

THOMAS RICHARD CLAPHAM'S AUSTWICK HALL JOURNAL

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|------|---------|--|------|-----|----|
| 1860 | June | Built new dog Kennel at Austk Hall | 26. | 19. | 10 |
| 1861 | May | Boarded Attic Floor AH boards (not labour) | 12. | 15. | 0 |
| 1863 | May | { Stable & coach house rebuilt old barn removed { Dining room painted oak | 142. | 9. | 3 |
| 1864 | Apl | Cemented West side of Austwick Hall JS Linger Bentm | | | |
| | | | 30. | 0. | 0 |
| 1863 | | Built drag Shippon Tommy Bank Barn | 39. | 19. | 10 |
| 1865 | June | Cemented Front of A.H. J Slinger Bentham | 42. | 0. | 0 |
| 1907 | Augt | Removed all cement Stucco from AH. W Pritchard contract photo p. 363 | 41. | 17. | 0 |
| 1868 | | New Roof put out old School workshop | | | |
| 1869 | Apl | Made water Closet at A.H. | | | |
| „ | July | Built New cellar and Scullery back of A.H. | | | |
| 1870 | May 23d | Plate glass window AH. W peters Rochdale | 6. | 9. | 0 |
| 1868 | May | Built New building Town Head Machine[?] House on[?] | | | |
| | | | 59. | 18. | 0 |
| 1870 | May | Large cistern removed from bath house to AH | 1. | 2. | 6 |
| 1870 | | Hall painted oak front door glazed col[oure]d glass | | | |
| 1872 | | New Barn built High Birks | 230. | 0. | 0 |
| 1872 | | New Roof on Cottage Town Head | 38. | 3. | 11 |
| 1872 | Apl | Put New Slate & spars on SW & S of AH | 63. | 2. | 7 |
| 1871 | May | All new windows put into AH front | 25. | 0. | 0 |
| 1873 | Ap | Built vinery and removed old garden house & Ebbg & flowg well | 40. | 0. | 0 |
| 1874 | | Raised barn at Butterfield Gap Shed & barn | 127. | 7. | 1 |
| 1874 | | Made 3 plantations Thwaite pasture & row of sycamores | | | |
| | | | 26. | 0. | 3 |
| 1874 | Ap | Bath floored & made a plant house | | | |

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| 1874 | Jun | Manure sheds and tank Feizor | 25. | 5. | |
| 1875 | Apl | Made Smoke room over laundry AH | 48. | 3. | 1 |
| 1875 | Jun | Built coalshed A.H. | | | |
| 1875 | June | Cemented east end of AHall & Stable | 9. | 1. | 0 |
| 1875 | | New drag shippon made at Wood End | 53. | 10. | |
| 1875 | Oct | New Iron railing in front of A.H. Capstick | 14. | 13. | 0 |
| 1876 | Feb | Covered Ley walk with riddled lime stone | | | |
| 1876 | Mar | Painted outside A.H. 2 coats Carson | | | |
| 1876 | Ap | Planted circular ring of yews middle walk Plant. | | | |
| 1878 | Sep 13 | Planted Rhododendron and Azalia border W of Fountain | | | |
| Oct & Nov | | Removed N wall of garden from Smoke room to Vinery | | | |
| „ | „ | Cut down orchard & made new Kitchen garden on site of orchard (880 square yards) | | | |
| Oct | Nov | Built my wife a conservatory W side of A.H. | | | |

Decr 5 Brought Stag[?] R[?] from Horton Moor to Plant.
 1879 Sep 8 Removed car[illeg]gate & planted corner in front Stable
 1879 Sep29 Planted Rhods. & Azalia border Smoke rm to vinery
 1879 Dec17 Radcliffes covered in passage from well to Scullery
 1880 May Built Observatory 10. 0.
 1880 Aug Covered in Front door at Austwick Hall Harger Bros Settle
 14. 0
 1880-1 Robt Wilson walled fence N Side Thwaite lane 5/- rood}
 1881-2-3 R Wilson walled from 4 lane Ends S side } 22. 16. 9
 Thwaite lane to narrow plantation joining }
 Farrer 5/- rood }

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Bobs last work was this South wall he gave up in May 1884

This side done first then South side see ante

1881-2-3 Robt. Wilson walled N. side of Thwaite lane roods at 5
 1883 May [illeg] Drag Shippon Feizor Est new roof barn & stable 105. 0. 0
 1883 Painted all windows doors AH Harrisons & [illeg] 8. 7. 1
 1884 Jany Old Smoke room wash house made into library 42. 18. 0
 1884 Dec New observatory
 1887 Mar New windows David Woods Feizor 5. 15. 0
 1885 Novr New Sanitary pan & cistern to WC at AH 2. 19. 6
 1886 May Aug New drag Shippon calf [illeg] Town head and }
 all other farm buildings Austk Hall farm thoroughly repaired } 144. 1. 11
 1888-9 New work at Town Head. Kitchen range flooring on
 lower rooms general fitting covering in stream at back etc
 1889 May New back Stairs at AH and ceiling N side of Attics 12. 8. 10
 1890 April Larger library room (old washhouse) into smoke room,
 small store room, and two bed rooms over (one larger
 room into four)
 1890 June New Dining room Carpet & Indian hearth rug [illeg] 7. 14. 9
 June 14 New family grave stone put down Clapham Ch. yard Morphet
 1891 March 3 principal bed rooms papered & panelled Hall & landing painted
 Handley dining room ceiling, Smoke room Rich bed room
 painted all entrance Hall & passages painted 3 coats [illeg]
 4 Cathedral glass in Hall door Main lights see next page 31. 18. 10

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1891 May Out kitchen enlarged & manure shed into Cart house 24 16 3
 March Papers for 3 bedrooms 2. 13. 0 labour in papering and papering }
 bedrooms 7. 6. 3 ½ Paint used 2. 7. 3 }
 Staircase hall & passages complete painted 14. 17. 2 } 31. 18. 10
 31ft 5 in Cathedral glass 2/- 3. 2. 10 fixing 15/- putty 2/4 }
 by Edmund Handley Settle
 Oct Fan light in porch Cathedl glass 5/12/- = 10/- fixing 5/-
 1909 March Hall staircase landing painted and varnished E. Handby Drawing room
 papered and painted Smoke room do p.277
 Oct & Nov Painted outside AH

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| 1892 | March | 2 cwt Carsons paint & oil 4. 15. 0 labour 4. 0 .0 | 8. 15. 0 |
| | | Repaired Dearbought cottage tenants man | |
| | May | Removed font & seats & made place into Baptistry at Austwick Church, formerly place for children at West | } 6. 18. 6 |
| | | End | |
| | Feb & | Drained Bracken Hill Seed[?] field | 11. 2. 9 |
| | May | Repaired Dearbought House for tenant | 5. 4? ? |
| Oct & Nov | | Fitted up Stable Beck House garden house & arbour | 49. 4. 3 |
| omitted above | | Converting old School yard into Shrubbery plants etc | 5. 11. 8 |
| Oct & Nov 1891 | | | |
| 1893 | | Beck House drainage & water supply WC etc | 29. 9. 2 |
| 1892-3 | | Altering Dearbought Cottage | 8. 14. 11 |
| 1893 | | Money spent on Austwick Burial ground | 30. 14. 3 |
| 1894-5 | | Faculty for 2 graves Kirbstones & fixing fees etc | 10. 2. 10 |
| 1895 | Ap | New roof Jack Barn Feizor | 27. 17. 3 |
| 1895 | Ap | Beck House Kitchen range bed & flue & grate [illeg] | 45. 8. 2 |
| 1895 | Ap | New Kitchen range & fix Austwick Hall | 22. 2. 5 |
| 1896 | Ap | New Roof at Ancient farm Feizor repairs & | 58. 0. 1 |
| 1896 | | Work done at old Home under draw room | 18. 18. 3 |
| 1896 | | Work done at Stockdale House [illeg] | 8. 17. 3 |
| 1896 | | 3 New Teale ranges at Austwick Hall | 31. 14. 10 |
| 1897 | | Papered panelled drawing r 3 front bedrooms AH | |

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| 1860 | | Set of Plated Harness W Bilton Settle | 11. 11. |
| 1877 | July 7 | New Set Plated Harness Bilton Settle | 12. 12. |
| 1877 | Aug 20 | New 4 wheel dog cart Holmes Derby | 79. 10 |
| “ | | Carriage of above from Derby Midland | 2. 3/6 |
| | | (Weight 6 cwt. 0. 19 nett box 0.1.1 ma[illeg] 9 [illeg] lamps 8lb total 6 cwt. 2 [illeg] 9 lb) | |
| 1876 | Ap. 22 | Norwich car Gilchrist Lancaster | 25. 0 |
| 1877 | | Painting and altering Norwich car do. | 6. 12 |
| 1897 | | Put up oak Pannelling in hall Austwick Hall Painted & papered drawing room own bedroom South room & middle Room Handly Settle | |
| | May | New drawing room Carpet £16.14.0 Gillows Lancaster etc. | 22.6 |
| 1898 | April | Dining room thoroughly done up & paint dark | |
| 1900 | May 21 | New Smoke room Carpet Mansurgh | 4. 7/6 |
| 1901 | June | New Dining room Carpet Gillows Lancaster | 10. 14. 6 |
| | | Drawing room furniture covered & D[illeg] Harger | 8. 4. 9 |
| 1905 | Marh | Annies bed room thoroughly done up paper, paint & new Carpet | 22. 5 10 |
| 1885 | May | Cupboards taken out of Drawing Room overmantle etc D Harger | 24. 2 6 |

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| 1865 | | New oak Dining Table Gillow wood grown at A.H. tree felled 1862 | 22. 0. 0. |
| 1869 | Nov | Oak writing table Bell & Coupland Lancr | 12. 12. 0 |

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| 1870 | May | 6 new dining room chairs Do 46/- nett | 13. 16. 0 |
| 1871 | Sep | New large oak arm chair Coupland | 8. 0. 0. |
| 1874 | June 30 | Spanish Blind dining room Harger | 5. 1. 4 |
| 1876 | Decr | Oak Couch dining room Coupland | 9. 9. 0 |
| 1876 | Ap | New drawing Room carpet (15, 14, 9) & rug Leeds | 18. 18. 3 |
| 1877 | Ap | New Birch Wardrobe Mansergh Lancaster | 22. 0. 0 |
| 1877 | | New brass bedstead Mansergh Lancasr | 14. 10. 0 |
| 1877 | | Hair matrass Hangings pillow etc Do | 15. 8. 9 |
| 1877 | Aug 4 | Collard Piano Harrison Birmingham | 45. 0. 0 |
| 1877 | Aug 6 | New Stair Carpet Mansergh Lancasr | 11. 15. 0 |
| 1877 | „ | New Stair rods & hooks for above | 3. 18. 0 |
| 1878 | May | New oak easy chair SF dining room | |
| 1879 | May 20 | New dining room carpet Denby & Spinks Leeds | 8. 5. 4 |
| „ | | Hearth rug to match do do | 2. 5. 0 |
| „ | | Linoleum for Smoke room floor (Coupland Lancasr) | 3. 7. 0 |
| 1881 | Jany | Large oak easy chair from oak grown at AH felled Nov 1863 | 8. 10. 0 |
| | | Large arm chair walnut grown at AH felled 1863 made about 1875 by Robt. Atkins Clapham 1863 this chair was made for TRC but bot by J Walker (Steward) bot by me | 18/5 |
| 1894 | May | Put new iron balusters to front stairs Austwick Hall (Harger Settle | 18. 19. 6 |

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Ebbing & flowing well at A. H.

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Made by Richd Clapham about A.d. 1851

Removed Oct 1873 from original position near long walk during which time it lay in Yard

Removed to present Site 10 Jany 1880

Vinery Long 20ft x 14ft

Built Oct 1873 Removed to present Site Oct 1881

Austwick Hall Cemented

West Side cemented June 1864 £30. 0. 0

South Side June 1865 £40. 0. 0

£70. 0. 0

Removed all Stucco cement from whole Aug 1907 £41. 17. 0

1879 Apl 29 Built my Cairn on Long Scars

„ June 11 Built Cairn on Ingleborough

„ Nov 20 Top mast of flagstaff at AH during a hard gale

1880 Pulled down privy middle of top border in garden AH

Flags & Signals – see ‘Code of Signals’

1857 June Red Ensign 12x6 Hannah Phillips 7 Strand St Liverpool 1. 5. 0

1863 Augt Family crest put into same Do Do 0. 11. 2

1872 Blue ensign 12x6 Feby Do Do 1. 5. 0

1862 Jany Union Jack 11x7 Do Do 1. 5. 6

1866 Feb 17 Code of Signals Do Do 2. 15. 6

1865 American Ensign 12x6 Nov 25 Do Do 1. 12. 6

All Mrs Phillips’s flags are the best bunting & hand sewn have them now Nov 1908
and nearly as good as new 8. 14. 8

1867 White Ensign 8.4x5.3 Portsmouth 17 July 1. 5. 0

Ledger. A debt in statute barred, that is it cannot be sued after a lapse of 6 years. I should destroy everything more than 6 years old.

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My Highest land Top of [illeg] Moor Feizor 1050 ft above Sea
 Lowest Bottom of Spouts Croft 486 „ „
 654 feet

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| Land etc | £ |
|--|---------|
| 1861 Sep 17 Bot Brackenwrays Richd Atkinson's Sale | 122 |
| 1869 May 2 Bot Cottage & garden & croft Town Head J Ingleby | 350 |
| 1872 June 23 Bot Big bank 80 white lands WoodEnd 270 Baynes sale | 356. 15 |
| 1872 Nov 16 Bot 19 Sheep gates Moughton Burton wharfe sale | 54. 3 |
| 1875 Jan 2d Bot of John Ingleby Great croft 850 | |
| „ Howson croft 200 Wetlands 300 Mile copy 230 | |
| „ Wood Close 200 Grt S[illeg] mire 350 = total | 2130 |
| 1875 Aug 18 Bot Norbers Pasture Jas Morphets sale | 720 |
| Land bot out of proceeds of High Birks = | £2850 |
| Sept 19 1876 Bot Man Sefd Lincoln Rail Debentures 114 | 4010 |
| 1878 June 29 Bot 500 Midland Cons[?] St 127 ¼ | 638. 16 |
| Proceeds of Butterfield Gap Estate = | £4648 |
| 1875 Jan 15 Sold High Birks to Jas Farrer Esq Clapham | 2850 |
| 1876 Aug 7 Sold Butterfield Gap Mr Slater Cononley | 4500 |
| | £7350 |

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Brackenway Occupation Road

1872 Nov 19 Amount to be paid to Chris Ingleby for giving up right of Road £8 0s 0d
 Deduct Cost of rebuilding length of fence belonging to Mr Clapham 0. 18. 0
 Value of land to Mr Ingleby's field through alteration of fence 1. 15. 0
 Balance due to Mr Ingleby £5. 7. 0
 Recd 19 Nov 1872 5. 7. 0 Christ Ingleby J Hartley Surveyor & Valuer
 1873 May 20 Paid Wm Hartley Solicitor agreement 10/-
 Boon
 1863 June 23 Recd of TR Clapham 3. 15. 0 the price of his boon due Christ Ingleby as Lord
 of Manor of Lawkland £3. 15. 0

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Abstract Collected from Ledger Sept 11- 15 1907 Sepr Finished 18 Sept 1907

| | £ | s | d |
|---------------------------------|---|----|---|
| 1859 Oct4 | 2 | 13 | 0 |
| Nov 8 J Hartley Valuing Farms | 6 | 10 | 0 |
| 1860 Jan 3d Large bird case | 8 | 18 | 0 |
| July 28 Kitchen Clock TL[?] | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Aug 18h ½ share of Rifle target | 2 | 2 | 6 |

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| | | Bittern in case | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| | Oct 24 | New Dog Kennel AH | 26 | 19 | 10 |
| 1861 | Feb 5 | Oil painting 2 dogs Brown Lanc | 5 | 0 | 6 |
| „ | May 4 | Attic floor boards Blades | 12 | 15 | 0 |
| | Nov 5 | Portrait in Oil & 2 chalk dr[awing]s Horner | 33 | 14 | 6 |
| „ | | Morris British Birds | 6 | 15 | 0 |
| 1862 | Ap 23 | Rd Howson flooring Attic | 5 | 18 | |
| 1863 | Feb 4 | Plan Feizor Estate J Hartley | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| „ | June 23 | Boon fee bought C Ingleby | 3 | 15 | 0 |
| „ | Aug | Crest put into Ensign | 0 | 11 | 2 |
| | Aug 18 | Milners Safe Harvey Settle | 7 | 10 | 0 |
| 1865 | 11 Jany | Pocket aneroid Bell Lancast | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| 1865 | July 24 | 30 ft ladder Jas Bentham | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| „ | Sept 15 | Hunting Knife Rodgers | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| „ | Nov 28 | Binoculars W Richardson | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| 1867 | May 28 | Solid leather portmant Bilton | 2 | 15 | 0 |
| „ | | Decr with Gelard to Paris | 8 | 2 | 0 |
| 1869 | | Holmes plumber Watercloset AH | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| „ | July | John Downham Shooting hut Horton | 9 | 1 | 10 |
| „ | Oct 28 | Brace Grouse Horner [illeg] | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| „ | Dec15 | Secretary able Bell & Coupland | 12 | 12 | 0 |
| 1870 | Feb 15 | “Queen of the Seas” ship Walters | 13 | 17 | 6 |
| „ | July 22 | Steel number punch set | 0 | 11 | 6 |
| „ | Aug 26 | Dining room windows Peters | 6 | 9 | 0 |
| 1871 | | Easy Chair Dining room Coupland | 7 | 12 | 6 |
| 1872 | June 5 | New Roof to Hewings Cottage | 38 | 3 | 11 |
| „ | July 16 | Case for Curios in Hall | 1 | 17 | 0 |
| 1874 | March | Plantations made | 26 | 0 | 3 |
| „ | Aug 25 | Crest & arms & plate Pugh | 3 | 8 | 0 |
| 1875 | Mar | Dining Room time piece JL | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| „ | June 11 | Bedroom furniture Harger | 17 | 16 | 0 |
| „ | Decr 4 | New Cross Cut Saw | 0 | 10 | 6 |
| 1876 | Nov 13 | New aneroid bar Wood Lpl | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| 1877 | | Resetting Moss agate ring Rhodes | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| 1865 | | Flagstaf Mast Dickinson Lpl | 23 | 10 | 0 |
| | | putting up | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| 1872 | Ap | New roof AH South & West | 63 | 2 | 7 |
| 1873 | Nov | New Vinery at AH | 38 | 17 | 1 |
| 1877 | Apl 23 | Wardrobe Manserg | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| „ | „ „ | Bedstead Manserg | 14 | 10 | 0 |
| „ | „ 3 | Gold Watch S.F. Brown bell | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| „ | Augt 16h | Collard[?] Piano | 45 | 0 | 0 |
| 1878 | Oct | Baptism of Richd | 2 | 15 | 0 |
| „ | May31 | Sewing machine W&G | 6 | 18 | 9 |
| „ | July 18 th | Boot trees | 0 | 18 | 6 |
| 1880 | Feb 18 | Walnut Chair Walker | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| | | Dead Christ Mayer Antwerp | 8 | 9 | 0 |
| „ | Nov | New Porch AH Harger | 14 | 14 | 6 |
| „ | 30 | Magic Lantern Harvey Leeds | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| „ | 26 | Gordon Setter painting J Horner | 2 | 0 | 0 |

