dinner on
Wednesday next -

+ with Mr. Warrington -

Party of Six

J. F. said that if he had under-
stood that the office of Vice President
had been to be only an adjunct he
would not have accepted it!! -

1790
Tuesday 16 Oct^r

wrote to Mr. Harris respecting
Murray's debt to me -

- Mr. Colbrooke returned the
respective telescope -

+ with Mr. Fairbairn &
Gargath Est. - Fitzgibbon taken
wounded in the scuffle -

- Sir E. Crosby Bart. convicted
of high treason and executed

- A battle between the Royal
and Rebel army -

- Emperor of Russia's procla-
mation declares his intention
of supporting the commerce
of his subjects both by sea
and land - fitting out 22
ships of the line -

Calcutta
Wednesday 17th 1790
An order for books from Mr.
Pearson - to Mr. Spalding -
visit to Beaumont - called on
Thomson about the clock case -
Returned to Mr. B. - Discovered
a silly performance -
+ with Mr. Macdonald -

Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Otto Klemm
two other Gent^l

- called at Mr. B. - in
the evening - found Mess^{rs}
A - and F. -

Thursday 18th - Oct^r 1790
Wrote to Cap^t. Colchook enclosed
my formulae for the longitude
fixed up - also the ^{new} record in
of 22 lunar sights taken at
the N. Observatory - Mr. C.
in his answer observes that several
places had been settled by Rubin
Barrow, and no doubt with suffi-
cient accuracy - that lat. by Col.
Pearce and Bondersby by the Gend^l
he considered as sufficiently accu-
rate -
+ with Mr. Thibault - Mr. B. +
talks much of the great success
of the weather business -
- Mr. Duncan in the evening

Friday 19th Oct. 1790

Have let part of my house
to Mr. Watling, he to pay half the
rent —

+ with Mr. Abbot — Capt. Hammond

— Composition of spirit glass —

— It is alledged that Gold cannot be
burned into earthen ware — This
was said to be owing to its being
impossible to calcine Gold —

+ query in what state is a metal
when it enters as a colouring

+ Story of Dunge Ma's refusing to
leave the Rajah's house — March
Down — after the Prisoner had been
fed some days longer, the Soldiers
were rans and carried out with the
quickest ease —

Saturday 20th Oct.

Put part of Mr. W., furniture
the remainder on Monday —

— This moment have learned that
Sturstrong is on board the ^{East} Flywell
now in the river —

— wrote to Mr. Lambert requesting
him for spirit of wine —
He offers to get some drawn off must
above proof —

+ a puff of wind springs up
every day between eleven and
twelve —

— composed 10 fathoms of rope
as strong as it can be drawn, from
the Still —

— Purchased below reflecting tele-
scope price two £. 10 shillings —

1790
Sunday 21 Oct

Last night a Thunder Storm
with a very heavy rain from
11 to 12 nearest part 9" —

⁴ 0 a.m. this M^o Ther 00
Sensation cold — Cloudy wind
northerly —

⁴ Breakfast with Mr. Fairlie
Mr. Ponce Gov. of Bombay is
said to have made every enquiry
respecting the English Fleet's having
attacked that of the French at
Alexandria — He thinks the
reports deserve credit —

— A walk to the China Bazaar
bought two straw hats 10s
Clothes — box station — B. A. come
round in an American ship —

Called at B-; — present of Chew
— A letter from Harris referring
me to Mr. Jacobi for pay. of my
Command on the estate of Minnie
+ with Mr. Fairlie —

Zimmerman ship, it is reported
is actually on his way to
Hindostan —

— The American ship mentioned
in the last page arrived here
yesterday from Madras —

+ It would appear from the
present posture of affairs in
India that some kind of plan
has been concerted between the
French, Zemi Shaw and Tippus
and yet what prospect can the
French have of marching to

India. with all their Refor-
med, modern and, they are not
maudlinous, nor is Buonaparte
Alexandra —

+ An insurrection, if it does not
entirely subvert, always tends
to strengthen a government —

+ Took in the Calcutta Courier
which I propose to continue —

+ Capt. — of his Majesty's
Ship. During a few
days ago with Sir J. A. —
The Capt. observed Lady A. —
European maid going up stairs
in the event. He took an
oppo. of following her — She
went in to her Mistress B. —
The Capt. followed — Knew her
on the bed and had great
satisfaction when Lady A. entered!!

Monday 22 Oct. 1790

Mr D. breakfasted with me
— 10 a.m. Ther. — 81°

Hyg. Ad: — 27 m.

Cloudy — high wind — Easterly —

11. Thunder Storm —

12" — Very heavy rain — Claps
of thunder much varied — Rolling
sound —

— Visit from Mr. Upjohn —

Mr. C-x is going to Europe

— Recd. a number of Mr. Franklin
rum —

— The wall shades put up in
the Hall — 8 x 10 number

— I expect Mr. D. & Mr. W. —
this evening —

+ with W. B. Smith - after
Dinner W. T. called

A young Gent: observed
Mr. Colbrooke labouring with
his buggy horse, observed
the W. C. - might understand
Sanskrit and other learned
languages, but he certainly
knew little of ^{Vari} ~~Vagary~~ -

- Sir John Anshutt has
signified his intention of
ordering the court to meet at
noon in the morning - Mr. B.
did every thing in his power
to persuade the Chief Justice
that it was too early an hour!
Sir John it is said persisted
- Mr. B. seldom gets out of bed before
9 or sometime 10 o'clock - Cards!!

- A Mr. is said to have
abolished the circuit courts
and thereby saved to the company
£5000 -

- Mr. A. is said to be vi-
olent and frivolous - not like
- certainly not by those whom
he has deposed of his place -
- It is alleged that should
a war with any of the Malen
powers take place, he would
find it difficult to borrow
money -

- A new court house it is said,
is also to be built -
- There would it not have
been more consistent with
that economy which the
Court of Directors ~~observed~~ ^{recommended} in
all the dispatches to His

Government, to postpone their
expensive buildings till the
Treasury gets a little easier
than at present.

Monday 23 Oct. 1798

M^r W and Mrs. Furness
bought 15 lbs of Sugar Candy
- Visit from M^r H - & Cap
E - c
Engaged to dine with M^r H -
to morrow

+ It is reported that certain in-
formation is arrived of the Destruction
of the French Fleet at Alexandria
by the English and Venetian
Fleet - It is said L^d Mornay
sent notice to Banks half an
hour ago -

+ Among the Deaths in this
Days paper is that of D^r Hugh
Gibbon, Physician General to
Lord M^r Embassy to China
and Ch^g General to his Majesty's

Army at the Cape!!—
+ with M. Th—1 —
— Gazette Extraordinary
mentioning two different
letters received at Bombay
confirming the account of
the Destruction of the French
Fleet at Madagascar —
Doubt seems doubtful as
the intelligence — It seems
however, at least, extremely
probable — If true we must
have accounts over land by
Bassorah very soon —
Suppose the news should
prove true, what will be the
consequence? I think the French
army must either attempt its
passage to India, or withdraw

along the coasts of the Med.
In either case the Portuguese
seem insusceptible — It is
probable that the plague may
be introduced by the Arabs into
the French Army, with a
climate new to Europeans
would soon destroy the invading
Army, what have the Egyptians
done to merit this treatment
from the French? That
haughty Republick approach
to its termination — —
A Russian fleet of 12 Ships of
the line is said to have sailed
from the Black sea to join
the English fleet — I am would
it not be prudent to send some
men of war to the Straits of Babul-
mandel and to the Gulf of Persia

There may possibly be a scheme
of opportunity concerted between the French army
in Egypt and the Island of Man-
rissur, the latter to send transports
and men of war into the red sea
to receive and convey the French
Army to Mangalore —