1884 Decr Observatory & Transit Harger 26 2 0
 ,, Sepr 3 Gave my collect of Brit birds to Giggleswk School

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1902 Apl & May

New Kitchen Range H P Boiler & Bath Room Complete

| | £ | s | d |
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| Yeadon Settle New Kitchen Range at Austwick Hall | 11 | 4 | 6 |
| Thos Holmes plumber, bath, H.P. Boiler, cistern, pipes & fixing | 36 | 2 | 11 |
| Kirkbright carpenter fitting bath room, Cupboards etc | 16 | 5 | 4 |
| Wm Pritchard mason 0. 19. 6 Smith's work 5/6 Lime & Sand 7/6 | 1 | 12 | 6 |
| Evans fixing Range 3. 2. 4; Carting 3/9 | 3 | 6 | 1 |
| Linoleum & fixing Harger 1. 8. 7 Cork matt 4/6; shelf ½ | 1 | 14 | 3 |
| Handby painting Bathroom etc 2. 2. 8; 5 Locks 9/8; Stool 3/9 | 2 | 16 | 1 |
| | 73 | 1 | 8 |

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Plantation on Austwick Hall Estate

| | A | R | P | | by whom made |
|---------------------------|---|---|----|----------------|--------------------|
| Austwick Hall Plantation | 9 | 3 | 25 | Nov 1847, 1848 | Richd Clapham Senr |
| Dearbought Patsure Plan | 1 | 1 | 6 | Mar 1865 | T R Clapham |
| New Close Plantn | 1 | 2 | 27 | Mar 1874 | T R Clapham |
| Long Tram Thwaite pastre | 0 | 2 | 34 | Mar 1874 | T R Clapham |
| { Dogs Bank | | | | Mar 1874 | T R Clapham |
| { added to do. | | | | Ap 1886 | T R Clapham |
| Small plant near Entrance | | | | Sept 1879 | T R Clapham |

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Old Oak trees felled at Austwick Hall (1862)

1862 (Autumn) Felled an oak growing close to the one now standing at the top of the Avenue
 Ley In 1865

Sent part to Gillows Lancaster & had a new Dining Table made by Gillows of Lancaster £22.
 0. 0

In 1881 sent part of it to Coupland Lancaster and had an armchair made for Dining room see
 pages 16 – 18 £8. 10. 0

21 October 1875 Felled a large oak which stood close to the large one now standing at
 bottom of A H Wood, low walk

Oct 1906 A 'Gate Table' for Hall was made out of this by J Kirkbright recd Oct 22d 1906
 cost £5. 8. 6

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- 1861 Jany 5 Appointed a manager of Austwick School
 1882 – 15 Decr Felled an oak in Ewning which stood a little South of the larger row.
 1884 Sept 16 Two walnut trees (dead) felled at A.H.
 1891 Oct 27 Felled an oak from the Row in Ewning the tree nearest but one to the garden have long thought of taking it out as it was crowding two others butt 30ft 6in long x 14 ½ sq = 44ft. 6in.4 top 4 0 0 = 48F. 6in. 4pt
 Large Walnut blown down 1 Sept 1891
 Butt 11ft 8in x 25in sq = 50ft. 11in. 11pt 11ft 8in x 25 in sq
 1892 Decr 19 Felled three of the seven horse chestnuts growing above garden at Austwick Hall think the remainder will improve in shape

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- 1869 Feb 28 Gave a clock to Austwick School 99/- Leeming Sisters marriage on 19 April
 1870 1 Jany Margt Shuttleworth came as my housekeeper prior to my [marriage]
 May 23 New Plate glass window put into Dining room, Hall
 26 My first Rent Dinner at 'Cock Inn' continued to have it there
 painted oak Stained glass window in Hall door
 Augt. went to Leeds assizes as special juror, let off 2 days as I was booked for USA
 Large cistern removed to Back of House
 Oct 7h Gathered seeds of Sequoia gigantean in the Mammoth grove Mariposa County California sowed at A.H.
 Nov 5 Sailed from San Francisco ship 'British Navy' 1217 tons reg Capt Wm Porter 31031 bags wheat = 1730 tons & 47 tons Silver in total 1777 tons freight 2. 7. 6 per ton = £4200. 7. 6 Built in Feb 1869 Cost £15,000 1217 tons regular or 1825 tons burden
 1871 Mar13 British Navy ar[rive]d in the port of Liverpool from San Francisco 128 days out Rock Light 3.30pm Golden Gate to Rock Light 128 days 1 ½ hour
 Mar 20 Sowed the seeds of Sequoia gigantea which I gathered in Mariposa grove see 1874
 May New Sashes large panes put into all the windows £25 S & W of Austk Hall
 Mond 5 June
 Henry Shephard came as gardener etc 29y 7m Mar[rie]d 19 June 1872 wife died 13 Mar 1903 - 56
 Sep 30 Last Swallow seen at A.H.
 1872 April 17 – 1st Swallow Cuckoo April 25h last swallow Sep 29
 June 19 Henry Shephard mard 19 June
 July 26 Bar 29.51 Thermr 84o wind ENE to E 3.30pm to 6pm one of the most violent & terrible storms of lightning thunder and rain ever 1/3 of Clapham Cave permanently blocked

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Waterspout burst on Moughton causing a fine waterfall over the scar between Wharfe & Whitstone note traces still visible (1901)
 Seen in this country passed over Austwick. Great damage done in the district. Much hay washed away by the floods. Went to Beck House where my sister Mrs Peters [surname erased] was alone. The water broke into the house 6 inches in dining room, outside nearly on level with room windowsills. Storm from S.SE & S by E WSW & W having cyclonic character 3 heavy lightning shots fell very close to Beck House.

Sept 29 Last Swallow seen
 1873 April 15 First swallow seen Cuckoo in May (date?)
 Mar 12 Wagtail seen at A.H. (Last swallow Sep 27.
 Jan 19 Baromr 27.66 reduced to sea level level 28.26
 „ 23 Barom 27.82 wind SSW modte with rain
 Oct Built Vinery at A.H. and removed old garden house
 1874 April 23 First Swallow. Cuckoo April 30h Last Swallow oct 18
 „ 24 Sycamores in Ley out Pears in blossom
 March 8 Minimum temperature 8o (24o frost)
 May 1 Larches full out hardwood trees ½ out in leaf
 „ 24 Large oaks fully out in leaf
 Sep 14 Painted windows [illeg] oak grain
 June 3 21 Days Harrogate (Hodgsons) including everything tn . t. 0

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Sept 12 Cut First bunch of grapes ever grown at AH (pot vine 4lb 11oz.
 Nov 25 got a lot of Roses from Paul Loudon planted them in border opposite dining
 room window
 Decr 21 Sun rises over Melding Barn 8.52 am sun sets 3.31 its own diam? to right of
 lowest oak half way between tree and iron gate (end of garden)
 1875 Jan 15-22 at Half six Rochdale and Liverpool (21 Jan at Rochdale event?)
 Apl 19 First swallow Last swallow Oct 3 { 5 saw two on Horton Moor
 Mar 10 Wagtail Apl 10 vines broke bud
 Ap 3 10 Rhododendron Fulgens at best 10h Sycamores in Ley burst bud
 „ 28 Cuckoo first heard. Rhodo Dahuricum front door in flower in March. Ap 15
 Larches in flower & half out in leaf
 May 1st Sycamores in Ley out, 16th oak ½ out; 16 large beech ½ out
 June 7 About this time rhododendrons & thorns fully out Plantation looking at its best.
 17h first potatoes 19h Cut little croft 22 had it 1 cart load & 1 round
 July 5 Wm Harris on began haytime on AH farm June a wet month and haytime
 stopped

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July 17 Wm Harrison finished haytime AH other land 29
 8 first peas cut (Emerald Gem)
 4 etc Cemented east end of AH and east of stable & painted all doors and out
 buildings vinery, gate, by door in [illeg] cottage (H.S) throughout
 23 First ripe yellow gooseberry top garden
 24 First bloom of roses about over & budding for 2d crop
 Aug 8 Grapes begun to colour and last of strawberries 4th
 June 27 First strawberries Aug 4 last do.
 Aug 17 last gooseberries 15h 1st Tomatoes
 Sep 22 1 bunch grapes (pot vines) last peas 1st French beans
 3d gathered Lord Suffield[?] apples in front
 Oct 2 Last bunch grapes cut last jangouell[?] pear cut, last
 3d tomatoe cut in vinery. Oct 3d last swallow and foliage of all trees beginning to turn
 in colour.
 10 gathered Marie Louise early Margil[?] part of Ribston[?]

13 gathered King Blenheim orange and Catala pear
14 Cut last Chas Lefebre 23 last Barones Rothschild roses
25 Saw two Swallows on Horton Moor
Nov 5 a [illeg] Roschild & Beauty of Waltham in bloom in a vase in dining room two
beauties in November last roses of season

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1875 Nov 1 Planted 30 roses from Paul Loudon (Waltham Cross)
8 Light fall of snow in night of
6 Put up new Fleur de lis railing front of AH J Capstick
1876 1 Wagtail Mar 21. Cuckoo Ap 30 1 swallow Ap 26 last Oct 12 h
Jan 28 Gathered Snowdrops & primroses at A. H.
Feb 3 Thrushes singing in the wood at AH
12 Skated on Clapham pond heavy fall snow in night
21 Rhodo Dahuricum at front door full out
22 Crocuses out in front snowdrops plenty
12.25 Stoned all Ley walk riddled stone from Work house & Giggleswick Limeworks
T. C. V made good road 4 ft wide 10T 19 cwt 3 q
Mar 4 First bed of peas sown bunch primroses in flower
,, Russian violets full out for a week gooseberry buds bursting Scarlet Ribes in
flower Mazerian in flower 19h
12 Nimbuds [?] swelling, many W. gales for 10 days
15 Rhodo fulgens bursting flower buds
16, 17 Fall of snow both days 2 ½ & 1 in respy
21 7pm 7pm can see to read June 21 at 11pm Decr 21 at 4pm
21 Saw pied wagtail AH
29 to Ap 4 Painted outside A. H. two coats Carsons paint Radcliffe
Ap 1 Nine buds beginning to burst Dog tooth violets & daffodils in flower

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Ap 1 Russian violets at best about a fortnight ago
,, crocuses best abt a week ago gooseberries in leaf late
,, gales & snow kept vegetation back for a long time very cold for six weeks till
now. 3d My childhood bed of
3 violets behind garden fully out grown over nearly
3 Rhodo fulgens fully out only 3 blooms
12 Vines full out in leaf violets out. Ribes fully out
,, Thrushes nest in Ley. First Rhubarb tart. Primroses
14 in Ley – 14 Larches & thorns bursting leaf
26 Sycamores in Ley ½ out Snow in night 14h
,, 1st Swallow 26h Cuckoo 30h
22 Cut Marshal Neil[?] Rose in vinery
,, New Norwich Car came from Lancaster
May 1 Settle & Carlisle Railway opened
6 Larches & thorns fully out Sycamore Ley ½ out Vines shoots 18 in long and in
flower. Cold ENE wind and dry for 2 months up to & previous to May 17 when rain
came cold back spring generally
12 apple & pear blossom out. Rhodos just breaking flower bud a few of them

17 Sycamores in Ley & chestnuts $\frac{3}{4}$ out large Birch $\frac{1}{4}$ out Oaks just bursting bud ashes do. Strawberry in flower peas [illeg] potatoes in rows

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May 1876

9 Alice Foster Lawkland Hall mard Clapham

18 Sun goes down its own diamr to the right of the s gable of Bath house as seen from SW angle of AH 6.40

21 Large birch $\frac{3}{4}$ out Chestnuts full out Sycamores in Ley some full some $\frac{1}{2}$ out. Large white rhodo in front $\frac{1}{2}$ out do new hybrids. Fruit bloom nearly over vines in flower bunches forming. Oaks just showing leaf rains on 22

23 Large birch full out do sycamores in Ley.

„ large white rhodo full out flower dwarf do full out

Jun 1 Oaks $\frac{1}{2}$ out ashes bursting roses budding yellow azalias out. Sun goes down over Know gap barn 8.10 pm (from top plantn

6 [illeg] in flower apples & pears forming

9 Cut first roses. First gooseberry tart

10 From Top of Plant Sun sets in hollow below barn to N. of Knowgap barn 8 17 pm

14 Oaks fully out ashes nearly out most of thorns and looking at best all laburnums & many of rhododendrons in flower plantation

July 15 Therm Shade 85 o 16 h 87 o Faraht

20 Tomatos son of [illeg] (good cart load

26 Begun Hay finished July 6h Croft 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ loads Bigbank 3

Aug 13 grapes begun to colour 26 orleans plums begun to colour

27 Cut first tomato from New House behind vinery

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Sep 3 First Kidney beans V. Marrows fortnight ago Sunset as seen from top of own plantation

Sep 19 Swallows left nearly last Oct 12h

16 Cut first grapes pot vines

Oct 1 Roses nearly over the best blooms over Revd J M Ward 1st Sermon Clapham – died 19 Jany 1895

12 Last Swallow seen at Austwick Hall

6 Last green peas & duck 7 Last of Janquille[?] pears

7 Foliage of hard wood turning beech much col[oure]d

11 Cut a good vase of C Lefebvre[?] rose & [illeg] Beau[illeg] [illeg] [illeg] gloire dijon[?] roses

15 Vine Stems ripening Tomatoes abundant

13 gathered King Blenheim orange & Relston[?] apples

20 gathered C. [illeg] Barn Rothschild Marie [illeg] (good

23 had duck and green peas own grlowing (good) Cut last bunch of grapes total 18lb 4 oz this year

25 Cut Ch Lefebre[?] & Bss Rothschild good blooms

30 do do and other roses moderate blooms all trees shedding their leaves rapidly now altho' great many on yet fine autumn first night frost $\frac{1}{2}$ inch ice min thermr 30o fine clear

Nov 5 Never saw woods looking grander in colour late season ashes quick gums full

of leaf never saw tints finer Cut a fine A[illeg] wood & gloir[illeg] Dijon in Dining room

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- 1876 Nov 5 First fall of snow light ½ inch
Decr 11 Russian violets have been in flower for the last 2 or 3 weeks. Season very mild The last 20 days grouse driving on Horton Moor (8,9) were as warm as June (Sunny & bright
25 gathered alot of Russian violets for SF
- 1877 – see page 71 under smoke room see page 364 = 9 Jany
Feb 6 gathered alot they have been in flower all winter
„ Rhodo dahuricum front door in flower { for Jany 9th 1877 See page 364
1st Song thrush singing in Hall wood
Jan 29-30 Heavy gale W. NW high tide great deal of damage done all round west coast Morecambe pier injured
Mar 19 wagtail Ap 29 cuckoo May 1 1st Swallow Oct 5 last swallow
[from Feb 6 to Jan 39-30 repeated]
Mar 19 1st grey wagtail garden AH.
31 Middle permanent vine bursting buds
April 25 Larches in Ley and sycamores in Ley bursting buds
29 Cuckoo heard above A.H.
May 1 First Swallow seen at A.H.

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See page 71(7) bottom [illeg] [illeg]
May 9 Greasborough Church 11 am (Wedy) SFB 3d Apl 1877 Gold Watch to SFB
June 30 Permanent vines size of pills Brown bill Liverpool £12. 0. 0
July 7 First garden potatoes
Sunset bearings as seen from Austwick Hall
Jan 20 Sun sets 4.20pm lowest part of Burn Moor in a line halfway between Radcliffe House & home over [illeg] plant
Mar 21 Sun sets 6.40pm just under ledge to the left of Farrers plant; abt ½ way between corner of tree & brow edge of field seen from top of Plant.
June 1 Sun goes down over main stem of Rebstone apple from SW corner of A. H. & sets behind Know gap barn from top of plant. 8.10pm
Decr 10 Sets in hollow below barn to the N of Knowgap 8.17 from ½ way between ribston & King apple from SW of AH.
May 18 Sun goes down its own diamr to the right of S gable of Bathhouse 6.40 Seen from S.W corner of A.H.
Aug 4 Sun rises highest part of Moughton Nab from room over Kitchen at 5.15am.
Aug. 22 Sun sets on the right hand portion of Farrers plant. on the right of Thwaite lane 7.15 from top of Plant.
Aug 29 Sun sets over centre of left hand plant Farrer Thwaite lane left hand of at 6.57pm
Dec 21 Sun rises over Melsing barn 8.52am from room over Kitchen
„ „ Sets 3.31 its own diamr to the right of lowest oak half way between tree & iron gate at end of garden as seen from dining room window

1877 [illeg]

July 20 Wife S. & I measured large beech at Austwick Hall and the following are lengths of branches from points to centre of trunk (which is 15 ft circumference at 2 feet above ground) viz 50 ¼ ft; 46 ¼ ft; 36 ½ ; 39; 37; 37; 41; 38; 41; 43; 43 = 257 ft circumference covering an area of 5248 feet or 583 square yards (tenant for Dawson Croft next Year

20 Finished hay time big bank 3 good cart loads. Charged[?] with[?]

29 First Peas July 7 New Plated Harness Bilton ([illeg] 5

Aug 20 New 4 wheel dog cart Holmes Derby see page 5.

4 New Collar[?] piano Birmingham and p.5

25 Grapes begin to colour. List of Norway ferns recd from Ed of Field News Nos in rotation as planted in fernery at AH 1 & 2 Cytopris fragilis 3 Lastria cristata 4 Polystic lum[?] Loreliety[?] 5 too young to name with certainty 6 & 7 Lastrea spinulosa 9 Lastria rigida 1 3 6 7 9 are hardy complete enough to be [illeg] [illeg] about [illeg] from Iceland & Norway

Sep 4h Margt Shuttleworth my old housekeeper left us after a faithful service of 7 years 8 months & 6 days. Came Jan 1st 1870; returned to us for a time in 79 see wage book

10 Planted Strawberry bed reading from end nearest to dining room window. President Eleanor Eclipse British Queen 6 rows each in succession as named

Oct 2d Laburnum in flower top of Plant. near big rock and saw a primrose a fortnight ago low drive AH wood

Oct 5 Last swallow seen at A. H.