1798
Wednesday 24 Feb

D. Wunker called about a
compound microscope - to
give him a description and
the price of all the Microscop.
in my possession, to morrow -
- Presented my small Ruby
ring to Mrs W-g -
- Small Cask of rum contain
only 41 bottles -
+ with Mrs W-g - (Cap.
Howard - Elmore and two
other Gentlemen -
- A fine exhibition of Lows
& Life above Stairs -

1790
Thursday 25 Oct

- Sent to Mr. Spalding

Newton's pen: 16

Sawderson's Alg.^a 5

Visit from Mr. G. T.H. 31

He drinks tea with us in
the evening -

He shows the Account of the
Luminous Chest and
Compound Microscope -

+ both at home -
Evening Mr. G. (see Copy)
Elmer called - Several op-
tical experiments -

Friday 26 Oct 1798

Sold to Mr. Russell Char-
cop: Chirurgie and Trugel's
essay on Rupture —

+ with Mr. Baillie — Mr.
Taylor — Frank's birth day
— Annals of Sir W. Jones and
the Budgerow —

+ Most of this day contains some
2nd articles not formerly pub-
lished — Revolution at the Negroes
more particularly account of L,
Edward Fitzgibbon —

+ Evening at Mr. N-y's —
Dancing — Left the camp
in the hour —

Saturday 27 Oct 1798

Visit to Capⁿ Carnegy
and Mr. G. Tap — The latter is
coming to learn Navigation
— Government intends to fit
out some armed ships to
cruise in the Red Sea against
the French Troops now in
Egypt —

— Visit from Mr. N-y, The
sat up all night, writing
Letters!! —

— with Mr. Bush — Messrs
Cummings — Taylor — King and his
brother

+ Fog came on very suddenly
low — guess the cause of the
winter Fogs in Calcutta —

M. C. - Character of M.
B. - unjust and if it were,
true, ungenerous. —

~~Sunday~~ 28th Febr^r —
Planning some additions to the
optical chest - transparencies —
+ with M. Baillie —
x was engaged to dine to-
morrow with Mr. Harington, but
sent the following list —

" Just as I was entering my
" parlour to set out for you
" Domicil, I was attacked by
" two hungry Caldonians who
" insisted and I think, truly, that
" they had some 2 miles to break-
" fast with me, adding, the words
" Eggs, tongue &c, and other mono-
" syllables of the like import.
" I attempted to defend my
" self on both by system but in
" vain, they soon convinced me &c

Monday 29th Oct. 1798

+ with Mr. Harrington -

Messrs. Read, Bird, Foster and
Munroe took to Surgeon Major
of the ship *Undersden* -

+ Messrs. Ockon and Lieut. Oudon
called - The latter from Bencool
an acquaintance and seems
to propose the same Company with
Mr. C. Campbell - Says
Mr. Campbell has collected a
great many rare plants from
the interior parts of the Island
has been farther than any
other European &c -

of Mr. Carnegy and Mr. Gledits
his ship in Malacca -

Tuesday 30th Oct. 1798

Capt. G. and Mr. Gledits second
Lapon in the *Union* &c -

Capt. Scott and Capt. Burch
called with them - They

brought me a sample -

+ with Mr. Ockon - Messrs.
Oudon, Baithin and Sergeant -
Mr. C. frequently refuses to obey
the commands of the Gov. &
Council of Bencoolon. -

Calcutta

Wednesday 31 Oct 1798

This morn^g (and not yesterday as
as mentioned in the former page)
Capt. C. and Mr. G. had Mess
2 before in the Lunars —

Robert Armstrong arrived
from Madras on the Walpole
+ with Mr. M. John — Capt
(Dawson and) just from
London — Capt. Cook a
note of the error in the D.
made —

+ Ad. Boscawen's army announcing
the defeat of the French Fleet
off Rochelle 20 miles from Ales
by Ad. Nelson — 9 French Ships
taken, the Adm: and another blown
up — only two escaped —

Nov.

Thursday 1 Nov 1798

Called at Dmy's and Melville's
Prison, still unsold —
Coffee house — Saw Mr. Brig:
of the Army —
+ with Mr. Fairfax —

A report prevails that a
Letter from Bucharest to
the French Directory has been
intercepted which contains
intimates that he had met
with much greater Success
in Egypt than he had expected
and also contains his future
movements — It is said that
the Genl. Despatches by Sir
H. Nelson contains Despatches
to Admiral Boscawen as well
as the Government —

+ Asiatic Society in the Even.
- a model of the Persian
burying ground -
A circular wall feet in D
and feet high - a
platform of stone sloping
gradually to a round hole
in the center - This plat-
form consists of three cir-
cular rows of niches decreasing
in size from the circumference to
the hole in the center, in or-
der to accommodate bodies
of different sizes - The niches
are about one foot deep, all
the three are on the same
radius, and each has its own
gutter of 6 or 8 inches in breadth
to carry the fluid matter into

the earth hole, without mixing
with the others - A little
building, resembling a temple
was placed in the hole of
the center, but not such
building is seen to be in
any of those about Bombay
The intention is that the
corpse naked shall be
deposited by Vulcan and other
birds -
+ A proclamation for im-
bodying the Militia -
The nation will probably
be alarmed, and will probably
be backward in lending money
to Government -

2 Nov.

Friday 2 Oct^r 1798
Saw Mr. Glass his 3^d Lef^t
in the Roman -
Armstrong employed in clearing
the apparatus -
- called at Lane and W. L.
look at some articles - call
lead - on Mr. Spalding
on French politics -
- Squabble between Larkins
and Gillet - respecting Lam-
bert's new ships -
- Militia called out it is said
on account of the great num-
ber of French men and other
foreigners now residing in Cal-
cotta -
+ Ticket not drawn -
10.000 Rupees to Mr. Gowar -

+ with Mr. Brown -
Mr. Barr and Mr. Murphy
I hear this morning heard
some particular facts in the
history of M. W. - which are
extremely disagreeable -
- The same account nearly was
given by Mr. B. - I
I must inquire into the
matter, and act accordingly
- Moffat's views reprobated -
He is said to be going on with
something similar. He had
better stick to caricatures -
+ The King and earrings which
I shew'd to Mr. Spalding was
returned by him at two of
Mohurs - She said they cost
her nine Shill. - where did she
buy them? !!

1790
Nov.

Saturday 3, Oct.

In morning - walk
up the Durumtulla -
- B at home - conversation
respecting the Militia -
Mr W - says Mr W - can give
a very good acct. of him self -
- I have now determined to
teach on the terms of two
Q. Moham of month -

4 - 1	Thur:	—	75
0 2	Nygf. A.	—	20 M.
H	Thur:	—	70
12	Nygf. A.	—	7 M.
H	Thur:	—	01
3 1/2	Nygf. A.	—	11 1/2 8/4

+ with Mr. Baillie - Mr. Butler
- Lord Mornington says in his
proclamation respecting the Militia
that he depends on the loyalty
&c. of the Inhabitants, and after-
wards, he directs and orders &c -
There is a certain haughty decent
tone of expression in way publi-
cation of this young Gov. Gen.
+ I have begun Hurry March
on the new terms of two
Gold Moham of month, three
times in the week -

Calcutta

th NN.

Sunday 4th Feb 1790

H. Ther. ————— 74°
Hyg. A ————— 14 Dry.

Sensation cold - wind North.

A. G. Crawford of Lisburn flogged -

discovered six pieces of Cannon
was to be flogged on Sunday
for Gun powder - The Dr.
broughty spirit would ill brook
this treatment.

The plan of flogging adopted
in Ireland has been productive
of many important Discoveries
arms, Gun powder &c -

H. 1 1/2 p.m. Ther. ————— 70°
Hyg. A ————— 16 Dry

wind N. breeze -

Monday 5 Nov. 1798

3 Leps to Mr. Glop —

with Mr. Taylor — no company
yesterday — a Mr. C. shot him-
self, in Sweny's billiard room —
+ The Natives are alarmed at the
proclamation for cutting out the
Militia — It is reported that
many are moving their posts
up the country, but an order
it is said has been issued to
prevent them —

+ The French officers in the Nizam
Service, have all been arrested
in consequence of the discovery
of a correspondence with the
Mauritius and Tippoo —
They are coming to Bengal
on the Bombay frigate

Tuesday 6 Nov 1798

9 a.m. Thu
Hydr. A.