7 Cut first black Hambro grapes 1 bunch 1 ½ lb

14 Sunday night great hurricane SW to NW caused great damage all over England supposed hardest gale since that of 1839 storm raged on 4th in N & S America was telegraphed Cleopatras Needle abandoned in B of Biscay but again picked up

23 My 40th birthday. My wife planted a copper beech in the 'Cock Pit' at AH or open space at the bottom of front lawn & top of 'Grey garth' I planted another purple beech in 'Ewning' now 'Park Field' [inserted – Removed into plantation on bank NW of large Stone by the side of bottom walk – the bank at the bottom – nearly opposite iron gate but up in the plantation] just below large oaks and removed own raised Wellingtonia to top walk above Beech (centre one of 3) same also 3 limes behind Stable and two limes on east wall of horse pasture above orchard also 5 virginian creepers round A. H. on old School one on end of barn one on Harrisons house end [illeg] the wall behind Stable Clapham Toll abolished [illeg] last Oct 17th taking Mrs Byer [illeg] to Jany 9 [illeg] Stand SFB 10 at Liverpool

11 Annie came to my house to offer congratulations but Capt Peters never entered my house from that day

May 4 Asked of him permission for my sister to attend her only brothers and doing was sullenly refused an act for wh he will some day receice his due never spoke to him after the 8 May went to Greasbro ([illeg] [illeg] [illeg] in Jany

1877 Nov 5 gathered primroses in plantation Decr do do
 Dec 10 Cut last bunch of Grapes total 87 lb 6 oz before and after crop too heavy

1878 April 9 Moved out of my old bedroom over Kitchen (where I had slept 21 years) into room over Dining room
 19 Good Friday planted 12 Clematis Jackmainii[?] & Virginia creepers round A Hall front and west side
 21 Easter Sunday 1st swallow at A. H. 4pm last abt 6 [illeg] 3
 1st March [illeg] [illeg] rose in green house Permanent vines nearly in leaf one or two bunches of flowers
 ,, Large thorn & Sycamores in Ley half out
 28 Cuckoo first heard at Austwick Hall wood
 ,, New oven to Kitchen range at A. H. Harvey Settle
 May 21 – 30 Trimmed Ley walk coat sand & Lime cold
 June 2d Cut first outdoor rose Gloire de Dijon on house front
 8 Azalias Rhododendrons wigelias & thorns out and the plantation looking at its best.
 Left Hall for Copenhagen
 21 Cut little croft 25 lead it 1 cart 3 rounds
 26 Cut Meadow (Howdon Croft) 28” lead it 3 cart loads
 July 7 First crop of roses in full bloom (in the show)
 20 Took 1st prize for 12 named also prize for best rose
 28 about last of Strawberries peas full crop and had these abt 2 weeks before this date

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June 24=73o; 25=77o; 26=82 ½ ; in Shade
 July 19{ 84 max Sun 20th { 85 Sun 107 21{ 82 – 102; 23{ 73
 {57 min 119; { 61 [??] { 55 SSE - 92 ENE
 Aug 18 grapes begun to colour; do 1st Tomato cut
 Sept 8 First Jangonelle[?] pear Stable
 12 Cut first bunch grapes, black Hambro
 Sept 13th S. F 3.30am Friday of a Lord Richard Clapham
 Planted Rhododendron and azalea border, larger square beyond fountain also planted
 Locust tree from Salt Lake on the N side of North Walk in Plant. (middle one planted
 25 Oct 1877)
 Planted 3 own raised Wellingtonias just above Bath House on S side of top walk in
 AH Plant also 3 Indian Cypresses low walk & 3 on lawn also 2 Thuja gigantia low
 walk behind oaks
 Oct 23 5 sycamores in great oak row in Ewning pasture
 25 Trees shedding leaves fast – large beech nearly bare Some ashes late and still
 green, Sycamores half out of leaf
 Oct & Nov Cut down orchard at east end of Austwick Hall and built a new Kitchen
 garden wall enclosing part of the old orchard east of large beech some of garden 880
 square yards aspect S.E.
 Oct Nov Built my wife a new greenhouse on west wall of Austwick Hall

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Begun to use eyeglasses regularly for night reading
 Nov 2 First fall of snow – 7h heavy snow early May 11 do do
 Nov 10 Cut last bunch of grapes. Foliage of ashes only full leaf
 off by strong wind very late as have been all trees. Oak still in

12 Put cocoa matting down in Hall
 Dec 10 Finished removing fruit wall from little border in garden at A.H. (from Smoke room to [illeg])
 5 Bro't Stags Branch etc from Horton Moor
 11 Put up 'Stags Branch' which was removed from Horton Moor on the 5th (put up there on Sept 1869)
 Heavy snow fall 19^o 13th – 13^o 14th 10^o
 Decr 3 Strong frost set in (13th Min 10^o) storm continued till February 6th following = 65 days
 Decr 20 Sun sets over Burn Moor 3.33 from top Plantation with Orkaber
 Note Had a very hard winter strong frost & snow set in Dec 3 and continued without intermission for 65 days thermomr recording on average 10^o to 20^o lowest 10^o the storm lasted till Feb 6 then thaw and East wind for 10 days 18 Feb Snow & frost again till 27 Feb when final thaw set in
 March 5-6 strong [illeg] on 5 increasing to hard gale on 6 WSW
 1879 Feb 19 gathered snowdrops top of Ley
 March 1 [illeg] first heard A.H.
 March 21 Planted 1000 spruce in Home Plant in place of a quantity of larch cut down in Decr & Jan 2d sold larch 15£ Cost of felling 5£ Nett 10£ Jas Bentham Ingleton
 19 Put first plants into SFs' greenhouse. Do finished plastering Kitchen garden wall finished railing off

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top of old garden & cleaning up road from Vinery to orchard. The trenching of Kitchen garden finished Mar 14 all our alterations are now nearly complete nothing remains but clean up rubbish. Old Henry Foster here off and on since August last.
 March 30 First vine just bursting bud Muscat Hambro Rhododendron Dahuricum fully in flower
 27 Crocusses fully out also Maserian
 April 5 Dahuricum Rhodos a mass of flowers Fulgens (Rhodo) on lawn just coming into flower
 6 Russian violets oppte Smoke room all fully into flower
 17 Lace a Iceland dog died at Ripon 15 years old
 25 Larches bursting bud [illeg] 15 Magt left us again
 23 Saw cuckoo at [illeg] [illeg]
 29 Sycamores in Avenue just bursting buds
 „ First swallow at A. H. 10am
 „ Heard Cuckoo first time on Long Scars
 „ Built Cairn on Long Scars 4 hours work. Stump of flag staff (put up there Aug 14th 1866) built in centre
 30 Put New Gill Stove in Austk Hall
 May 16 Sycamores & big thorn ¼ out larches nearly full out.
 „ Primroses nearly all out fruit trees half in leaf and shewing bloom

(76)

1879 May 20 New dining room carpet bot of [illeg] & Spinks Leeds £8. 5. 0
 „ under felt 15s 11d Linoleum & border for Smoke room £3. 3. 2
 „ Stained & varnished Dining room floor

June 11 On Ingleboro 7am Built Cairn on East side 6 hours work
 12 Oaks and ashes only half out in leaf very late summer
 13 Mr James Farrer of Ingleboro Clapham died 9.15pm Aet 67
 23 Up in large balloon Paris 1500 ft ascent balloon built[?] Aug 16h
 30 Plantation looking at best all laburnums (very full) thorns
 ,, rhododendrons nearly fully out. Cut first Gloire de Dijon
 ,, New hybrid rhododendrons in garden fully bloom some over
 July 4 First green gooseberries tart
 6 First New Potatoes 8 Wm Kidd butcher Killed 10 [illeg]
 12 Cut little Croft 17 lead it 1 ½ cart loads
 16 Cut first basket of garden roses for S.F. Cut Meadow
 17 Rhododendrons are now nearly finished blooming
 29 Lead Meadow Howson Croft (cut 16h) 3 Good loads hay from
 ,, Cherries ripe do first strawberries
 Aug 2 Finished leading Meadow 2 ½ cart loads hay
 14 Grapes begun to colour ___ on account of severe winter vegetation is fully a month
 later than last year
 6 First peas – Suttons early a poor lot
 26 First crop of roses now over, it has been a bad rose season heavy rains & hot sun
 spoil blooms

(77)

Aug 21 Saw a large Falcon or Eagle a bird of the hawk tribe [illeg] as large as a heron
 fly over A.H. the bird was only twice the height of the house must have been a
 peregrine or Buzzard seemed larger
 Sept 1 Gathered last plate of Strawberries top border
 ,, Bunches of grapes abt ½ cold through [illeg]
 8 Removed Carriage Gate & posts in front planted the corner with spruce & Scotch
 altered bend of wall ([illeg] changed to Austrian pines abt 1884) to gate & took away
 top wall as far as holy & yew
 22 Cut first bunch of grapes J Inglebys birthday Showery weather everything late &
 signs of coming winter
 25 First apples cooked (fallen ones)
 29 Planted 36 (18 rhodod & 18 azalias on the top border running from Smoke room
 took roses out of end of strawberry bed & up to Smoke room & planted a row in front
 of new rhodo [illeg] & up west end of do. and filled in vacancies with remainder
 Swallows & wagtails still here part swallows gone
 24 Horner Settle Photographed Austwick Hall & 6 views
 Oct 5 Last Swallow seen AH Wagtails just left. Woods just beginning to change
 colour.
 11 Gathered a bunch of roses Grapes all ripe & plums All windows & front door
 painted light oak by Handly Settle all old paint cleaned off work began on 8h and
 lasted till

(78)

1879 Oct 13 Put new Fire back in Dining Room grate
 Nov 13 (see below) Min 23o 14h 25” Skating on Clapham pond broke next day
 ,, Had a very fine bright Autumn after wet Summer

Oct 18 Mr J W Foster died Scarboro buried Horton 22 [illeg]
 25 Woods splendid colour after wet summer & 3 weeks fine [illeg]
 28 gathered a good bunch of roses at AH
 19 Austwick Parish Mr David Adams [illeg] as 1st Vicar
 Nov 7 gathered a nice vase of roses 11th 1st snow
 12 Min 29o; 13h 23o; 14h 25o; 15h – 30o Skating Clapham Pond broke next day
 19 Gathered a couple of [illeg] violets
 20 From 6pm to 9am Heavy NE gale carried away pole of top mast and all gear.
 Hurricane force at times see Decr 17
 Decr 2 Min 20o; 3d 17 ½ ; 4 – 16; 5 – 13o Snow 8 – 23o; 9 thaw 11 – 22o 14h Snow
 good Skating on Clapham pond for a fortnight
 14 Cut last bunch of grapes Muscat Hambro
 17 Took down Mast at A. H. after standing 14 years Decr 1865
 ,, Radcliffe began to cover in passage to back door & well finished it on or about the
 22d A capital job
 30 W J Walker Mr Farrer [illeg] [illeg] & left his wife & family pennyles and
 defrauded Mr Farrer
 31 Eliz Haythornthwaite Olivr Bateman Ferrer new Steward married Chapel le Dale
 by Mr Ward vic Clapham
 28 – 31 Severe to strong gales WSW; SSW allover England damage done Tay Bridge
 & 74 lives lost

(79)

1880 Jany 10 Put down fathers model of Ebbing & flowing well between fountain &
 fernery at A.H. (it was removed Oct 1873) to make way for Vinery)
 17h 20o; 19 – 22o; 21 – 21o; 22 – 21o; 24 – 24o; 25 – 26o -26 -27o 29 – 27o 30 thaw
 Februy There are five Sundays in Feby this year a fact which will not occur again for
 80 years.
 9 Thrushes sing first time 6pm wet
 18 Rodo Dahuricum in flower Bought Walnut arm chair wood grown at AH from Mr
 Walker Clapham £2. 0. 0
 22 Snowdrops fully out 24 frost
 27 Heavy gale begun [illeg] 5
 28 Dahurica Rhodees fully out
 March 1 Hard gale all night 2d snow 3 gale west
 5 Crocuses just opening – last apples
 6 Violets Blooming, red blue & white hepaticas out
 7 mazerean full out fine summer[?] evening
 9 Ribes & Elder bursting into leaf violets blooming ribes elder & [illeg] coming into
 leaf and thrushes singing now every morning and Evg
 13 Goosberry bursting into leaf Ribes in flower
 14 Jonquills in flower fine spring like weather
 15 Cold East winds 16 do 17 do Sowed peas & onions

(80)

1880 March 18 Primroses near fountain in flower coming out in Plantn
 19 Put up my own made Sundial on Front of Town Head House
 22 First wagtail Rhodo fulgens out
 24 Dafodils coming out Vines bursting out into leaf

26 Rhodo at Ebbing & Flowing well out (Crimson lake) Splendid weather this month
 bright and clear except 1 – 6 when we had east [illeg]
 April 1 Sycamores in Ley bursting 2 Thorns bursting
 3 Primroses appearances 5 Larches bursting
 24 At Bedston[?] Hill Observatory
 29 Saw Cuckoo 30 First Swallow 10 Tom Foster died port Hope Canada
 May 1 Thorns nearly out in leaf & some Sycamores Ley
 „ At York saw 15 in Equatorial just finished for Brussels
 5 First marriage in Austwick Moses Burrow of Low Bentham Eliz Preston Feizor
 6 106 – 11 Built Romsey Observatory at Austwick Hall 9. 18. 0
 8 Sycamores in Ley ½ out thorns full apple blossom out
 10 White Rhodo in front door do near fountain and large scarlet on lawn just coming
 out
 27 Ashes just bursting buds 29 Large beech full out Large oaks ½ out
 29 Completed Observatory first telescope night
 June 12 Left Home for Oberamergau 30 Left Antwerp for Hull
 July 3d Calver 6 ½ refractor are [illeg] sold it Jan 20h 1881
 6 Begun Hay time cut croft 1st vase roses
 10 Cut bottom half of meadow

(81)

1880 Aug & Sep Covered in Portico at front door made porch of it Hargers Settle £14
 12 First real summer day 72o
 16 Fine hot day 76 ledcroft 1 cart 1 round 10pm heavy thunder storm to 12.30 floods
 all over England
 17 Cut top of Meadow led bottom half 4 carts Temp 76
 20 Gathered last cherries
 21 Finished leading croft 2 carts = Croft 6 carts Little do 1 cart 1 rd first green peas –
 grapes begun to colour
 Aug 5 Heavy rain 1.46 inches today
 9 Fine hot sunny weather from this to Sep 1st
 11 – 77o; 14 – 80 ½; 16 – 80 ½ ; 19 – 80o; 27 – 80o
 Sep 3 – 76o; had a swim Cut first grapes Blk Hambro
 4 80o 69o-70o at 9pm
 7 Arthur Ingleby married
 10 Fine summer weather broke with heavy thunder
 14 Very wet shooting at Gearstones Farrers 6 guns 20 br
 cold raw autumn weather from this to
 26 Splendid weather from this to Oct 5th
 October 1 Put large ventilating pipe into W. C. & Sink in Pantry had all drains
 overhauled
 7 1st [illg] violet gathered. [illeg] rapidly falling easterly gales & rain from this to
 13 Very fine weather 19th Last Swallow

(82)

1880 October 20th 22o; 21st – 28o snow; 22 – 24; 24 – 25;
 22 Dr Deighton Clapham died 56
 27 abt 2pm came on a most severe NNE gales experienced for more than 30 years

blew hard all night
 28 all next day and all night only breaking
 29 on the morning of the 29 great damage done all over England Barom went down to
 28" 20 7 miles of Telegraph Lines blown down Settle & Carlisle Arncliffe Moors
 snowed up Woods greatly damaged
 Novr 25 Pulled down WC at back of W garden Wall
 27 Sent two planks of oak grown at Austwick Hall Top of Ley cut down 1862 to Bell
 & Coupland Lancaster to be made up into an Arm chair for dining room – 21 – 21 ½ ;
 Decr 16 Radcliffe finished potting house & Privy behind work shop (removed from
 behind garden
 18 snow hail sleet; thunder
 22 heavy thaw & rain 1.37 inches in night

(83)

1881 Jany 26 = ½ o below zero; 27 – 22
 Janr 8 – 13o; 9 – 15; 11 – 16o; 12 – 14o; 14 – 14o; 15 – 10o; 16 – 6o; 17 – 7o; 18 –
 12; 20 – 12 – 21 – 11 23 – 24o 24th – 13o 25th – 10; 20 – ½ below zero 27th = 0o zero
 11 Begun to remove garden wall W End of Vinery Xmas tree 13 & 14
 20 -23 Heavy snowstorm & frost in London all cabs busses etc stopped traffic stopped
 Snow blocks on all southern railways
 19 Sent my 6 ½ Calver Reflector to A. Kershaw 6 Albert Road Saltair
 22 Recd a 3 ¼ [illeg] [illeg] terrest do Barlow lens, tripod from A Kershaw
 Feb 2 Nurse Jones left us, took Chronomr to Brownhill & [illeg]
 ,, 21 Recd Arm chair from Coupland Lanc made from oak grown at Austwick Hall
 top of Ley cut down in 1863 £8. 10. 0 Conjunction of Venus & Saturn See Astro
 Notes
 Feb 7 Wm Hird began as Postman Austwick 28h = 22o
 Mar 1 = 13 heavy fall of snow 5 to 10pm
 2 = 13o; 4h 31o on the 4h Heavy falls & snow storm 120 trains passed Clapham
 junction Great damage done Midland blocked at Hawes junction 12ft snow
 10 First thrushes heard crocus just beginning to bloom snowdrops have been in flower
 a month but never opened on account of cold weather & snow [illeg] plants shooting
 up
 12 Splendid Summer day
 13 first primrose large bunch above vinery

(84)

1881 March 14 Emp Alexander Russia assassinated 3.30pm
 15 Fine summer day SF went Chesterfield
 16 V. interesting group sun spots very varied
 17 Sent [illeg] dog cart to Densdale Skipton
 18 Rho Daluricum bursting into flower
 21 1st wagtail Snow storm
 22 Equatorial Came from Cook York
 25 heavy fall snow 3 inches between 6 – 10pm
 28 Fine clear First adjustment of Equatorial
 22 Planted Spruce in Home plant Alder & birch in Newclose Plant
 24 Planted Thuycopsis in front lawn Evergreen privet & tree cotoneaster in Ley
 April 1 Vines bursting bud

10 Violets blooming & birds singing
 13 Fulgens in lawn nearly full out Primroses out in Plant Very few thrushes & blackbirds winter 79 80 have killed all only one pair of thrushes about
 18 Vines in flower and dafodils in flower
 24 Sycamores in Ley bursting bud strong NE winds
 27 1st Swallow Seen at AH Dhowers abt now
 28 Cuckoo heard 25 thunder latter part hail
 May 4 P Alice Lord Derby Duches Nassau & Some of Indian azalias flower out
 5 Sycamores Ley ½ out nearly finished spring cleaning

(85)

May 8 Splendid Summer day Plant in general half out Cherry blossom all out Large beech just burstin[g] all out
 9 Mr Knowles left Austwick. S & I went Weathercote Coates trap
 18 White Rhodo front of drawing room & fountain both fully out
 19 Large beech tree about half out
 23 Scarlet hybrid rhodo in front nearly out
 24 Apple bloom all out beech fully out oaks ½ out
 27 New bedroom carpet put down in our room [illeg] dining r.
 June 2 Mr and Mrs Byers SF & I went to Bolton Abbey 78o hot
 4 had 9 days splendid hot weather cloudless sky
 5 Scarlet thorns coming out also laburnum & rhodo p[illeg]
 8 37o Fountains fell white 8.30; 9th 33o; 10th 35o
 14 Left for Shetlands returned 25h
 30 SF & Self went to York Exhibition (10 in Equatorial Cooke tuesday
 July 5 78o hottest day violent thunderstorm Barom 29.20 Therm in shade 78o hot sultry & over cast; 2pm distant thunder to the Southd 7.45pm dense black Cloud bank came rolling up from SSW 8pm violent thunderstorm lightning seemed to come from all quarters flash after flash in very rapid succession almost continuous, many very close, centre of storm appeared to pass over Austwick towd Pennyghent abt 9pm it abated for a short time only to be succeeded by another bank from the same direction. About 9.30pm to 11.30pm we were

(86)

1881 July 5h enveloped in one of the most fearful thunderstorms I ever witnessed, certainly in England I never remember to have seen anything like its flashes of dazzling forked lightning succeeded one another almost as quickly as though the whole heavens seemed open and on fire. fire ran along the ground, darted upwards from the ground & from Cloud to [illeg] & from one cloud to another the noise was simply awfull in rage & fury. S & I watched it from our bed room till we we [sic] were afraid to look at it. The village seemed enveloped in flames, sometimes balls of fire then curved strikes] which when passing horizontal were subdivied into ligaments like a rope with strands untwisted. With the Exception of the Clam[?] river storm (in America) in 1864 I never witnessed anything like it. For about 2 hours it was simply awful. Fiery tongues of lightning darting in all directions in a most appalling manner. The storm lasted till 4 or 5am & few of any of the people in Austwick went to bed. About 11.30 it had so far abated so I turned in. I fully expected to hear of lives lost in the morning & I felt sure some of the oaks here were down, but under the Divine care of a Merciful God

all were safe in the village & I heard of no life but one & that a poor boy who was on his way from Bentham to [illeg] close & had missed his way & wandered up onto Newby Moor & was found dead (drowned) close to [illeg] hut on Inglebro. The New Inn Clapham was struck but no one hurt. The night