74
0 Dry

— Visit from Mr. McCullum —
He wants a man to superintend
a coffee plantation. at
— Mr. Peron commanded 6000
men in the Nizam's Service
all natives who are now com-
manded by 7 English Officers —
— Fortune telling — Mr. W. — 9

12 Thu

Hydr. A.

77
5½ Dry

+ with Mr. Fairlie —

Capt. Robertson of the Berwick
Dismantled Nelson cut the French
line at Ancho in two

1798
Wednesday 7 Oct
attended on the Respondants
walks at the enrolment of
the militia - did not give in
my name - Both Cavalry
and Infantry - A considerable
number offered -

+ Mr. Gaspis to Lisbon -

Henry Maubin attended

- Mr. Mbot - Capt. Ramsden

+ Monkey and Crows -

+ Cook and Kite - chickens

- Noah's ark - a Toy -

+ Eclipse of the sun to morrow
said to be about seen in the
morning -

- Lion monkey of Rio Janeiro -

This morning. Mr. W. - Deau
of the ten gallon Cask of rum
the gave two large Thompson
specimens to the Praterians, made
them quite happy -

+ Mr. Macnabb called in
the evening - He supposes
from a rough calculation
that about 1200 names have
been - The Praterians are con-
necting this money and God
will find much difficulty in
concocting -

Thursday 8th Oct 1798

This morning the Ammunition
mustered for the Militia
it is said about 150 -

- Sent Lieut. Audson back to
the amt. of 10 Rapiers, which he
said he would return by the
bearer - Did not -

with Mr. Bartlett - Mr.
Robinson -

- Mr. Crocker of Belton's memory
was two years ago, an actor
on the ^{new} York Stage -

- Report says that Admiral
Nelson has captured and
destroyed 200 transports, carrying
troops

Friday 9th Oct 1798

went to the Parade and
gave in my name to Capt.
Grafton, also Ammunition -

8th a.m. Mon. ——— 75
My q. a. ——— 70th M

+ Morning Report as usual
moist - drizzling

+ at home - Messrs. Drummond
and Dunlop called in the
evening -

+ Cloudy all day - air very
moist - drizzling rain -

+ Capt. Cannon brings on a
case in a week or two, of
a peculiar nature - He pro-
cures the company for selling
to him bad opium -

Saturday 10th Nov

- Morning visits - Proboscis -
Mr. Fairlie - Exchange Coffee Room
- Report of Nations having taken
6 Ships of the line, and 240
barracks conveying troops
to reinforce Buenos Ayres -
- Capt. Conroy reports "Sail with
the Charlotte about the middle
of Jan." or with the 1st Fleet
+ with Mr. Fairlie -
- L. Cornwallis had but little
victory on the Colonne
during last war,
He saw that on an attack,
being made on Colonne all
the Europeans would run to the Fort

Sunday 11th Nov 1790

- B with Mr. M^r Cullum Great
content of his own raising
the beam are considerably smaller
but much heavier than that
from Arabia -
- Determined on a Philo-
sophical exhibition -
- Mr. Deane called and paid
21 Rupees for Lieut. Owen -
- The writing and speaking
papers and Optical Exhibitions
to be got ready as soon as
possible. -
- A Gent. and lady called
to see with Mr. W^r -
- I. Do morrow -
- + at home -

Calcutta —

Monday 12 Nov. 1790

Fine settled morning —

8th a.m. Ther. 72°

Nyct. A. — — — 1 dry

Sensation - cold —

Begin to plan and prepare
for the Philosophical Exhi-
bition —

+ with Mr. Maudonah —

Mr. & Mrs. L. — +. De Mo

Keuning's — Mr. Colver —

La. — Mrs. J. —

Tuesday 13th Nov 1790

9th Ther. — — — 71st
9th Nyct. A. — — — 1 dry

Sensation cold —

+ Lounge at Dimes and Fallow

Large concave mirror broken —

+ with Mr. Belli — Mess^{rs} with

Logan read Spalding and the
young's Ep. — Poetic

+ Mr. B. read a translation of

L. Mornington's Latin poem

a better one I think than

Lord Morpeth's —

+ Report says that the military

whom is to be given up —

Natives are much alarmed.