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- 1881 of 5 July will long be remembered in this neighbourhood. It far exceeded in the awful grandeur of lightning display the Storm of 26 July 1872 tho' the floods were not so heavy. We must have been in or near the Centre of the Storm which was felt all over these islands more or less. Dull and showery weather for some days after. The poor lad Lawrence Lee was only 6 years old & his fearful journey on that awful night. He left Bentham 4pm for Green Close wandered up to Sk[illeg] Bridge thence above Blake Bank (when last seen he was playing on a tin whistle & evidently missed his turning point on the moor by Newby Fell accross[sic] Clapham bottoms and along bottom of Allotment found jammed in the waterhole where the stream runs under the wall [illeg] Long Scars & East End of Allotment, close to gate abt 200 yds South of Shooting hut
- 11 Boy found by Hulley[?] [illeg] 6pm. Cut Meadow Mr Joshua Horner came (last time)
- 12 1st Strawberries Led Croft 13h Inquest of Boy New Inn Clapham
- 15 14 Led half meadow 15 Finished Hay
- 21 Photo interior of Observatory Horner Settle Hall, Kitchen clocks thorough cleaned Dining Drain[?] & oiled Mess[?] F[illeg] came
- 22 1st peas
- 29 Mr Horner left 11.29 his last visit (died 28 Sept age 70 8 weeks after
- Aug 1 Richard & Nurse Eliza went to Greasboro
- 2 SF & I went to Edinbro Dr Wolston & Portobello for 9 weeks

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- 1881 Sept 2 I came Home from Portobello 6h I, Richard and nurse returned to Portobello till Oct.
- 28 My old friend Joshua Horner died 8pm 70 (less 3 weeks)
- Oct 3 SF, Richd, Self & nurse ret from Potobello 63 days Mr Horner buried; went to Halifax on the 4h
- 10 Begun to remove Vinery from Garden to Kitchen garden
- 14 Heavy SSW Gale Bar 27, 93 Miss Nisbet came
- 15 Snow covered Hills Haile Showers & Fountains fell
- 21 23 Strong easterly gales for nearly a week
- 27 Finished Vinery removing Holmes put glass on 30th = 28o 31 = 21o
- Nov 1 Snowstorm gathered two last roses
- 8 Sold Chronom Brownhill 7£ took it down to Lpool 2d Feb
- 11, 15 Saw a house martin in Village both days heavy rains for a week
- 26 Ship British Navy foundred at Deal See my Journal vol 2
- 27 Last grapes eaten. Dahuricum in bloom Mild wet month
- Decr 4 Rhodo Daluricum front door nearly covered blooms
- 1882 1 Jan Went to Austk Ch in the morning decorations profuse the work of Mrs Adams & did not enter again this year
- 15 Wrote to Mr Adams explaining why I had left Aust Ch a coolness to some Extent all the Year the Vicar hardly ever called

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(City Brussels lost 7 Jan 83 S[illeg])

Jany 26 Went to Liverpool on 24 Mr Byers & Herbert arrived on 25 all went on board [illeg] tender at 2pm 26 started at once for S.S City of Brussels all mails & passengers on board where Herbert took his departure for New York at 2.30pm 26h

Feb 8 Herbert landed New York 1pm left on 10h for Winnipeg

14 Rhododendron Dahuricum full out

March 14 Chestnut pony Bobby came from Jos Dean Newby £19

16 Scarlet rhod near Eby well full out

22 Pony Carg arrd Drove Dobby first time in it to Settle presented it to S.F.

Apl 21 1st Swallow. Called last time at Mrs Holden Horton bef she left

22 Drove of Fanny last time to Station SF to [illeg]

24 SF & Self left for Hull Rotterdam [illeg] & Schwalbach

25 Old Grey Mare Fanny shot by Dick Prichd 24 years faithfully service buried above Copper beech & just to the left of the N walk about 30 yards above Bath house

May 5th Altered wine cellar into Wash house & joined it to back Scullery

8 Put Barnard grates into Library Hall South & West bedrooms

19 Saw Mercury with naked eye first time Eves 57 mins after sunset

July 8 Saw distinctly the Sharply defined black colour of a waterspout (AH) reaching up to a thunder cloud before a violent storm came on most severe for abt ½ hour about 6pm

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Pelualbach[?]

July 24 Kastichen[?] Diepenbach[?] German nurse comes from

30 1st peas Goosberries nearly ripe

Aug 31 Put Spaniel Charlie down 9 years old

Oct 8 Last Vase of Roses had a few Stragglers after

Nov 10 Went over the Royal Observatory Greenwich In London – 11

17 Most peculiar Aurora causing great magnetic disturbances all over See note in Observatory Notes

29 First real snow fall very mild winter on whole

Decr 6 One of the most severe Gales NNE & NE and driving snow Experienced for nearly 50 years as far snow drifts. All roads filled railways trains snowed up – Transit of Venus seen only in a very few places in the west of England

1883 Jany 23 Recd Larger[?] 5 prism Spectroscope Browning £9. 0. 6

Feb 2 New Fur Cloak SF Holmes Bradford

20 Sent Cooke 3 ½ Telescope to Wm Heath Royl Observatory Edinburgh £16. 16. 0

23 Rhodo Daluricum in full flower crocus & hyacinths out

25 First wagtail Summer weather from 22d to 5 March

March 10 Severe Storm all over England

15 Burst Cannon Shell with[?] 22 ounces water Min Temp 22 ½

26 Austwick Church alterations called restoration began

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Apl Fine clear Spring weather from 30 Mar to 16 April

3 Fine Aurora 4 Cut first Marsh Neil rose 5h Thorns and daffodils bursting.
 9 Indian Azalias in flower 16 First Rhubarb cut
 17 Mr Thos Ingleby Crow Nest Died
 19 Sycamores in Avenue bursting. Thorns ½ out
 22 Saw 2 Swallows Clapham 30 Cuckoo first heard AH
 May 1 1st Swallow at AH
 16 16 Camera recd Lancast B 17 Horner Photo AH from (J Ingleby died [?])
 22 went to Glasgow to See Dr Adams (Ch Bazaar
 24 Wm Metcalfe spent day at AH first time since 1877
 20 Left Home for Schwalbach via [illeg] & Keighley[?]
 June 14 Fred Byers took his B.A. degree Cambridge
 July 1 Left Schwalbach via Rhine & [illeg] [illeg] etc Saw Emperor[?]
 16 Begun hay time 17 I came home from Schwalbach
 30 Richard photod first vignette in Sailor[?] suit I [illeg] on 5
 Aug 17 Kathelien Diefenbach left us to go to Catteral Hall
 Sept 22 Took Kathelien to Hull & ent her home
 Oct Heard Richard Proctor FRAS lecture at Shipley
 7 last Swallow 24th Mrs Adams died
 25 Austwick Church opened after restoration
 29 ordered an Astronomical clock Mr Leming[?] 17£
 30 Finished New Drag Shippon New roof to Barn and stable at Feizor for David
 Wood Cost £105. 0 .0

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- 1884 Nov 14 Finished painting (outside) windows 2 coats doors 1 each railings 1 coat at
 AH Harrisons & Harup[?] windows outside 2 coats Doors etc do £8. 7. 1
 21 Mrs Byers left 4 weeks at AH
 30 Mr & Mrs Kirshaw Came. Mr Mirfield lecture on Sound School
 Decr 7h = 28; 8th 23o
 11 Severe gale WNW great damage & loss of life all over Engh coast
 17 Collected Signatures for P.M.G for a Post office at Austwick
 Sent off Memorial to Sir M Wilson to present to Post master
 1884 Jany 9 Robt Batty began work at New Library taking away earth from outside round
 old wash house
 10 Astronomical Clock arrd from Manchester TLee
 15 SF and Richd red from Greasbro 3 weeks 2 days
 18 Heard Prof Tyndall lecture at Royal Inst London (Rainbows
 Dahuricum bursting flower buds
 22 Severe gale & rain
 26 Heavy SSW gale Bar 27.57 in. Burst 3 bombs[?] [illeg] [illeg]
 Feb 8 Thrushes Singing. Dahuricum rhodo full out
 10 Last day of old smoke room dismantled on Mon 12h
 9th Full Lunar rainbow 6.15pm
 22-25 Built Transit anex to Observatory
 27 Radcliffe began to alter wash house & Smoke r for New library

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- 1884 March 10 Wagtail seen at A. H.

13 Floor laid in new library
 19 Mrs Harper nurse came from York
 20 Heard Dr Ball Astron Royl for Ireland lecture Shipley
 31 Post office at Austwick opened cost me £7. 13. 1
 April 1 New Library at A. H. finished ready for painting 5 weeks
 3 My 2d Son Noel born 11.45am Dr Knox Mrs Harper
 7 Sent for an 18in Transit Inst Frost London
 12 Transit Inst arrived
 13 S.F. got up first time S.F. dressed
 20 2 Swallows seen AH. SF came downstairs
 21 Alice Orr came as nurse
 23 SF dined with me in dining room
 May 4 Noel baptized Austwick Church Revd D adams
 6 Cuckoo Swallow & Martin
 8 SF down to breakfast 1st time for 5 weeks today Noel born
 14 Had my first smoke & read in new library
 15 Commenced painting library
 16 Robt & Jonathan & Miss Bigby[?] Sailed for America to find a new home
 27 Money order office opened at Austk P. Office
 ,, Removed all bookcases from library upstairs into new room
 28 Brought all books down into new library

[Inserted between pp 92 & 93 letter]

Wednesday 26th Decembr 83

30 Brunswick Square, Brighton

Dear Mr Clapham

I have sent yr Petition to Mr Fawcett[?], & have written, to him, asking his kind & favourable consideration of its contents

Ever yr very sincerely

Mathew Wilson

T R Clapham Esqre

Austwick Hall, Clapham, Lancaster

see p.344 Opened 31 March 1884 New Post Office at Austwick

Much inconvenience have been felt by the inhabitants, at not being able to procure money and [illeg] , stamps etc in the village it was mooted to petition the postmaster at Lancaster. All ended in talk however until I took the matter in hand, and quickly got a lot of signatures, forming a good representative list, which I forwarded to our member of Parliament Sir M Wilson requesting him to present it, with a petition I had drawn up, to the Post Master General Mr Fawcett[?], with the gratifying result, that the thing was established, and in working order within 3 months of my sending petition, much to the disgust of some busy bodies, who shewed more bounce than work. Rather than let the thing fall through, I fitted up the room at Cross House at my own cost £7 13s 0d (opened 31 March 1884 TRC

13 October 1892 at last after repeated bullying I have got the afternoon mail dell[?] at Clapham 4pm to be brought to Austwick by messenger on his way home letters to be called for at Austwick P.O commencing today

[Cutting from Craven Herald 6 March 1908 'The First Sir Mathew']

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- 1884 June 5th Rain after 4 weeks Splendid Summer weather
7 went to Weathercote (last time 19 July 83)
9 red from Weathercote
14 Plantations looking at best thorns just going back
Aug 3 Clapham Ch. reopened gallery pulled down new pulpit lectern & Choir Stalls
Sep 2 Lunar rainbow 9.30pm
3 Took my collection of Stuffed birds (103 specimens) to Giggleswick Grammar School presented them to museum
13 Recd a Voss Electrical machine Becker[?]
16 Two walnut trees felled at A.H. (dead)
21 Severe thunderstorm 4 – 5pm wh broke from Summer weather
Oct 6 Last Swallow
13 My first attendance Liverpool Astronom Society Meeting
23 Autumn tints Splendid best for many years quite like Canada
Nov 13 Put down pillar flag on clay bed, for New Observatory
20 Transplanted Espallier fruit trees into Kitchen garden
22 Rd Brown begun thinning all plantations Home Plant & dear bought
24 T Pritchd begun stone cutting for New Observatory
25 Took lining out of old observy & made ready to pull it down
Decr 11 Sent Observatory a present to A G[?] Kershaw 3 Tarn Villa Ilkley
13 New Observatory 12 feet arrived from Harger Bros Settle
15 Richards first lesson Miss McKenzie; Began the Erecting of Observatory

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- Decr 24 Finished New Observatory all but 2 stops & Skirting board
26 Mounted instruments in new observatory
1885 Jany 1 Went to Greasbro 3 Hooker Stand 5 retd[?] from Greasbro
15 Xmas tree 30 people Cossie Maggie Geo[?] Hodges Miss Hobbs here
16 Musical Evening
27 Went Wheathercote to meet Annie not having met three together alone for over 15 years (her crazy brained husbands fault)
Feb 10 Sent my 12 bore gun & case to Horsley York to Sell for me
13 Hepaticas & crocuses out Dahuricum shewing colour
15 Mt Byers last service at Greasbro Church
21 Went to Ilkley to here [hear] Kershaw
Marh 9 Fred Byers came 10h First wagtail
11 Dahuricum Rhodo full flower
12 Bought old clock out of Clapham Church 5/- old clock taken out Feb 16 1885 New Clock put in during Feb & March 1885 Robt Howson joiner Clapham 5 Nov 1905 (photograph clock 14 – 1 – 1901
15 Fred Byers left us
Apl 2 Sallie & I went to See her parents at Greasbro last time Rosa Thorn[?] left
8 I went to Greasbro walked from Neasbro with Fred on footpath
9 S & I went to see the place where the important question was put photod the wall just below H[illeg] then onto Hooker Stand and returned to Greasbro Vicarage 12.30
Mr Byers testimonial from Parish of Greasbro [illeg] 29 years vicar

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1885 April 11 SF and I returned from Greasbro brot Mr Byers with us
14 Regulated by Transit Inst Clapham Church New clock
18 1st Swallow; 1st Marschall Neil rose; red butterfly; hot day
21 The Byers all slept at Southsea for 1st time
23 Cuckoo (1st week in May hills covered with Snow
May 6 Thrushes nests now seen with eggs
12 Mr Byers left us to go to new Castle [Newcastle] 4 weeks retd here 21st
11 Went to Liverpool Astronoml Society meeting
14 Thrushes singing beautifully
17 Noel walked first time 1 year 1 mon 2 weeks old
18 Sent order for and half payt for 5inch achro Telescope Gruble[?] Dublin
21 Mr Byers returned to Austwick from New castle
23 Gentionellas ablaze of colour
14 Harger Settle began alterations in drawing room at AH pulled out cupboards and
put up arches in place and a new overmantle over fire place
25 Harger Finished Drawing room overmantle 12. 15. 0, 9. 0 0 x 24. 2. 6 drawing
room Harger 24. 2. 6 x dressing room Handby 8. 5. 6 [illeg] or night nursery = 21. 15.
0 Handly painter 8. 3. 6
June 1 Mr Byers left us for Southsea 7 weeks 2 days at A. H. Richard and Noel slept
in little night nursery first time
3 Sycamores nearly full out. Oaks hardly ½ out
5 Sent my 3 ¼ Wray Telescope to Mr Nicol M[illeg] Dundee
7 Heard Mr Adams last Sermon taken ill 11th died 14th

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1885 June 11 Painters finished drawing room & nursery
14 Mr Adams died 9.30pm SF & I saw him about 8pm after Chh
23 SF; Richd & Self left for Southsea Noel & nurse for Idle
26 Called at Hind Head House Surrey on Prof & lady Tyndall
July 8 S & Self left Southsea for London
12 Heard Canon Farrar preach at Westminster Abbey
14 We all 3, Self S.F. & Richd went to the "Zoo" (Su 2 Oct 1886 consult D Wallace
S[illeg] (I date my miserable 16 months brain trouble from this date)
15 We all returned to Austwick Noel and Alice from Idle
27 New Lamp Bath Cupboard 25/- lamp 5/6 = 30/6
Aug 13 Chris Ingleby called at AH first time since before 1877 & I think since 1872
ch warden
15 Professor Adams Kings Colg London called bro of the famous Astronomer
17 S.F. & Self went to Harrogate Dr bill 4. 4. 0; Bath ticket 2. 11. 6 one [illeg] 1. 0. 2
= £7. 15. 8
Sept 11 Saw new star in Andromeda Neb 3 ¾ Cooke telp Harrogate
14 Heard Rich Proctor the Astronomer lecture Harrogate
„ Recd from T Leeming a new 8 day mean time regulator clock in place of the faulty
one he supplied from Manchester
15 We all returned from Harrogate 29 days at Harrogate Self SF; Richd £25. 0. 9 at
Lupton west par Dr 4. 4. 0 spa tickets 2. 11. 6 Med 1. 0. 2 7. 15. 8
28 Fred Byers Came to AH 30 he left for Southsea
Octob 2 Painted New Observatory 2 coats Carson's paint

7 Last Swallow
29 Bishop Ripon preached Austwick Ch & inducted Mr Courteney
Nov 1 Mr Courteney's first Service at Austwick Ch
5 Recd a 5 3/16 inch O.G. Refracting Telescope OG & tube from Howard Grubb
Dublin £92. 0

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1885 Nov 24 New Sanitary pan & cistern to W. C. at AH 2. 19. 6
30 SF went to Southsea to See her father
Decr 4 I went to Southsea left Clapham 9am arrd 7pm
5 Richard went to the Baillies Settle
23 Went to Guil[d]ford lunched with Mr Capron & saw his Observatory
1886 Jan 4 Maggie & I sat up with Mr Byers 11pm to 3.30am on the 5th
5 Mr Byers died at Graysbrook House Nightingale Road Southsea 11.40am (65y 9m)
7 Mr Byers buried at Eastney Cemetary near Southsea
12 Richard Came home from Baillies at Settle
13 S & I returned to London from Southsea
„ I went to See Dr Huggins the Great physicist saw his Observatory and Instruments
th 14 S & I left London 12.20 arrd home 8pm Richd not at all bright
f 15 Richard not well
17 Heavy Snow fall in the night
19 13o minim
20 15o Min Called in Dr Williamson to See Richard 1st time
\$ 24 Dr Called in to See Richard
25 Dr Called. Richard did not Get up today, in bed till 24 Feb
„ pronounced it inflammation of lungs
Feb 8 Great Riot in London £80,000 property damaged destroyed by mob a sample of
Gladstonian weakness

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1886 Feb 11 Thrushes singing
18 Mrs Byers came to us from Southsea
24 Richard got up for 2 hours 4 weeks & 2 days in bed
March 1 Blinding Snow Storms all over the island, all northern lines blocked drifts 20
feet deep at Dent Head, trains snowed up one between Sunderland & Morpeth
Snowed up 48 hours
3 Storm broke this morning
6 Another blinding snowstorm in night more blocks
7 14o
13 went to Weathercote
15 returned from WCote walked down dale to Ingleton
19 wind changed SW after the most winterly severe March on record lines blocked
several times, many people lost in snow and thousands of Sheep lost.
24 went to Lancaster & Morecambe “summer” day
26 Dahuricum full out
27 went to Bainbridge to See Schoolmaster & optician Chas Lancaster ret by way of
Hawes
28 Fulgens rhodo ½ out jonquills & & crocuses dog tooth violets hepaticas out

April 1 went with Prof Hughes Cambridge Long Scar Gaping Gill Clapham
6 Fulgens out. Went to Horton moor Hughes & his Cambridge Students
8 Mrs Byers left us AH to go to Southsea went with her to Leeds
9 Weathercote with Prof Hughes & his party. Snowstorm in night

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1886 (26 Jany 1882 H. Sailed for New York) Christina Nisbet Came
April 13 Herbert Byers arrived AH 9.15pm and Liverpool 12 from Canada
17 Herbert left AH for London and Southsea
21 Horner Photod interior of observatory AH
24 First Swallow 29 Cuckoo
27 Tina Nisbet left us
May 6 Sycamores Ley ½ out thorns nearly full out large beech just shewing green
11 went to Southport & Liverpool Mr Brown 129 Canning Street
12 Saw the Queen Beatrice Connaught Battenburg drive to open the Liverpool
Exhibition, very wet day Heavy gale & snow storm nearly all the Swallows killed by
cold 25 picked up dead near one place at Kirkby Lonsdale
13 Saw the Queen & P[rince]ss Beatrice drive to Station early Good view Close to
Carriage "hatted" her majesty & recd a gracious bow in return
June 2 SF, Self, Richd Noel & nurse Alice Orr went to Southport
3 Herbert Byers sailed for Quebeck in Polynesia ard 12th
29 Josh Frankland taken ill
30 SF & Self & Children arrived home from Southport
July 3 Cut meadow 5 Josh Frankland died 45
10 Lead little meadow 5 loads well got hay
12 Polling day Clapham Morrison 4423 Sir M Wilson 4289
28 Gun license Henry
30 Self Richd Noel Alice Orr go to Southsea (Charles) Mr Lupton Spring Wood
Roundhay Leeds take AH for 2 months furnished 78 gns p week
31 S.F went to Southsea

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1886 At Southsea for weeks 10 weeks
Oct 1 The Luptons left Austwick Hall 9 weeks
2 Oct consulted Dr Wallace Southsea
8 SF Self & Children returned from Southsea to AH 10 weeks
Richard & I went to Weathercote Richds 1st night there
Nov 4 Richd I returned from Weathercote
Janet Hodges came to AH left 17h
22 S.F., Self Richd Noel Alice Orr nurse went to Edinbro to Miss Nisbet 28
Claremont Street where we stayed till Jan 1 1887
Jan 11 when we all went to Southport 68 Promenade & 14 Bath Street where we
stayed till 15 April
April 15 All returned home from Southport
Jany 24 Richard first went to School to Miss Adams Ventnor[?] House Promenade &
Saunders[?] Street Southport as day boy
Apl 14h Richd left school after 1 quarters tuition
Apl 26 1st Swallow seen by Richard

May 5 1st do by me Cuckoo heard today
4 Maggie Byers eng Mr Pyke (17 apl Fred Byers engd Miss Pyke Lancaster
14 Sycamores in Ley half out
SF & Noel Self and Richd photod 2 Cabinet size Horner Settle
21 Vegetation come on very rapidly last week. Large beech half out heavy gale night
of 19 hills covd with snow morning of 20h Snow showers this 21 morning
25 May to 13 June Self, wife 2 boys & nurse all went to Olkley for 3 weeks during
which time wife & I went to Manchester Exhibition 2 days

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- 1887 June 15 Saw a Common English Snake Slow worm in AH wood own records temp 15
49 min 75 max; 16h 50 82 ½ ; 17 55 78; 18 h 55 85; 19h 55 83 105 in Sun on 18th
20 Raised the larger union Jack onto the flagstaff on AH in Commemoration of
Jubilee day the Anniversary of the Queens 50h year of reign. Great rejoicing all over
England; Austwick decorated as in 1856 after the Russian war
21 Queen goes to Westminster to return thanks. My large Union Jack on the house all
day. At night wife & I drove to Lawkland Hall, Watkins, all went to the top of Black
Rigg to see the beacon fires on Ingleboro and Lake Hills. The one on Inglebro far best,
effect grand against a faint sunset. Beacon fores lit all over England from Malvern to
Caithness. See account in papers. The seen in London was unparalleled. Nearly all
European Crowned heads accompanied the Queen from Buckingham Palace to
Westminster Abbey. She had a body guard of twelve Royal princes headed by the
Prince of Wales. Many Indian princes [illeg] and several detachments of Indian troops
Representatives of all our Colonial possessions

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- 1887 Such a scene in London as was never witnessed before for Grandeur of display
June 23 Each town & village in England had fixed a day of rejoicing on account of
the Jubilee year of the Queens reign, and Austwick was not going to be behind hand
in shewing its loyalty. The first real step I believe was taken by the Vicar Rev W
Courtney in endeavouring to get subscriptions for a stained window to be placed in
the new Chancel of Austwick Church; this was not a popular movement and resulted
in feeble response from the Generality of the inhabitants. On the 2d of June there was
a public meeting held in the School at which it was decided to have an open air
Jubilee celebration after the Character of the Peace rejoiceings in 1856. Subscription
lists were opened and a sum of £40 was raised among the inhabitants and their friends;
the day appointed for the anniversary being Tuesday the 23 June. Committees of
various kinds were appointed to carry out each department of the programme the
ladies Committee taking the food department under their care. The programme
embraced

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the decoration of the village green with evergreens, two triumphal arches were to be
erected. A good meat tea was to be provided to all the inhabitants of the parish who
had contributed anything to the General fund. The tea was to be served on the Green
on tables suitably decorated. A band was to be engaged, and a sum devoted to prizes
for sports a small sum also was given for fireworks. Long before the 23th the various
Committees, had been actively engaged in the work of their respective department

and the work was none the less thorough for being quietly carried out. On the morning of Monday the 20th however a stranger walking through the usually quiet village would have seen it all bustle and work. Cartloads of young spruce trees were being carted from the plantations at Austwick Hall and planted all round the village green fifteen larch trees from the same woods were felled; their stems entwined with coloured cloth in spiral form red white & blue alternating. These poles about 20 feet long each were

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planted at equal distances round the Green enclosing a parallelogram. The bottom part of these posts were clothed with evergreens, their tops being surmounted by a trophy of flags converting them into very respectable looking Venetian masts. From the top of each mast depended a rich festoon of evergreens & flowers; the festoons being carried round the Green from mast to mast had a very pretty effect; they were decorated with flags as well as artificial flowers. Number of spruce trees about six to 8 feet high were planted in rows, and in various places round the village green. Two triumphal arches were erected; one across the road near the corner of Robt Stockdales house, another close to the little Shoemakers Shop. The woodwork was tastefully covered with red, white & blue bunting and evergreens; the principal supports being surmounted by a trophy of flags. TRC's. Between these supports was a semicircular arc bearing a motto in good bold letters "God bless our Queen, long may She reign" with a tasteful border of Evergreens and flowers. A tall mast about 30 feet high was let into the

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ground on that part of the Green opposite R Stockdales Shop (on the exact spot where the one in 1856 was erected) On this mast was run up a large handsome Union Jack flag the property of T R Clapham Four long tables were placed on the Green. One for the children was placed opposite Mr Willis' house. Another for the adults was placed alongside the wall between the Smithy and the Shoemaker's Shop. The other two being placed on the green nearly opposite to the urn. At each end of each table was erected a pretty bower of Evergreens. Between Mr Willis' house and the news room a suitable stand was erected for the band which was engaged from Bentham. The village cross was adorned with coloured bunting and flag and a large white ensign the property of T R Clapham floated from the bell tower of the church. The first part of the official programme commenced by the assembling of the school children at the school at 12.30 Here each child was presented with a Jubilee Medal Commemorative of the event. They were then formed in line two and two; after them came the ladies, the male portion of the community taking their places behind the ladies. The procession being duly marshalled and headed by a large banner bearing on one side a large portrait of our

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Queen and on the other side a suitable loyal motto marched from the School to the Church where a short Jubilee service was conducted by the vicar the Revd W J Courtney Opeing with the Jubilee hymn No 8 Sung to the "old hundred". After the Service all adjourned to the village Green and at 3pm sat down to a good substantial

meat tea the four carvery having two side tables allotted for their use. During the meal which lasted about two hours, the band played several pieces of music and Mr Horner was busily occupied in taking photographs of the Scene from different points of vantage. After the meal was over, to which about 800 sat down (including strangers) the Sports Committee commenced their duties. The first being a prize for Climbing the flagstaff on the Green; after which the rest of the Sports comprising running, jumping, pole leaping, obstacle races, sack race were carried out in a field kindly lent by J Foster. Now the band also adjourned and dancing formed a pleasant amusement to the assembled multitude. This went on till about 9pm when all returned to the Green to witness the fireworks which

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were under the direction of T R Clapham. The first rocket was sent up exactly at 10pm and a very pretty little display followed, consisting of rockets, wheels, blue lights, roman candles and a variety of other pieces. Three balloons were provided but the wind being too strong at the commencement of the firework display they were not used. The fireworks lasted till nearly 11 pm when after a few complimentary speeches the assembly broke up. It would almost seem invidious to single out names when so many had exerted themselves to make our Austwick Jubilee a success. The following however on the various Committees. The decoration of the village was done by Mr Daws artist to whom the idea of the festoons he was mainly due. Mr William Handley, T R Clapham, Rd Wilson, Henry Sheppard, Wm Brown, F Foster. The food department was most ably carried out by Mrs Capstick, Mrs Stockdale, Mrs Clapham, Miss Carradice, Mrs Haygarth etc. The Sports were under the Superintendence of Messrs Sheppard & Swale, T Haygarth R Whitfield, Wm Hird and others. The weather which had been fine and hot for a fortnight continued and the day was all that could possibly be desired in that way. The

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sky was clear and cloudless resulting in a max temp of 83. A hearty cooperation and good feeling reigned throughout each and all being determined to let nothing mar the pleasures of the day. The only drawback, if it could be called such, being the advent during the afternoon of a half drunken depraved young men from Settle the presence of which could have well been dispensed with; and apart from which I did not see a single drunken or disorderly person amongst our village or district visitors.

24 [illeg] There being an abundant supply of provisions remaining from the previous days festival, it was decided to have a supper on the village green the following evening Exclusively confined to the inhabitants of the village so at 7pm we all sat down to a good substantial tea & meat supper during which three fire balloons were sent up by T R Clapham. After Supper a few extemporised races were got up. One for old married men, another for married women, Several childrens races, a married mens flat race caused considerable amusement, the competitors being the vicar Revd J Courtney, Wm Stockdale, T R Clapham,

[inserted]

A few names of Subscribers to the Jubilee Windows Austwick Church 1887

Mrs Ingleby 35. 0 .0

Christ Ingleby 20. 0. 0

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| R B Watkins | 15. 0. 0 |
| J J Willis | 25. 0. 0 |
| Revd F Howson | 10. 0. 0 |
| Rev W J Courtney Vicar | 3. 3. 0 |
| Wall Bairstow | 5. 0. 0 |
| Mr Robt Ingleby | 1. 0. 0 |
| John Ingleby | 1. 0. 0 |
| T R Clapham | 1. 0. 0 |
| Ann Clapham | 1. 0. 0 |
| F Mattinson | 1. 0. 0 |
| Robt Simpson | 1. 0. 0 |
| M. Faraday | 1. 0. 0 |
| Dr Whaley | 1. 0. 0 |
| Revd A Ingleby | 1. 0. 0 |
| Wm Stockdale | 0. 10. 0 |
| J Capstick | 0. 10. 0 |
| Henry Foster | 0. 10. 0 |
| Agnes Shepherd | 0. 10. 0 |
| Mrs Chapman | 0. 10. 0 |
| Mr Foster Horton | 0. 10. 0 |

136. 1. 8 ½ Subscriptions

16. 5 interest

136. 18. 1 ½

[illeg] [illeg] bill for

windows 133. 16. 0

[illeg] 0. 5. 0

[illeg] 0. 3. 6

postage 0. 2. 6

Balance 2. 11. 1 ½

136. 18. 1 ½

Annie's Memorial window July 1889

[illeg] [illeg] 68. 0. 0

3 light window

By Subscription 32. 16. 5

T R Clapham 35. 3. 7

68. 0. 0

Christ Ingleby window April 1890

[illeg] [illeg] 46. 0. 0

Subscriptions 47. 11. 3

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Mr Dawes, J Capstick. A young woman's race also caused a good deal of fun. Then our energetic postman W Hird brought his Concertina to bear upon the scene and dancing was entered into with vigour on the village green, our happy Jubilee amusements terminating about 11pm. The weather during all the Jubilee celebrations

throughout the country has been "Royal" weather. It is many years since such a prolonged season of drought has been known. The temperatures for the "Jubilee week" & that following has averaged a max of 80o 9[illeg]) and the only drawback has been the want of rain for the crops all over England.

30 Lead little croft, cut yesterday, one cart load hay

The drought

July 5 Thunder rain today after a dry season of no rain for 6 weeks & 1 day. From the 13 June the day we returned from Ilkley we have had hot weather and Cloudless Skies for 3 weeks previous to the 13th June the weather at Austwick was stated to have been dry with east winds. Vegetation came on very rapidly from the 14 to 21 May on the latter date snow fell & we had cold dry easterly winds the temperature

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cold for a few days after but dry abt the first of June it became so warm & continued increasing (See register at end of book) Meadows which were late in being cleared were short of grass, pastures got very poor on thin land and the usual grumbling from farmers Hay [illeg] rarely good Where the land had a chance to [illeg] by being early cleared Upon the whole The month of June has been the hottest Known for many years

July 14 Cut little meadow; had it on the 18h well got fair crop 4 loads Margt Maynard left us; She came on Sat 25 June 3 weeks 2 days

18 Removed Hall Clock from above fire place where it had hung since May 1858 nearly 30 years, and placed it above fireplace in Smoke room. Removed

[newspaper cutting]

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1887 July 18 Mean time Regulator from Smoke room to the hall.

21 Self Wife Richd & Noel and Alice Orr (nurse) all go to Southsea left Clapham 9am. Do. to spend holiday with Mrs Byers arrived about 6pm

23 Witnessed the grand Jubilee Naval review at Spithead I and Mr Shears of Southampton went to [illeg] point where we had a magnificent view of the whole spectacle With the aid of my telescope saw the Queen & the Royal party as they steamed between the lines of the fleet

22 Sallie & Cossie & I went by Steamer from Southsea pier & steamed all round the fleet at anchor

Aug 11 12.3pm to 1.30am saw the torpedo attack upon the fleet as they lay at Anchor in the roadstead, an interesting sight. see Jubilee Nos of Illust London News Richd and I took a boat up the harbour of Portsmouth and moored alongside a coal hulk from which we had a very good view of the launch of the largest armour plated turret ship in the British navy viz HMS Trafalgar. Splendid weather for all the above interesting Events.

July 28 Thursday went to Goodwood Races Cup day saw the Prince of Wales close to him.

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Oct 4 Tuesday Self, Wife, Richd, Noel and Alice Orr (nurse) left Graysbrook Southsea and left Portsmouth by the 9 am train intending to return home that Evg all

went well till we arrived at Esher half way between Guilford[sic] and London when the Engine broke down in consequence of which we did not reach St Pancras till 1 ½ hours after we ought to have started north. Proceeded by 3pm Stopped at Sheffield for the night as we cd not get through; went to Midland Station Hotel 6.30pm after tea sat in & I went to Mr John Hall, for an hour.

5 S. Self & Richd Left Sheffield by the 8.55 train for Rotherham S went to Dr Hardwicks Richd & I took Cab to the bottom of Carr Hill & walked to Greasbro. Called at Vicarage found Mr Beard at Ch Congress saw study dining & drawing rooms walked round the garden. Went into Church saw the tablet in memo of Mr Byers Went into school & had a talk with Mr Palmer schoolmaster. Called to See Mrs Bottomly[?] Mrs [illeg] Mr [illeg] Alfred Myers all very pleased to see in retd to Rotheram abt 11.45 lunched at Dr Hardwicks saw the Dr for a few minutes & returned to Sheffield by the 12.55 train paid bill at hotel & left Sheffield by 2.20 arriving Clapham abt 5.30pm. Henry met me with pony car and arrd at our dear old home abt 6pm 77 days out

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- 1887 Oct 9 \$ Richard (my Son) begun to go to Austwick Church regularly to the Sunday morning Service age 9 years 4 weeks
10 Richd went to School for first time regularly (the Exception being a temporary attendance at a girls school at Southport where there was a Class for Small boys See April 14 1887) I decided to Send him to our village school at Austwick as we have a good teacher in the Master. Mr Leaver and I quite believe in the Superiority of the grounding that boys receive in good elementary schools over that of public schools. Richards age when he went to school 9 years 4 weeks
24 Planted 3 oak trees in the grounds at Austwick Hall in commemoration of my 50h birthday yesterday Sunday
No 1 Oak just above iron gate & south of low walk 13 feet high
No 2 Oak on bank above garden below chestnuts 6ft 6in high
No 3 oak in Cockpit top of Grey Garth height 3ft high
This last Oak I got at Schwalback Germany 6in 30 June 1883
1 Beech abt 2 feet near the west End of Site of old pond near Bathhouse from Schwalback
1 acacia from Stol[illeg] on the Rhine 1883 June top garden opposite Sweet Broom
All the above were planted by me on Monday the 24h October 1887

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- 1887 Friday Oct 22 Mr Watkins son John abt 10 who with his brother Philip had been to Giggleswick School one term was suddenly taken ill and died abt midnight. Cholera. Philip also had been ill with scarlet fever but was progressing when his brother died 13 other cases in the School. Ever since that swaggering fellow Dr Barry health officer and his underlings have been at work on sanitation they have apparently made matters worse than they found them & Giggleswick I fancy is no exception Especially at the Grammar School where periodic outbreaks of sickness occur. The sudden death of John Watkins at the School has been a great blow to Mr & Mrs Watkins. This is the first child out of a family of 20 which Mr Watkins has lost I think the above is an answer to the question I have often put, "Shall I send Richard to Giggleswick School?"
Nov 19 Richd & I went to Weathercote Richd Secd visit returned [illeg] 21st
25 Bot a Defries Lamp 16/6 Redmayne Ironm[onger]s Settle also small one for Kitchen

10 Decr Sat Being holiday Took my Son Richard to see a little grouse drive on the Inglebro Allotment there were only 2 guns John Ingleby and old Dick Pritchard and it was amusing to see how my old Keeper took to the lad and he to the old man They were never separated all day and the old Keeper seemed

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- 1887 proud of coaching one of the Second generation: the bag was 5 brace John 3 ½ Dick 1 ½ only 4 drivers the last day of the season
Decr 20 tuesday Self wife & my two boys Richard and Noel & nurse Alice Orr went to Souport[sic] lodged at Mrs Harrisons 14 Bath Street
21 Constance Byers came to us at Southport intending to return with us to Austwick after a visit of ten days or a fortnight
28 Wife Confined of a daughter at 14 Bath Street Southport about a month before being due Wednesday morning 2.15am
- 1888 Jan 6 Wife up for first time 8h up and in chair
10 Registered daughter Annie Catherine Register office Southport
12 Mrs Rigby left New York for Italy arrd 30 in Liverpool
15 wife able to come into Sitting room
25 My daughter Annie Catherine baptised by Canon Cross St Andrews Southport
28 Cossie left us for Southsea 30 Mrs Rigby & Mr Prowse at 14 Bath St
Feb 3 Wife Self and two boys & nurse left Southport 11.40 and Austwick 4pm
Mar 9 Frid Emperor of Germany died 8.30 within a few days of 92 years
13-15 Terrible snow storms all over Europe and America
March Strong NNE winds & snow storms all through the month which kept vegetation[sic] backward. On
Ap 4 apl4 the ground was all covered with snow again
1 Easter Sunday Mr Courtney our vicar Early morning 8am Communion at Austwick Church

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- 1888 Apl 4 The Byers remove from Nightingale Road Southsea to their new house No 27 South Parade which they have named Graysbrook They Expect to sleep there on 5h thursday
10 We have at last got rid of the bitterly Cold E & N winds which we have Experienced all through Feb –March & up to the 10 April. The spring is backward and land shews no signs of spring which will be all the better than growing in March & Everything cut back in May as we do often have had. The snowdrops are still in flower & have been Ever since our return from Southport on 2 Feb & now the dafodils are just opening out. 12 we had [illeg] rain nearly all night
12 Marked for thinning the plantation behind garden also New Closes under Norber & Long Tram which run down to Thwaite Lane Old Wm Spedding Cut them out. Violets & primroses the latter just coming out daffodils & dog tooth violets latter full out former coming out.
15 Rhodo fulgens at dining rm windows full out one bloom tree going back: the one on lawn dead.