1790

Wednesday 14 Nov.

$8\frac{1}{2}$ a.m. Ther — 70°
 Hyg. A. — 27 Du

clear — sun^r cold —

- A visit from Mr. Belli -
- an apology for dining abroad.
- Mr. Mendant - wants Bonaparte - cannot part with it.
- On the Expedition to Egypt should Bonaparte find his way to India he might properly find in that part a sufficient number of Arab vessels to transport his army to India -
- with Mr. Wing -
- went to see the transparency at the New Exchange ~~off~~
- The Ensign, Apollo &c -

Calcutta 1790

Thursday 15 Nov.

4 a.m. Ther — 71°
 Hyg. A. — 27 Du

overclouded sky - sun^r cold -

- + last night tried an experiment on the Delincator - to view to view the Chart transparently. The sun and water appeared to great advantage - by the spoke object ~~at~~ quite otherwise -

- Red print for D. Smith

4
 + 5 p.m. Ther — 77°
 Hyg. A. — 25 Du

- + with Mr. Fairlie -
- Champagne! - Effet -
- Demourin lost his cause thro' the inattention of his council particularly Chibbe -

went to the new assembly
rooms in the evening it
was the opening ball -
a large numerous and genteel
company - L. Mornington
Sir Edward Clarke and most
of the first characters in the
Parliament - The floor was
ornamented with L. M. and
the Great coat of arms with
the Kings Arms in the Centre
Done with Chalk - A fine
transparency representing
Apollo and the Muses -
Five large pictures - A canopy
over L. M. Chair - The Room
very splendid - The supper-
table most elegant - I am
The other Gods - Sea Kings, Elephants
Geese well served -

th
Friday 16 Nov - 1790
H. M. 70-
D. M. 29+ M.
Myself - A -
Clear - Sun. Cold -
Mr. G. and Mrs. Baker
+ with M. Beattie -
- Very thick fog - affects the
eyes and Lips. - small Dis-
agreeable -

1790
Saturday 17 Nov

$4\frac{1}{2}$ a.m. Thur — 71°
 $9\frac{1}{2}$ P.M. — $24\frac{1}{2}$ Dry

Cloudy sky —

Visit from Mr Spalding —

News — Genl. Darnal arrived at Bombay confirms the account of the victory gained by Adl Nelson — It is also reported that the French had retreated to Alexandria, that the town other accounts say the hospital had been burnt —

Mr Spalding called & delivered to him Euler and Golden Comets of Ships & 5 Peepers
+ with Mr. Fairlie —

Sunday
~~Saturday~~ 18 Nov 90

8 a.m. Thur — 71
P.M. — 25 Dry

Senaction cold — sky unclouded
Planning —

+ At home —
Mr. W. has finished the advertisement — on request piece of writing — called on Mr B. — after dinner — Mr Hamilton has just received a very large collection of valuable drawings Sir Wm Hamilton's Etruscan Vases &c — L. M. has consulted Mr. B. — to know whether or no he can legally shut up the road leading from Cornhill through St. to Chancery Lane & about — The birds sang in the night
— piece of ground from the Dolphin

1790

Monday 19th Nov

Repaid to the Parade -

They found a number of men
half drawn up; the Col. and
adjutant busy in endeavouring
to collect the names of those of
who had subscribed on the first
day of enrolment, but so much
was the want of system, and so
little progress did they make that
they could not finish the letter
A and B in one hour and a
half - he was accordingly
dismissed with orders to meet
again to morrow morning at
day break - Militia is best
commanded by military officers
- The encroachment on the isle
is contrary to every principle of at-
tack and defence - The houses are
too near the fort ahead: The cannon

of the transports can at a very
small elevation throw balls into
the middle of the town - Mr
L. seems to be ~~to~~, he is said
to be somewhat less spirited.

- Mr. Wayat's estimate for building
the Government out house is said to
be $2\frac{1}{2}$, Mr. Tench's $3\frac{1}{2}$ Lacs of Rupees
I think from the specimen the latter
must have already read of his L,
the latter seems is likely to be
near the mark than the former
- These seem much whimsicality and
fickleness in his character
+ at home -

Looked over W. in search for
a changeable picture, none sui-
table -
- Mr. J. called in the evening
to take a Lunar Observation
Mess. Drummond and Butler -
+ Lunar Observations

+ L^d M. has been so much
disturbed by the Paris Dogs
along the Road opposite to his
new house, that he has consulted
M. B. whether he may not
stop the road to Chand Paul
Ghaut!!

- The first night L^d M. spent
at Mr. F. n's house
which L^d M. had taken, he
was so much disturbed by
Jackals, that he returned to town
in the middle of the night!!

Tuesday 20th Nov. 1790
a. m. Ther. ————— 72°
Hyg. Ad. ————— 25°
+ with M. Drummond —————
Capt. Bay and Brough —————

Wednesday 21st Nov 1790

Visit from Mr. Butler —

+ with Mr. B. —

All transparent colours for
painting on Glass must be
wrought up with Varnish —
— Shall see Varnish answers
very well —

+ This evening a Gent. in the
habit of a Clergyman called
with a letter to Robt. Stranahan
After several attempts at length
succeeded in discovering that he
is one of the Missive establish-
ment!! a forlorn hope —

Thursday 22nd Nov 1790

+ with Mr. Dally

Mr. Richmond thinks the
Nelson's Victory no great
matter to boast of, the French
have still a large fleet at
Toulon — he has had no ef-
fect intelligence of the engage-
ment!! — On mentioning the
American Ambassadors, he
said the correspondence was
all a forgery — On its being
mentioned that a French
Captain of an Armed Ship
flogged an American Capt.
and cut a hole in his
housen to get at his portman
a Gent. observed that one
Sam. Lubbock should have

had some some fellow feeling
for another — Mr. B. thinks
Bonaparte never intended to
visit India by the Red sea
but by the way of Persia —

Friday 23 Nov. 1798
M. M. applied to me to know
whether the Eclipse of the moon
would begin, this evening, before
or after the moon rising
He says the Astronomers are divided
about it one party being for
the former the other for the
latter case. Informed that it
was a matter of great consequence
for him to know, as the Cer-
emonies in the two cases were
quite different. — gave him
the calculation for which it
appears that the Eclipse will
begin about 20 minutes
before the rising of the moon
and that the moon will rise
a few minutes before sun set

— At home —

Ecliptic agreeable to the Call:
given what is the best way
of explaining the change of
direction of the shadow & from
a position almost horizon-
tal to that of a perpendicular
and ^{an} obtuse angle with the
horizon? —

+ wish to Mr. Nowat an expla-
nation of Crofus business

Saturday 24 Nov, 1790
— A visit from Mr. John Turrill
from Madras — Come round
on account of his health
news — Lady Fergushan dead
Miss Ann married — Miss Saunders
at 12 run away with from a
boarding school — Mr. Cundy
doing well in Jamaica
Mr. Chibber in great business
succeeded Sir Walter — Mr. Halden
gone home — Mr. Fergushan
governor of Banda, and also
Mr. J. says of Ambayne — Lady
Chis a great botanist — Mr
L. has two daughters young
two governesses, English and
Italian —

- A visit from M. Gasp - going
on road to see the Swamp

Galley -

- Dinner with Mr. Drummond at
the coffee house - called at
Mr. Hennings - Uniform
Buttons all bought up by the
Europe Tailors -

1790
Sunday 23 Nov

- Sent the pieces of Gasp
to have specimens of transpa-
rent colours put on them -
+ with Mr. Brown - Mr. Patrick
Mr. McCarthy - Barron Jr -
+ removed the Ephemeris to
1004 inclusive, the corrections
promised in the 1003 are not
made, and the same promise
is contained in the preface of
that Ephemeris and the year
following!