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1888 Apl 16 Sanded Ley walk cart loads
Wm Spedding 2 ½ day sand getting 7/6 leading
,, 4 days thinning plantations 4 days 12/- Ley walk made 4ft wide & well stoned
Jany 1876
7 Sat Went to Weathercote over the weekend returning on Mond 9h found Wm
Metcalf better than I expected and glad to see me; very quiet & reserved but
gradually failing. It was well I was there to prevent an intrusion on their family burial
place. John Kidd of London died ordered grave by his agent Jos Bentham of Ingleton
who acted as his agent Went down to Chapel yard on Monday morning the 9 Apl Saw
a hole made within 5 feet of Capel[sic] wall close to Metcalfes burying ground, called
Wm Metcalfes attention to it. Went down at his request and made a sketch plan &
measures; whilst there the man who was digging turned up a skull (believed to be old
Frank Metcalfes. Went to vicar Mr Burrows who went with me to Weathercote. Had
to tell Wm who seemed to feel it much. Met Bentham, to whom information had been
sent, & explained matter to him. He took the matter in almost a brutish manner &
acted as such I heard when he got to Chapel le dale. However the hole was filled up
and Kidd was laid nearer his relatives. I recd a letter of thanks from my

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1888 April old friend Wm Metcalfe for what I had done; it may be the last letter I shall
have from him as I hear today 23 that he was in a fit on Sat 21 and unconscious for
over an hour
26 1 Swallow 1st Rhubarb
27 fri Wm Metcalfe died at 4am at Weathercote aged 73 years 6 mo I had intended
going up on thursday 26 having to go to Settle I purposed going via Ribble Head, this
day being fair day at Settle I decided to put off my visit to the following day Went
from Settle on friday the 27 arriving at Weathercote abt 1pm and found I was too late
to see our dear & true old friend alive he having died at 4am that morning Stayed with
Mrs Haythornthwaite & Wm Hodgson till 5pm when I left for home. Eliz Hay shewed
me the body the features calm & peaceful. During the night his last he said “wheres
Tom” “isn’t he here” on being informed that I had been here a few days ago he said
“oh I wish he was here” The letter I recd last week from him was the last he ever
wrote & I noticed an addressed Envelope to me he Evidently had intended writing
again to me about some topic. A thoroughly good man gone and a great gap made in
my few friends

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1888 Ap 29 \$ heard cuckoo for first time
May 1 Drove up to Weathercote with Henry Shephard to attend the funeral of William
Metcalf; took Henry into Cave and shewed him all my old childhood haunts.
Weathercote will never be the same to us now that our old friend William is gone
(pouring wet day).
2 Sycamores & thorns in Ley coming into leaf
9 Wed Anniversarry (11h) of our marriage. It is the first time it has happened on the
day before Ascencion[sic] day as well as on Wedy the 9h fell on Wednesday in 1883
Ascencion was rather 3d this year it was the same in Every way as 77 + tues 8
10 Ascencion day went to Commn Austk Church Gloucester Cathedral Ascencion

May 10 1877

11 Gentionellas nearly out ribes in flower; Sugar maple ½ out wood full of primroses; horse chestnuts ½ out thorns nearlt full leaf. Summer weather vegetation coming on rapidly

Painted all window jambs outside Carsons paint intend painting frames white Carson's in powder

5 A nest of thrushes fledged top of Avenue earliest

11 Thrushes and blackbirds nesting

16 Thrushes singing vigorously. The Stock of these

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1888 May loveliest of English song birds are rapidly increasing after the disastrous winter of 1879 – 80

16 Put linoleum down over Smoke room floor Harger £5

18 Large Beech leaf out 20 Cherry blossom out very full

24 Large white Rhodos fully out Apple blossom out very full Large oaks just showing colour do Ashes 29 Large beech nearly out

30 Richard passed his first inspection at Austwick School by Govt Inspectors Messrs Roper & Neville Rd passed in all

29 Commenced to paint all windows at A.H (outside) with Carsons white paint in powder – painter myself

June 3 White lilac out purple ½ out Oak half out do Ash late laburnum just showing yellow of closed flower – fully out

6 Scientific dress class in Smoke room SF [illeg]

14 Finished painting all windows at AH Carsons paint at least all the main windows 3 small ones being yet to do. Made New chair back to fathers old garden Seat under Chestnuts

24 \$ First gooseberry tart Plantation looking at best Rhodos Laburnums & lilacs out in full bloom. Some of the [illeg] are far from being in full leaf. Oaks not really full leaf Yet. Walnut large[?] only out half leaf yet

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1888 24 June 10.15pm Can see time by watch easily; with Spectacles Can see fine second pointer

25 Last of scientific dress sessions; 25" map 82 ½ o, 26th 84o 30h min 44

July 2 Heavy rain 2 days; today heavy flood in beck first for above a Year

6 Planted ferns and ivy round Porch at AH

10 Cut little croft 12h Cut meadow 11h M Maynard Came to us 40o

11 Very cold; Snow in many places in England, even in Hampshire lake hills covered 6 inches in Scotland in Greece 104o crops burnt up

18 Lead little Croft 1 ½ load 19h lead all little meadow 6 good cart loads

Snowstorms in July 1888 [3 newspaper cuttings]

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1888 26 Fanny Hodges here 2 days

July 27 At Morecambe with my sister Annie: Richd and I took her for a row on the Bay.

30 I papered gun room for Science Laboratory
 31 M Maynard left / 3 weeks/ Mrs Byers & Maggie come
 Aug 8 Volunteer Artillery plainly heard from Morecambe 3pm Maggie Byers left here for the highlands returned 3 Sept
 24 Received from Robt Windle nephew and heir to part of old Henry Fosters (my old servant) property my fathers silver lever watch which he Henry Foster has been waering since abt Decr 1863 when in a foolish moment made an Exchange with Foster who was then living with us as servant. We simply Exchanged watches.
 30 Frid Wm Byers and Annie Pyke married Biddeford N Devon
 Sept 11 Sarah, Mrs Byers & Maggie left for Southsea SF for 2 weeks
 6 Mrs Byers Maggie Sarah & Self 2 boys Annie P went to Feizor photod Mrs B & baby Anniw Cath; Maggie & Noel; Sarah & Rich.
 11 photd Clapham wood Hall for Prof Tyndall walked to Standard on B[illeg] returned by way of hut Hawkheath Lawsing to AH
 15 Swallows This morning more than a hundred swallows were hovering at a great height over the garden & have not yet since been seen 4pm. This is evidently the departure of the colony the remaining stragglers will be those hatched late in the summer 15 Sep is date when the mass of then leave us.

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- 1888 Sep 26 Sarah returned from Southsea 2 weeks 2 days
 28 Mr & Mrs G F Chambers FRAS came left Oct 1
 Oct 1 Heavy snowfall after a fortnight of fine Summer weather
 24 Alice Orr left us after 4 years 6m as nurse; 37 [illeg] as housmaid
 16 Had all the children photographed Horner Settle
 25 Horner photod De la Russ[?] Saturn & Jupiter for lantern slides
 Nov 16 Friday Mrs Robt Ingleby taken ill Excessive vomiting & weakness Sarah went down in the evg & thought her aunt was dying but recovered somewhat Mrs Jefferson arrd on Wed following 21st Sarah never left her aunt from 16h to
 Decr 21 Frid All went to Southport Mrs Boswell 16 Portland Street Jane Moore housmaid, as nurse 20th Annie Self wife Richd went to Concert Rehersal Annie (sister) took cold washing her head and coming up to say "goodbye" to us before her hair was dry.
 22 Sat School breaks up: Annie at the concert and got more cold, which settled on her lungs
- 1889 Jan 10 Thursday I was telegraphed for, and left Southport for home. Ard Austwick about 6pm; went to Beck House, and after 12 years, shook hands with my brother in law, J C Peters who was thoroughly broken down about his wifes Serious illness My words for 12 years were "Jim I'm very sorry for you" this seemed to sober him & I think he felt my words cut deeply & he must have felt ashamed

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- 1889 Jan 10 Remained above an hour at Beck house and saw my sister for a few minutes alone; her breathing was hard & short, lips purple, skin very dry, except forehead, wh was moist; her mind quite clear tried to tell me something about parcels & Richd, I left her & had another short talk with Peters, & then went up to my own house, but slept at John Inglebys where I also had meals.
 Frid 11 Came home & saw letters 11am went to Beck House Drs Whaly & Metcalfe

in consultation; sat with Peters till it was over & heard the verdict. Dr Whaley says "Your sisters state is critical but not hopeless" He said it was "creeping pneumonia on the lungs, worse than ordinary inflammation a few days might bring about a crisis either for good or bad. He hoped blood spitting would set up, as it wd relieve the lung. Perfect quiet and good nursing was what was most needed"; left home about noon to write to Sallie Saw Annie 3 times today 11, 4 & 8pm

Sat 12 Noon just returned from seeing Annie I found she has had a bad night & little sleep, but her mind quite clear & her voice I thought stronger. I only

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1889 Jan 12 Sat stayed with her a few minutes, holding her hand whilst I told her about Sallie & the boys. I took the opportunity of asking what she wished about the parcels, she said "I want what is in it and with what is in the B to be made up to 300 for Richd I want 20 put in for a start for Annie Catherine"; this is the whole of what I could gather from thursday evening and this morning. This morning I asked her twice is it all, or do you wish it all to go to Richd? She said "yes all". May God grant that she may be spared to us, and that these poor worldly things may have to be returned to her. I thought it my duty to try to ascertain my sisters wishes if it could be done without doing any harm.

16 Wed Drs Whaley & Metcalfe report improvement in Annies case temperature slightly lower, pulse better breathing do.

17 thurs Thursday morning 7.45am went down to Beck House from Mrs Robt Inglebys to see dear Annie before leaving for Southport. She said "go by all means and give my best love & kisses to Sarah and the children" I did not think her looking so well & a moan accompanied her breathing, but as she had rallied so often I thought

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I could run down and see my own dear ones for a day & she thought so too. I kissed her hand and forehead and left the room a few minutes before 8am this was the last time I saw her alive

18 frid 12.1 noon dear Annie passed away very suddenly & very quietly. Her eyes became suddenly fixed upon dear fathers portrait in her room, then they closed and a heavenly smile passed over her face. I left Southport 1.55pm, arrd Clapham 5pm, then heard the news; drove home & remained alone till 8pm when I went down to Mrs Robt Inglebys & then onto Beck House.

19 Sat Went with Peters to Clapham to arrange about grave; at the last moment he expressed a wish that she shd be buried in fathers grave. I went to Settle ordered cards & in the Evg Mr & Mrs Peters came. Went down abt 7.30pm & remained ½ hour till Peters read aloud a letter from his brother, & beginning another from his niece, when I jumped at once & said I had letters to write – stranger want of thought. Mr Wm Peters came out & walked up the road a little way & asked me if all was being done as to

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1889 Jany the funeral met my approval "I said Your brother and I are perfectly agreed on everything: I came here to try to do my duty to my sister & your brother" He said You have done, and I sincerely thank you for the way you have acted; there is not one in a

hundred would have done as you have done” went up home to write out [illeg] [illeg] & this.

\$20 John Wilman of Feizor called at Mrs Robt Inglebys about 9.15 and wished to have a few words with me. I walked with him in the fields towards Clapham. He told me there is a tin trunk at their house, which Annie had kept there for some years; it was for me, but Annie did not want JCP to know anything about it. She was in the habit of opening it occasionally to take out or put in things, and John W said the last thing she took out of it was a tea pot, which was given as a Xmas gift to my wife. Another instance of the kind of deception my dear sister had to practice. I shall never know half the troubles she had to undergo. John Wilman said the box contained amongst other things a great many papers. I said I would see to it and try to get it home when I returned. Dear Annies first Sabbath in heaven. Oh what joy

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She must be having [illeg] with our earthly Father She loved so well & in the presence of Him She faithfully tried to serve. In the afternoon went over to Clapham and had a pleasant hour with Mr & Mrs Ward

2 After breakfast walked over to Clapham to see the Grave opened; the Sexton had got down 5 feet 6 or 8 in and no bones disturbed. Told him to stop. I also told him on no account to allow any one to touch the headstone without my written instructions. Came home & wrote to Morphet of Helwith bridge & inclosing inscription telling him he was not to add any other names on the tombstone than those I sent, as it was my property. Spent Evg and afternoon in addressing cards. Lay awake thinking as to my best course for the future. Thought of writing to J.P from S’port, but a better thought was given me, namely to have a final talk with him this afternoon or Evg I must have 22 tues some definite line of action & have been trying to prepare what I ought to say. Left Beck House 1pm arrd Clapham 2pm to my sorrowing work. After service was finished I stepped up alone to the grave and dropped

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1889 Jany 22 tu onto the lid of the coffin a pretty boquet of flowers and maidenhair ferns made by Henry Shepherd my old servant from flowers grown our own home, offered a silent prayer and left the grave side. Saw many people who I thanked as well as I could. Mr W Mrs W P and Henry & son left the grave side for their own homes. I walked home with JCP and spent nearly 2 hours in search of a document. Went to tea at J Inglebys called to see Margt Shuttleworth and then to look into a box of Annies no deed or papers. Then to Beck House to another trying duty as to the line of my future conduct to JCP [illeg] to continue in the long path of 12 years which he himself had staked out for me. I had previously named this intention to Mrs Robt Ingleby who fully endorsed the wisdom of it.

23 wed Left Austwick about 19.15 for Clapham Station & took the 8am train for Lancaster & Southport where I arrived about noon.

25 frid Returned home from Southport and had the tin box brought from Feozor. Examined contents but did not find what I wanted, and returned to Southport the same night.

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1889 Stayed at Beck House till 9.40 & then asked him to come with me to the door. I told him it was my intention as he had so planned out my path 12 years ago I intended now my duty to her was done that I should continue to walk in it (see full memo in book in my safe) he seemed cut up and ashamed of himself.
Mar 8 Frid. We all viz Self wife 3 children & Jane Moore housemaid returned from Southport after stay there of 11 weeks
13 Wednesday My wife and I opened mothers work box which was given to me by my sister and there found her thoughtful care all the different articles therein were labelled with the name of the persons she wished them to be given viz myself, wife, Richard. Devided all the things as she wished also opened the large tin box from Feizor which contained a quantity of plate some old Family plate of real silver and the rest of the box was filled with electroplated goods. The contents of this box of course were for myself.
21 First wagtail at Austwick. Rhodo Dahurican ½ out Put up panelling in hall on west side of front door on which to hang coats & hats &c Kirkbright carpr Jane Haythornthwaite came to us
26 Fathers clump of jonquils out also dog tooth violets out
abt 21 Thrushes nest with four eggs top of avenue Ley
Ap 10 Ribes ½ out; thorns & larches just bursting; primroses appearing cold spring & backed east winds for 3 weeks from now

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1889 Apr 6 I saw Swallow today Clapham Station. Richd heard cuckoo Alfred Prowse left us today he came on the 17th
29 I saw Swallow at A.H.
May 2 Cuckoo in Austwick Hall wood
3 Sycamore in Ley early out bursting into leaf, thorns ½ out [illeg] in flower; spring coming rapidly last 2 or 3 days 6h Max 73o 5h 70o
5 Walked under laburnum arch top of avenue an old cock thrush sat in the branches within 6 feet of me as I passed but did not move. My wife & Richard did the same later in the day
7 Cherry blossom out vegetation bursting into green all at once
14 Sycamores nearly fully out; big beech half out; thorns in full leaf gentians, auriculas & cowslips in flower
Ebing & Flowing well phenomenon
14th Walked to Settle and arrived at the well a little before 10 am Saw the very rare and curious phenomenon of the "Silver cord" or air current passing from one aperture to the other. It broke occasionally and again started from the western aperture running across from one aperture to the other very [illeg] about two seconds. The appearance of the air current was that of a piece of

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galvanised or polished Fine wire of about the diam[eter] of 3/16 inch or Birmingham wire gauge of No 7 I was much interested in this as I have not seen this curious phenomenon for more than 20 years although I have occasionally heard of its being seen. The siphon phenomenon was not working but the condition of the water was such that the side holes could barely carry out the supply very little or none passing out by way of the gratings on each side.

[diagram]

The silver cord was bent a little more towards the Eastern aperture; but when broken commenced at the west aperture

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- 1889 May Lathed and plastered over old oak beams in Attics at Austwick Hall on North side J Radcliffe also made new step all the way up back stairs
16 Large white Rhododendrons out
21 Apple blossom full out. Also Lily of the valley the latter I have never seen so full of flower since I have had them they are a mass of fine bloom stems. The hot weather seems to have suited them. This has been the finest & most pleasant month I ever remember. Fine clear sunny days & but little thunder 5h 70o; 6th 72 ½ ; 7h 71 ½ ; 20h 74 ½ ; 21st 75o; May Swallows very few indeed altho' the month so fine
30 Oaks & beech full out ashes half out latter late. Laburnum nearly fully out scarlet thorns shew colour; peonies [illeg] out. One of the finest and most enjoyable months I ever remember no wind or frost to damage foliage summer weather all through the month to the last week when we had a great deal of thunder but none very near. Much damage in places
\$ June 2 Heavy thunder 8 – 9am day steamy & hot but overcast. Between 3 & 4pm storms brewing up all round; from 4 to 6pm we had a most

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fierce storm of thunder & lightning, or rather a series of thunder clouds warring against each other and the earth. Some of the flashes were vivid and one or two very near. About 5pm I never heard anything so grand as the Explosions of sound when the heart of the storms was over the Ribble valley; where it was the proximity of the mountains Pennyghent & Moughton & the dense bank of sound reflecting cloud above the effect was most grand, most resembling the Explosions of mines or a rapid volley of artillery. One could not fail to be impressed with a sense of immense power being Exercised. During this afternoon Storm Mrs Robt House was struck. I examined the place. In the top attic on gable wall next to road a hole was made the plaster being projected inward about 10 feet below this there is another mark in the wall as if it had left the down spout and entered following the little gilded beading under the ceiling of the little breakfast room; this gilding was blackened & destroyed; the current then followed the bell wire into the Kitchen (fortunately the girls had just got up from the table) mad[e] a jump from this in doing so took alot of plaster away finally going to earth by the firegrate. During the heavy downpour of rain & hail, the latter fell like a shower of marbles for sure; one piece of ice fell opposite the drawing room window the size of a large cockle.

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- 1889 June 6th My wife and I, Richard and Noel and Willi Mattinson all went to Morecambe and Heepham for the day. S and I went to see Old Mrs Barton who lives at Higher Heepham she is 104 ½ being born on 18h Jany 17th 1785. She appeared hale and healthy but a little deaf. She lives in a cottage with her daughter a comparatively old woman who told us her mother enjoyed very good health.
2 First gooseberry tart 9 Whit Sunday Jones from Sidcup takes his place in Church [illeg] in a surplice and teaches us [illeg] eastward position etc !!!