- M. R. always finds in the
1st quarter of the moon the
longitud. and in the
3rd quarter than by the
Chronometer -!! given the same

Friday 27th Nov 1790
Mr. Dwyer b. with us - after he
introduced him to Mr. Kellin, and of
St. Thomas at Mr. Brown's -
Looked very apprehensive and took
in a rough way 70 Lots - of
which 10 are books -

Coffee house - Reported Mr. Legg -
- visit -

+ Mr. Howat informed me yesterday
of the death of Mr. John Andrew
of Cork -

Saturday 28th Nov. 1790
at 8 A.M. Put. — 60°
Hyg. Ad — 10 M —
2 1/2 M. Put. — 74
Hyg. Ad — 0 Day

- Mr. Mackintosh called
report but certainly unimpaired
that Buonaparte has found
his way to India!! -

Thursday 29th Nov 1798

8 a.m. ~~Met~~ Log

My of. ~~at~~ 23rd

— While handling down two
Chomest sheets, the chain
gave way, I fell with a sheet
of bet: head in one hand
and tail in the other. The
sheets were preserved, but I
can ^{not} find —

+ Called this morning at
Mr. Fidler's — A sergeant at-
tends to teach the ^{manual} exercise —

+ with Mr. Bailli — Mr.
Morris portrait painter —

— Sent an apology to
the Adjutant, and a list to

M. Fanti expressing my wish
to be of his company —
+ M. Forsyth called in the ^{even}
different modes composing and
preaching sermons — reading
repeating — Nonshews!! — water —
+ M. F. left with me 440 Dollars
to be sent to M. Fanti, —

Friday 30th Nov. 1790
The frost I received by the fall
yesterday prevented me from at-
tending the parade, this morning
The companies were formed —
— Sent 440 Dollars bet. to M. Forsyth
to M. F. — M. F. says he has
enrolled me in his ~~own~~ company
+ at home —

Saturday 1st Dec 1798

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9 a.m. Post. — 60
Bygr. Ad. — 1690

Went to Mr. Demation - Cold

— Visit from Mr. John Plumb
and Mr. More

— wrote to Mr. Brown enclosing
a letter from Mr. Strong

Sunday 2^d Dec 1798
+ B. with Mr. G.

L. M. going to reduce the salary
of the lower order of servants
Willow report says that
200 SW. to 150!! — given why
not also the great salaries?

— Call from Mr. Howat, he ad-
vices to add to one of the
papers in my lottery, a few
papers — approval of the lottery
plan — Mr. Canfield called
wishes to have a reading desk
approval of the lottery — Mr.
Angel also gave me his name
as a subscriber to the lottery
+ with Mr. Baillie — Mr. Taylor

+ J. Mac - in papers
 what is taught him -
 - labour in the French -
 - just and low - But not to
 be found - no matter - It is a
 matter - fit soon over - not with
 her as with us Christians -
 + The arriving the Nation at
 Bombay is thought a dangerous
 measure, by some people here -

Cabretta
 Monday 3^d Dec 1790
 Put up the Regulator -
 #
 10 a.m. Ther - 60 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Hyg^r A. - 16 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Wind N. W^y - Animation cold
 #
 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ a.m. Ther - 70 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Hyg^r A. - 9 M
 #
 12 - Ther - 71 $\frac{1}{2}$
 Hyg^r - 9 M

+ with W. Fairlie - was water
 mostly an Indian affair -
 Arrived of some of the Cavalry
 W. W. -
 + General Clarke sets off immediately
 for the Coast -
 - Suppose Buonaparte at Procha
 might he not cross over to the
 East coast of Arabia?