11 Went to Dublin & took Prowse with me. Left home noon ar Lpool 4pm left by Steamer Cavan 8.30pm ar dublin on 12 abt 7 am took my 5in O.G. to Grubb who was not at home spent a pleasant day in Dublin abt 9pm and ard
 13 in Lpool 9am home that evening
 17 Begun hay, cut little croft 19 began to cut meadow
 19 Lead Croft 1 ½ cartloads 21 Lead Meadow 6 ½ loads T Foster [illeg] 10/- WS [illeg] 13/- Rob Shepherd 5 = 28/- Splendid hay time brisk breeze & hot sun no rain old Jack Foster worked on my field today aged 83
 21 Tina Nisbet came to us
 25 Prof Hughes & his Cambridge party visit Wharfe Mill dam & Nappa Scar. Took them claret for their lunch at the dam and they all had tea at my house at 5.30pm & on to Settle
 27 Recd new iron pillar for Equatorial Clapham Bros Keighly filled ap[?] same day
 July 1 First Peas

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- 1889 July 8 Sallie Self Tina Nisbett Edinbro Mrs Wm Booth Rochdale (staying at Cross House Austwick made an Expedition to Gardale & Malham Tarn We engaged John Metcalfes waggonette & pair (Cross Streets) drove to Settle Long Preston Hellifield Geostrop[?] Ayrton & Kirkby Malham saw the fine old church & saw Thos Claphams grave a plain slate headstone in the church yard a tablet in Church, then drove to Malham visited Gordale Scar & lunched at the Buck Inn after which walked to the Cove then had a cup of tea & drove round by Malham Tarn called at Mr Morrisons not at home drove home via Cowside & Langcliffe and Giggleswick home. The day was simply perfection perfectly clear & warm Hotel 1. 1. 6 Carriage 1. 10. 0 Church 1/ total 52/6: 10/5 each
- 1889 Austwick School
 July 8 Begun my plan for enlarging all front windows. Also Radcliff begun to take off old Slate from S Side of old part of school (3 light window by [illeg] & Westlake London)
 11 Thursday Annies memorial window put into the Baptistry at Austwick Church. I was the first to see it in its place as I helped the workman to put in the left hand or south wing. [illeg] & Westlake £68
 by Subscription 32. 16. 5
 TR Clapham 35. 3. 7
 68. 0. 0
- 25 Mr Sidell[?] came about post office inspector shewed him telescope in my observatory during which saw part of a very fine solar halo alt 26o from Sun Sky very light [illeg]
 See Familly Bible account of window See page 343

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- 1889 July 31 S J Hawthornthwaite married to a farmer named
 Aug 3 Mr & Mrs Kirkshaw came left tues 6h Mr K pronounced the 5in Grubb very good
 7 Mrs Byers came 8 C Nisbet left us 6 weeks & 6 days
 ,, Baby Annie Catherine C walked across dining room alone
 19 Miss Smith Spalding came 21 Cossie & Maggie came

25 Last time at Austwick Church till Jany 26th 1890
 Sep 1 New organ opened at Austwick Church a thorough attempt at a grand musical Service ended in humbug had a word with the vicar by letter about it. Mr Robt Ingleby had to leave the Church on account of the noise. What are we coming to?
 5 Cossie left A.H. for the South 15 days here 7 Maggie left AH for Rotherham 17 days here
 12 Mrs Byers left (35 day) 14 Miss Smith left us
 14 Swallows nearly all gone South.
 18 Bot Bay Cob Bessie £25 5s 0d Sold Bobby 6£ [illeg] 356
 20 drove Bay Cob Bessie first time Self Noel Henry to Settle Workhouses
 21 Min temp this morning 32 about 50 or 60 Swallows & Martins on the roof of the house A.H. There has been a strong NW wind blowing the last few days. Query ? Has this gale blown back the Swallows which left us last week? it looks like it as on yesterday and few previous days not a bird was seen here
 23 Henry Shephard saw a white starling field next Clapham pond
 25 Snow on Inglebro and Pennyghent

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1889 Sept 29 Cut first bunch of grapes in Vinery
 \$ 29 Last day of Swallows 8 or 10 about none to be seen next day
 Oct 3 Last swallows seen at A.H.
 8 Last roses gathd 8 first grapes gave to Mr Robt Ingleby
 14 Woods looking splendid in Autumn tints never saw them finer
 Nov 1 Christ Ingleby died 7pm today at 65 ½ very suddenly in his chair [illeg] apoplexy
 9 Rhododendron Dahuricum & gentionellas in flower. very mild Planted "King" ([illeg]) apple front of Stable Backhouse 7/6 autumn so far no snow as yet
 10 Sunday night 12.30 Dick Pritchard died 64 burd Clapham Thursday 14h
 Dec 20 S.F, Self, Richd Noel & Annie with Jane Moore left for Edinburgh via Ingleton LNW & Caledonian
 31 Richd & I were shewn over Calton Hill observatory by Mr Heath
 1890 Jany 12h & 18 heard thrushes singing in garden at Granton[?]
 20 we all returned home from Edinburgh
 Feb 2d Noel went with his father & mother & Richd to Austwick Church
 20 Noel had attack of "Influenza" also Annie & wife slightly See page 154 &c
 28 Annie beging [sic] to talk pattering ding dong bells pussy in a well etc in a well (p. 290 or [illeg] [illeg] &c
 Mar13 First Wagtail at Austwick
 18 Miss Rigby & Peg Prowse came to AH previous to leaving for Canada
 ,, Emptied large smoke room at AH previous to reducing it in size and building a bedroom over it to open out landing close to own bedroom door
 Kirkbright commences work (Carpenter)

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Mar 20 Kirkbright Carpenter begun work at Smoke room
 25 Miss Rigby and Peg left us for Liverpool her last visit
 22 Thrushes beginning to nest now, thorns just bursting into leaf and Sycamores buds swelling out

26 Woman in labour in the roadside clout gate at the foot of hill in Greystonber lane this side of Cross Streets. A labourer & his wife on his way to Settle from Kirkby Lonsdale. The man begged & prayed for a nights lodging at Cross Streets but Mrs Metcalfe wd not either allow he or his poor wife to sleep in the house or yet in any of the outbuildings but told them to go to the village. They had only got about 90 yards from her door when the affair happened. Great indignation in village. Mrs Batty & Mrs Brown went with them in an open trap to the workhouse I paid them 2/6 each Apl Wife & I slept in the South room over drawing rooms being the second time since our marriage in 1877 and one of the very few times in my life in wh I have slept there.

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Smoke room 16ft .. 1in x 10ft .. 3in | } | mean measures; the walls are not square |
| Small room 12 .. 2 x 7 .. 6 | } | so that each side was measured and a |
| Bed room 16 .. 1 x 10 .. 1 | } | mean taken |
| Small room 11 .. 9 x 7 .. 8 | } | |

2 Miss Rigby sailed from Liverpool arrd New York \$13 Regina 20h

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1890 7 April Easter Monday I had often wished to have a long walk along the southern horison line from AH namely along the crest of Lawkland Austwick & Clapham common. Left home with Top my terrier some sandwiches a flask of whisky my good telescope and 6in ordnance map at 10.17am arrd at the gate leading on to moor from Butterfield Gap pasture 1129 and arrived on Resting stones 11.50 rain & hail came on & I had to shelter. Built a cairn on the rocks when it cleared which it did in $\frac{3}{4}$ an hour another view all day was magnificent Left at 1.5 and walke along Fair hill Copy wall to Geldards old shooting hut where tip & I had lunch put some stones on the wall some distance farther on Also Cat Knot and K[illeg] and Hanging stone. Built a cairn on Bowland Knotts & had lunch [illeg] two Knot End spring left at 3pm and arrd wire fence [illeg] Hail Showers Fell 4.23 put a good pile of Stones near the end of the wall joining wire fence left 4.41 returned same way to Knotts road then to shooting butt near road & started for home near dovenanter Stoops, Lane Side, ard home 7.45 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles walk

from AH my pikes 7 April 1890

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|--|---|--------------------------------|
| miles 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ Resting Stones 2 | } | 27 April 1890 second walk see |
| 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ Fair Hill Copy wall I pulled down next day | } | next page painted 2 stones on |
| 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ one[?] between (Cat Knot) 1 | } | stone near[?] on great Harlow |
| 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ K[illeg] 2 [illeg] at V of wall 1 on rocks | } | boundary & pike on wall |
| 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ to hanging stone 1 miles | } | further on close to Lancashire |
| 6 Bowland Knotts 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ | } | boundary wh. is abt 100 yards |
| 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ + 1/8 Hail showers} 1 | } | west of wire fence |
| 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ near wire fence } | } | miles |

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1890 Ap 15 tuesy S.F. went by 9am Express to London & Southsea to see her own people for a fortnight. I saw her off at Clapham and put her into the hands of the Leeds guard arrd safe 6.45

13 Miss Rigby ard New York \$13 (sailed W 2d) ard in Regina 20

17 Alfred Prowse married 2d time at Farnb Miss Agnes May see p140 note

Auriculas out in flower (Dusty[?] [illeg])
 20\$ 1st Swallow near vicarage Richd I in Spout Croft home from Clap Ch. Daffodills in full flower
 23 Several jays seen in the Avenue AH by my son Richd J W Mattinson This I find needs confirmation the boys say they were jays
 Great Harlow Fell & Lancashire boundary
 26 Sat Left house 10.22 for another walk out Hail Showery and Great Harlow Lane side 11.2 Stoops 11.27 Bowland Knott road [illeg] place for shooting 11.53 Top Knot road 12.16 Wire fence 1.0pm stone man on Harlow 1.12pm total 8 ¼ miles Went forward about ¼ mile to boundary of Lancashire total 8 ½ miles. Painted 2 large stones in the stone man[?] on Harlow with white paint and put a good pike on the wall close to Lancashire boundary saw both plainly on return at 6pm fine clear day strong wind few flying showers returned through the middle of Hail Showers instead of going round the wall & lunched at iron well foot of Wye Gill came straight to Knotts road & home by Stoops & Lanc side 7 ¼ miles return total 15 ¾ miles walk arrived home 6pm

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April 26 above round hill Hail Showers road drive there are these[?] are[?] Telescopic objects when grouse driving 3 butts then a space (a good gill for cover) then two more butts the top one is double & it is the lower one facing East my favourite took my fox terrier 'Tip' with me both enjoyed our outing
 Cuckoo heard at Austwick
 21 Planted an oak tree grown at Scwalback and brot home in 1883 by TRC planted on S side of low walk in AH plantation
 28 Planted 20 Black Austrian pines in Ley Avenue
 30 Sicamores in Avenue ½ out scarlet thorns in garden 2/3 out
 2 May Primroses on bank above garden & bottom walk in Plantn are now at their best – quite a show. Daffodils nearly over
 2 Very few swallows here as yet only seen three
 3 Carpenters & plasterers work in the four new rooms (old smoke room finished and ready for painter; the work has been done by Kirkbright & Radcliffe and makes 4 useful little rooms
 5 Jas Handly begins painting new rooms
 Gentionellas nearly all out in bloom Diletra[?] ½ out Large beech just shewing leaf
 8 Large white Rhodo nearly out. Poeny buds swelling. Ferns bursting into frond leaf: all birds busy nesting
 Swallows & Cuckoo only seen three swallows so far at AH and only heard Cuckoo twice although weather has been very warm & mild

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1890 May 9 Large oaks bursting bud and just shewing green All birds busy nesting At least 4 thrushes nests have hatched out round about the house & others sitting. Large white rhododendron in flower
 10 New Smoke room store room & 2 bedrooms above finished inside today only outside painting of windows & cement jambs to do Put back some of the furniture into my study & store room
 S.F Leaves Southsea 8.45 return home arrd Clapham 7.2 after an absence of a month

all but 2 days

14 Went back into our own bedroom after sleeping in room over drawg room since April 2d or six weeks. Apple bloom out. very full

Returned from Rochdale where I had not been since 21 Jany 1875. I went to the last meeting of the session of the LAS & returned via Rochdale spending the night with Mr G Booth JP he shewed me his little lathe.

17 Lilly of the valley beginning to flower. Laburnum just shewg yellow tulips & narcissus in flower Diletra[?] in full flower also Yellow azalea 19 white thorn in Avenue close to stone [illeg] [illeg] in bloom

21 First E[illeg] smoke in little Smoke room; very cosy with lamp & fire

23 Scarlet thorns just shewing colour yellow daisys full out. Ash shewg green

24 Went to Sedbergh Saw Mr Hart abt Richd he will have to go to a Preparty School first before he can Enter Sedbergh on act of his sufficient Latin.

27 Tulips fully out for 4 days. Rhododendrons common half out into flower

28 Scarlet thorns, Peonies, laburnums, broom out; chestnut flower lilly of the valley fully out good crop. Tree peony full out

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1890 May 30 SF and I went to Ilkley to see Mr Burrows School lunched with Mr B & senior boys afterwards saw all over the house was so pleased with all we saw that we decided that Richard should go there at once See school ledger

June 3 Bank along garden ablaze of colour scarlet thorns red rhodos peonies & brooms full out. Planted two hop vines near Smoke room window

1 Noel goes to Austwick Church regularly has been twice to m[orn]ing service with his mother

5 Rieda 3 inch back geared screw cutting Lathe Britannia Co per Mr Booth £ t o

11 Put down New dining room Carpet & rug Mansergh old Carpet cut to Smoke room & bed room

Richards last day at Austwick School 2 years 8 mo viz 10 Oct 1887 11 June 90

12 First gooseberry Tart Richards last day at home

13 wife & I took Richd to his boarding school Mr Burrow Wharfedale School Ilkley introduced him 10.40 lunched Hodges & I left him at School 2.30pm I stayed the night with Kershaw

14 New Family grave stone with full inscriptions made and lettered by John Morphet Helwith bridge placed over grave Clapham Church yard

16 Syringa; wigelia rosea; yellow roses half out some blooms full out

Thrush sitting on 4 eggs top of avenue under oak; hatched fledged

17 My first bit of lathe work with 3 in viz cutting down screw of Wray [illeg] Cookes dark glass

24 First bloom of red rose the one South of Dining room window

21 Cut little croft Lead it 26h two good cart loads

20 Recd Salt Lake of 1870 rung from Rhodes enlarged wife put it on 3d lft hd finger same day

July 8 Went to Whitby alone Returned 18h

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1890 24 July Madge Maynard left us stayed here 5 weeks 3 days came June 16h

26 S & I went to Ilkley over the weekend brought Richd home from his first boarding

school on tuesday 29 = ½ term 6 weeks 3 days
 July 25h New foot bridge Clapham Station first used See my letter to Co in book on
 Midland Railway I crossed it on 29 with SF & Richd
 Aug 1st Had a letter from HPB wanting to borrow money; did not shew it to anyone
 but burnt it at once thinking it the best for Everybody
 4 Miss Adams & Miss Goslin came to us left for Furness 15th Aug
 5 Pruned large Beech tree at A.H. all lower branches cut off girth at 4 feet 14 feet 1in
 in May 1872 13ft 2 ½
 11 Mrs Byers came left 18 September 5 weeks 3 days
 12 Divided Norway holly fern into six planted one oppte Smoke room Richard
 photographed
 25 My eldest boy Richd shot his first rabbit today with my 20 bore gun he had 3 shots
 & Killed his first two. No 1 Ewning crag 2 between stile & big drive south side of
 plantation A.H. Age 12 years less 3 weeks
 20 Swallows beginning to assemble on the house AH a large quantity on the morning
 of 28 one might think that all the swallows in the village had congregated here to
 discuss matters before migrating
 Sep 1 Shot a wood cock in Austwick wood just above Wood House when out after
 partridges with John Ingleby
 3 I took all the Austwick School children for a day trip to Morecambe 73 children
 Master & Mistress Mr Courtney & my wife we had a pleasant day and all enjoyed
 themselves The children gaind extra merit grant of 24/7 out of a possible of 24/10 so
 thought they deserved a treat cost 9. 14. 2 carts[?] total £10. 3. 8

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1890 Wet Summer

Sep 3 This has been a most wretched Summer and now today there is a great deal of
 hay out in the parish many fields are already uncut
 8 Noel and Annie photographed
 11 Bulk of Swallows gone
 13 [illeg] First meeting of Austwick School managers at Austwick Hall (Martin)
 13 all gone today Last Swallow seen 3d Oct a late hatch on Henrys Cottage 1404 see
 below
 15 1st School meeting of Committee at Austwick Hall
 18 Mrs Byers left 5 weeks 3 days I took her to Leeds & saw her off to London
 Oct 2 Smoke room papered on 30 Sept cleaned out and [illeg] today, hung all pictures;
 it is a nice snug room and a great improvement upon the old one
 5 Cut out some dead wood in large beech tree at AH
 7 Cut first bunch of grapes
 8 2d meeting of School managers at Austwick Hall. I am now the oldest manager
 nearly 30 years 1st meeting here on 15 Sept 1890 see School book
 13 Tina Nisbet came to us
 14 Saw two Swallows or rather martins in the village today
 15 Squirrels Saw a pretty sight today as Henry & I were passing through Ewning on
 out way to Clapham two squirrels were playing about round the trunks of the large
 oak trees chasing each other in a most amusing manner running up the trunks of these
 great trees to the first branch & down again to the ground they went round & round
 the trunk in a spiral and in their descent the effect was singularly pretty running round

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- 1890 Oct 15 with heads downwards when they arrived on the ground they chased each other to the next tree & performed the same interesting [illeg] [illeg] last saw them on the garden wall There has been a brood Evidently in the Plantation and I hope they will increase in numbers.
23 A swallow or martin was seen at Austwick Hall today
25 Tina Nisbet left us came on 15
27 My wife went to visit the Booths R & I left Clapham Stat 3.31pm
30 Saw a white headed blackbird in the garden this morning
Nov 5 Mr Booth came to AH left on 13 in shoot at Farrers on 13
14 My wife returns today from Rochdale & Northallerton
20,21,22 I engaged Mr Ernest Evans to come to Austwick and give a course of Science Lectures in the School. Admission Free The three subjects were "Food and what becomes of it" "Coal Iron and Limestone their formation and uses" "The Glacial or Ice Age and the relicts it has left us" Altho' the weather was bad there was a very good attendance each night the people shewed a great interest in the subjects which were well handled by the lecturer once a mill hand and now a teacher in the Burnley Mechanics Institution. Mr Evans stayed with us paid Mr Evans £3. 15. 0 conveyance
7/9 printing
paid Mr Evans 3. 15. 0
conveyance 0. 7. 9
printing _____
£4 paid by TRC [illeg] 26 free to the public school rent free by Committee

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- 1890 Nov Cuttings x2
29 Sat Had the Settle Branch of the St John Ambulance Association who gave a demonstration in the Austwick School see above
Dr Buck giving an opening address and explaining [illeg] TR Clapham occupied the chair & briefly introduced the subject after the demonstration the members of the Ambulance comp[an]y 15 & Dr Buck sat down to a substantial supper at Austwick Hall where we spent a pleasant evening. The carriages leaving at 11.15pm the men singing "Hes a jolly good fellow"
Total 2. 15. 6 carriages 1. 0. 0
nett 1. 15. 6 nurse fund [illeg]

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- 1890 Fine cold winter month was December
Nov 9 My wife and I were present as invited guests at the wedding of Miss Mary Charlotte Farrer Ingleborough Clapham
Decr 23 Wife Richd, Noel, Annie & nurse went to Southport at 48 Princes Street
1891 Jan 19 We all returned from Southport
18h = 13o; 19h 13o Decr 23 to Jan 22 frost & snow most of the time but no snow of any depth rapid thaw Jan 22d 3d Decr to 22 Jan strong frost not much snow broke on Jan 22 after 7 weeks hard weather
Feb 1 First snowdrop shewing white heads
6 Set front steps straight leading up to Hall door J Radcliffe & Henry

9 Put a new driving wheel & [illeg] [illeg] crank to my 4 ½ in lathe Milnes 35/-

11 Thrushes singing at AH

14 Rhodo Dahuricum just shewing bloom colour

31 Nearly full out Dahuricum

February the finest month for many years later & hottest summer the driest ever known G J Symons

Mar 2 Crocuses coming out. Dahuricum splendid white rock[?] opening

Jany Gave a Museum cast to Austwick School (Laycock Settle 6/-

Mar Gave a new clock to Aust School in place of our [illeg] in Feb 1869 see page 60

Mar 11 – 13 Fearfull snow storm Dartmoor train snowed up for 3 days drift 20 feet deep

17 First pied wagtail seen at Austwick

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17 March Handleys men came to paper and paint the three main bedrooms painted Smoke room & Richds bedroom and colour entrance hall & passages

22 Jonquil out wood primroses coming out

24 Dog tooth violet bursting flower buds

Painting House

April 8 Handleys men finished papering and painting own bedroom, room over drawing room, room over hall; painted Richards bedroom; & Smoke room painted ceiling of dining room painted entrance hall and staircase landings and passages to bedrooms 3 coats; one coat on passage to nursery WC and my lavatory colour washed also little store room next smoke room. Men left today. Handleys Bill £31. 3. 10 ½ outside Bot 2 cwt Carson & 16 gals oil man from Settle cannot come this spring with paint outside of A. Hall in Oct DV

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1891 April 13 Mrs Christ Ingleby died at Harden Cottage aged [blank]

14 Mr Jefferson died Northallerton aged 71

16 Thrushes nest 1 egg near Bath house. late spring

26 Larches shewing greensame few thorns bursting bud all very late this season cold NE winds all April to 26 and March

26 Swallows seen over pond at Clapham

27 Henry saw one Swallow at AH today

30 Saw first at Austwick Cuckoo heard this day at A.H.

May 6h Took my son Richard to Giggleswick School 1st time

7 Thorns half out Sycamores bursting bud Gentionellas just beginning to open vegetation coming on all at once after the long cold spring and now warm sun and rain.

11 Primroses in Garden and bank are now at best. Sycamores ½ out large white rhodo opening

12 Cathedral glass put into Hall door and side wings Edd Hanley Settle Thrushes nest close to Observatory has young ones abt 20 days old flew away 23

15 New matting put down on Hall floor Trees coming out very quickly, apple just coming in flower, Cherry out fully

16 Sat Noel & I saw Richd at School; in the afternoon Mr Mannock[?] & Revd came

to AH

17 Thermr 25o ¼ inch ice heavy snow & sleet showers ground white most of the day
This has been a strange Spring Feb temp up to 59 ½ & 60 March very cold & showery
N winds prevailing April cold & dry high steady barom max never higher than 56
May most unusual temp and unsteady bar on 1st thunder[?] 4 sunny day then cold till
10 to 13 when we had 3 hot days 68, 79, 69 then sudenly changing to snow ice with
25o on \$17

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May 18h min 23 ½ Ice fully ¼ inch thick nearly all the flowers cut down; white rhodo
nearly fully out entirely spoilt leaves of trees which were new about half out blighted
those of the large beech falling off as in the autumn. This has been the strangest
spring known Several cases of Russian Influenza in Austwick resulting in one death.
School Master down and I have taken his work for nearly a week.

21st Presented my gardner Henry Shepherd with a new silver leave watch (by Russell
Liverpool) and chain in token of his 20 years service with me Date of his coming 5
June 1871 "To Henry Shepherd from T R Clapham Austwick Hall in token of twenty
years faithful Service" inscribed on inner dome.

19,26 Took Charge of Austwick School for 5 ½ days Mr Daniel the Master ill with
influenza.

21 Thurs 23 Sat Curious Coincidence. on Thursday afternoon my wife lost out of her
ring a small diamond when she was [illeg] her hands in her bedroom (supposed) as
she did did [sic] not find it out till next morning. Search was made on the following
day but without avail and all hope of seeing the stone again was abandoned. On the
morning of Sat whilst my wife was undergoing her prliminary ablutions she said said
"I fear we shall never see the diamond again Tom" when suddenly she saw the
diamond glittering on the carpet close to the bedside

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May 27 Wrote to the Chief Constable at Blackburn giving him some further account
of Tom Cousins & Mrs Redmayne formerly of Austwick and recd a letter of thanks
on 29h On 28 wrote to Mr Ball see above the prosecuting solicitor
"Influenza"

1890 Feb 20 – 27 Noel and Annie had [illeg] an attack of Influenza Annie had congestion
of the lungs this was our first experience of Russian Influenza

This has been a sad month for Austwick many people have been seriously ill with the
dreaded La Grippe or what is popularly known as Russian Influenza Wm Stockdale
died on the 16h and his wife on the 25 his two daughters ill at the time. My dear wife
has been like a ministering angel in the place doing what she can to attend to the sick
people visiting them without the slightest fear although it is said to be very infectious.
So far we have escaped. One

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thing is clear viz good food and a fair amount of stimulant seems necessary both to
the sufferers and to anyone visiting them. It is all over the country attacking rich and
poor alike. Our doctors have been hard worked and Dr Metcalfe laid up. Help hard to
get all wanting it & neither doctors or nurses can be had (see Feb 20 1890) & p290 of

Med Dicty No 33

June 2 A Sparrow hawk's nest in a larch in the triangular plot above the wood hut in AH wood shot the old one & took 5 eggs sorry to shoot the hawk but it was better to do that than lose all the young thrushes

June 5h Henry Shepherd completes his 20 years service with me for which I gave him a new lever watch & chain Large oaks only just bursting leaf buds

6 Nurse Brandreth came today for Influenza cases

6 There are six or seven cases of Influenza in Austwick which my wife has attended to regularly for the past week or ten days a trained nurse Fanny Brandreth arrived today from a Home at Preston she stays with us. She told me that some of the cases would have been dead if Sallie had not cared for them. The disease has made havoc all over the Country. The death on 16 & 25 May of Wm Stockdale & his wife was a great shock

9h Ashes bursting leaf buds

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1891 June 11h Forty four 44 years since Annie and I first came to Austwick Hall from Feizor

15 Peonies out nearly. Scarlet thorns just shewing colour narcissus nearly over Noel begins to go to School today as day boy at Austwick School

16 Thrushes singing their best. Ash & oak about half leaf

17 Peonies and brooms nearly fully out. Thorns half out Influenza still prevails in the village fresh cases every two or three days. Trained nurse Brandreth second week here; she sleeps at my house when off duty.

A sad spring and summer, first trees blighted with a 10o frost in May and now the Country has been seized with almost a second plague of Influenza. Thank God my family has been spared thus far although my wife visits the sick patients every day

21 Saw a singular mock moon tonight abt 12pm See Observatory notes

22 Wegelias, yellow roses, coming into flower large rhodo just opening

24 Rhodos and thorns in the wood full out. Oaks & ashes only full out now flowers soon over on account of dry hot east wind all month. Plantation looking its best now but there appears to have been a regular stoppage by the severe May frost. Some trees only just coming out into leaf now All nature seems to have suffered as well as man this Spring & Summer

[cutting & printed balance sheet for Nurse Fund]

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1 July First gathering of outdoor roses (dark) have gathered one or two Gloires but no dark roses as yet; Got 3 blooms of Glory of Waltham today very sweet. Wegelia fully out Syringa coming out

11 My first vase of garden Roses; Got 2lb Mushrooms last night in Ewning. Haytime begining generally. Nurse Brandreth left. 5 weeks

17 Lead 2 loads from little meadow. Dr Whaleys boxhive [illeg] arrived

23 Family grave Had a long talk with old Nanny at Feizor my fathers old housekeeper who is almost certain that my father was buried immediately under the flat gavelstone in Clapham Churchyard. She says and confirms my opinion that the grave was a very deep one and lined with brick and a slab put over it. I had a hazy idea that he was buried on the N side but after a short conversation with Nanny the facts came home

to my mind, that my father was burried under the Slab. Grandmother Hanson was burried on the S side over which is an upright stone and to the best of my memory grandfather Hanson was burried immediately on the North Side of our family stone, or it may have been grandmother on the N & grandfather Hanson on the S of our family gravestone. Wrote a codicil in will desiring to be burried in the grave of my grandfather which is the one immediately on the north side of and close to our family grave stone

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- 1891 July 31 Fred Byers and his wife came to A.H
Aug 3d witnessed a baloon ascent & parachute descent by a lady at Roundhay Park nr Leeds See below
[cutting]
Sat Aug 8 Higgins was killed at Kirkdale through rashness in going up in a gale and being knocked off the trapeze by a line of telegraph wires See newspaper cuttings book
Augt 15 Fred Byers & his wife left us for Moffat 2 weeks 3 days at AH
27 Strong gale SSW my largest Poplar blown down west side of iron gate in last storm
Sep 1 strong gale SSW remaining poplar blown down close to iron gate east side also last remaining Walnut tree blown down noon also the largest birch S side of Plant potato bed & close to Yew clump. This makes a great gap at AH intend now to plant the

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- 1891 old school yard (in front of my workshop) with Austrian pines and Portugal laurels.
Aug 31 Meeting about a burial ground held in School 8pm
Sept 3d thurs Constance Byers & Ed Hodges married at St Michaels Southsea
12 Saw Richd swim for first time in Swinewheel Saw Kingfisher at do
13 Swallows nearly all gone. Heat wave from 9 to 13 inclusive had 5 perfect Summer days 11th max = 79 ½ highest of season
22 Cossie & Edward Hodges came to AH on their wedding tour
23 Richard went back to Bank Well Giggleswick School
29 Cossie & Edd Hodges left us for their home in Glasgow
30 3 or 4 Swallows flying over garden at AH Woodcutters cut up walnut tree at AH found it sound much better than the others
Oct 1 SF went to Southsea leaving Clapham St 9am Last swallow Oct 7h 12h at AH & on 17h at AH (2)
14 Last of the grapes grown in A.H. vinery
12 New cathedral glass fan light over porch door E Handley
21 Kirkbrights men begun painting outside AH Carsons: last time was in Marh 1876 light Portland stone colour put on by Jas Handley & Robt Kitchen with whitewash brushes; gave the house two coats of this paint
29 Begun second coat of paint on house; finished do, and Nov windows white: House 2 coats windows 1 of on Nov Counted rings on Walnut butt 119 one count 118 another

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- 1891 Oct 30 Wife returned from Southsea. 30 days away
 Nov 5 Finished painting outside of Austwick Hall two coats paint and oil 4. 15. 0
 labour 4 - £8. 15. 0 Carsons lit Portland paint begun 21 Oct – see page 64 & p4
 6 Saw Silver thread in Ebbing & flowing well. The phenom. appeared shortly after the
 water begun to ebb and lasted only about 10 to 15 seconds
 13 Took 9 am train to St Pancras arrd 3pm met Geo Hick, left my bag in cloak room
 G & I had left then got bag & went to his lodgings 11 Mornington Road Regents park
 & had tea and at 7pm went to Burlington House arriving abt 7.50 Went to the Room
 of the Royal Astronomical Society my first visit since being elected a “fellow” in
 March. Took Geo in with me stayed the whole meeting which did not break up till
 10.15 Tea and Coffee served in the library but we did not stay went to the “Empire” in
 Leicester Square for an hour & then had oysters and home
 14 went with Geo part way & then to the Zoological gardens where I spent 3 hours or
 more. Geo did not turn up till 2pm. Had a feed & then to Madam Tussauds for an hour
 afterwards to Alhambra & home for a tea
 15 Turned out 10am Ge went for his violin lesson & I read & walked for an hour on
 Geos return we

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- 1891 went into the town & had dinner at a Swiss Rest till 3pm then took bus into the city
 driving as far as London Bridge. We went the whole way from there to Tedington 5
 miles by Electric railway & drove home in a Cab via Lambeth Palace Westminster, to
 Charing Cross & home by bus, & a long talk
 16 Said goodbye to my hospitable friend abt 10am took Cab to St Pancras left luggage
 & then went by underground to Portland Street where I remained about an hour and
 left by 12.20 from St Pancras arrd Clapham 6.58 my first visit to London for 5 years
 and 10 months (Except in passing through in 87
 Decr 16 Richard came home from Giggleswick 2d term 20 Jany
 23 Richd 3 days in bed, bad cold; very slight Influenza temp 101o
 25= 8o min
 1892 Jany G. Evans came to A.H lectured 3 nights at my cost 3. 19. 0 total The lectures
 were very well attended and appeared to have given great satisfaction After a vote of
 thanks by vicar I and Evans replied: the latter concluded with some excellent advice
 to the young men & boys which was very nicely put
 [cutting]

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- 1892 Influenza Jany 14 Albert Victor eldest son of the Prince of Wales died at 9.20 today
 from pneumonia [illeg] upon Influenza. Cardinal Maning died 4 on the same day from
 the same malady. This most formidable and mysterious malady is again spreading
 rapidly in some English towns thousands of cases are reported the doctors seem to
 have made little headway with it since last year, although it is stated that a son in law
 of the late Dr Koch has discovered the bacillus. Clapham which escaped last year has
 a good many cases. Both Mr Farrers boys are laid up & the tutor is laid up at the
 vicarage & four or five at Brown[?]. So far thank God Austwick is free as yet. 20h 46
 cases at Clapham
 20 Richard went back to Giggleswick School; he goes to Hostel this term

27 First snowdrops in flower AH 31 yellow aconites out
Prof G B Airy & Prof J C Adams both celebrated astronomers died this month G B Airy born 27 July 1801 died 2 Jan 1892 [1892] Prof John Couch Adams the discoverer of Neptune born 5 June 1819 died 21 Jan 1892
30 Bird Dick caught rabbiting in Spout Croft by Alf Pritchard
Feb 1 Old Mrs Kitchen died 12.10 noon age 90 years 4 mo
4 Had post card from Birkdale Obs New star in Auriga[?] saw it this evening 5 ½ mag

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1892 Feb 8 Snowdrop and yellow aconites half out
9 Heard first thrushes singing on lawn what a glorious sound
16 Dog muzzling order rescinded in W Yorks after 2 ½ years in force [cutting]
26 Feb Friday My first Public Lecture
27 Went to Southport with my family
March 11 Went from Southport to London to attend the monthly meeting of the Royal Astronomical Society. Heard an excellent discussion on the new star Auriga[?] & the large sun spot, returned to Southport next day
March 15 I and my family returned home from Southport
Ebbing & Flowing well Giggleswick
19 Saw silver thread today; it varied in thickness considerably according to pressure from the water current
23d Rhodo Daluricum, and garden heath out. All crocuses out. Jonquilles half out. Thrushes

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1892 Mar 23 Singing grandly a fairly early spring after a rather hard winter
24 Wife went to Edinbro
26 Fathers Jonquills and dog tooth violets nearly out. Saw the Silver thread in Ebbg & Flowing well today
29 a very perfect & prettily constructed mouse's nest found on the minor Keys of our piano when being opened to be tuned Consisted of fringes of carpet moss wool fern all from drawing room photographed it next day
31 Wagtail. Jonquills and dogtooth violets fully out [cutting]
Apr 2 Primroses appearing daffodils about bursting blue [gap] in flower
5 My school palm in garden in flower Birds beginning to nest
6 Thorns in Ley bursting leaf 8h SF & Tina Nisbet retd from Edinbro
13 First yellow cloth of gold rose in Vinery out. Tina retd 25th
14 Appointed Edwd Casson (37) as master to Austwick School viz C H Daniel resigned on act of health 21 applications
20 Walked to Ingleton & back after 2pm low road retd high road went to see John Atkinson about altering font and making little childrens annex at Austwick Church into a baptistry which I am going to do at my own cost as a supplement to dear Annies window

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1892 Public footpath near Austwick Hall

Ap 22d Had a long conversage with old Richd Buck of the Pant, Austwick about the public footpath near the village of Austwick & Austwick Hall. After telling me about footpath which I knew included that from Clapham over Thwaites & down Horsepasture he said it did go in front of Stable but said it was quite as handy for all purposes to go out by old school yardstyle which I had made. He described the footpath up T[illeg] Lane and across [illeg] joining the Thwaite footpath in Farriers field. Also the one along T[illeg] lane across top of Spout Croft crossing C Inglebys fields & joining the lower footpath to Clapham at plantation He said there used to be one from Town Head farm from bull Copy to Thwaite lane coming out near [gap] barn and so on to Wharfe. He distinctly said that the footpath started at bottom of Dogs[?] [illeg] across my far Thwaite to lane across [illeg] field to Norber barns Inglebys and mine was purely on occupation road. Now that so many people are coming from the towns to our villages and roam all over the Country I am going to abolish all my styles which are not purely footpaths anywhere near Austwick Hall as they mislead strangers and cause much petty annoyance

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1892 Ap 22 the styles which my father placed from Horse pasture across to Thwaite Lane are especially misleading and bring a great many people close past the House who when remonstrated with are not always choice in their language; so in future there will be no accommodation styles except the purely Public footpath styles near the house.

Apl 10-26 Old school yard at Austwick Hall

Since the last of the large wallnut trees was blown down I have cleared all the stones (sold to road) out of this enclosure and levelled the ground I am going to plant a row of Portugal laurels all along the South wall and another row from workshop corner to barn & in between make a shrubbery out of spare cuttings and odds and ends from the garden etc. it will eventually look well and be a screen from the road and a shelter from the East winds. I made a short division wall from stick house corner to style leading into road – see 27th

24 Saw first swallow (Richd saw one on 22) also 1st Gentian in flower

27 Planted 12 Portugal laurels and 4 Cupressus Lawsonii in Old school yard 3 Portugal laurels near carriage gate S of Stable laurels 10d each Cupressus 1/6 Planted also in school yard an acacia raised from seed got at Stolzenfels[?] and a large spirea raised from trees in Ley £1. 5. 6

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1892 Ap 26 Met Mr Atkinson at Church and arranged about altering childrens annex & removing font. Made scale plans for same

May 3 Atkinson removed font finished his work all but skimming coat Kirkbright finished woodwork abt 14 May 1892 total cost 6.. 18.. 6 defrayed by T R Clapham

4 Found the beautiful sugar maple at bottom of wood blown down by last nights severe NE gale. The prettiest tree in the wood gone.

1 Cuckoo heard Clapham fields

5 Avis Watkins married to W Stretfield Canada Austw Church Annie I am, today, same age as dear Annie was at her death

9 our 15 anniversary of wedded life TR & SFC

Thrushes and Primroses

16 I do not remember having the thrushes sing so sweetly or so strong: or have I ever seen such a crop of primroses. The part of the bottom of the Plantation under the oak tree at the west and all about the foot of the bottom drive just below the wooden hut is simply a perfect carpet of primrose flowers and they are almost as plentiful in the Ley 28 Emptied larger cistern at back door Cleaned it and painted & stopped seams with red lead & tar; painted outside

31 Poor old Will Speddy was drowned when crossing the "hipping" just below Clapham on his way home. Heart disease two heavy thunderstorms 3 & 5pm

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1892 August 1892 [cutting] See next page

June 8 Went up to London by 9am Stayed at 31 Craven Road with Mrs Courtney took Miss Courtney to Buffalo Bill at Buffalo Bills Wild West show v. good 9 Saw over [illeg] Observatory & [illeg] at S. Kensington and in the afternoon at Dr Huggins[?] FRS go up T[illeg] Hill 10" Greenwich Observatory for nearly an hour & Royal Ast Society Burlington House 7.50 to 10.15 home via midnight mail

11h Scarlet thorns, peonies, & rhododendron, laburnums, brooms tulips pansies are in full flower, the plantation now looking its best. thorns are mass of flowers

July 4 Farmers beginning hay time at Austwick about this date

June 29 – July 2 SF & Self went round Isle of Man 4 days

July 6 -7 SF went to Scarbro two days took a house for 6 weeks 5 gns[?] of Mrs Waind[?] 1 Albion Crescent

5 July Mr Johnson Southport – takes AH furnished for 6 weeks 7 guineas

8 July Mr Morrison addressed his constituents in the School Clapham 1.30 - 3pm At a political meeting at Austwick same evening 7.30 I was voted to the Chair when Messrs Mason (Settle) & Hartley (Skipton) addressed the meeting. In introducing the speakers I replied to a political tirade made by W A Byles the day began as to the inefficiency of Village Schools under the voluntary system as compared with board schools. I read the Govt Inspectors report for the last 3 years & stated what grant each child had earned viz everything possible in 1892 & 1891 in 1890 20/7 out of a possible of 20/10 I appealed to the parents of children if this was anything like an

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1892 inefficient report from H.M. Inspector of Schools. My little speech appeared to have given a great amount of pleasure, seeing that I am not given "to spouting" and my first attempt as the "Chair"

9 July Mrs Robt Ingleby 87 years & 4 months spent about two hours at Austwick Hall today I brought her up & returned her home in the pony carriage she appeared to enjoy her old associations very much. I brought her up to the house abt 10 am she retd abt 12 noon

16th I and my family and two Servants went to Scarbro for six weeks. I let my house Austwick Hall to Mr W Johnson residing at 17 Roe Lane Southport for six weeks at 7 gns per week and I took the house No 1 Albion Crescent South Cliff Scarbro for the same length of time for 5 gs per week. We arrived safely there and found the house very comfortable with good large rooms and close to the Sea my son Richd joined us on Augt 3d

Augt 7h Sunday J C Peters died, he had left Austwick sometime in February & lived with his nephew John Peters at Rochdale where he was taken very ill and died away from home, it is said, in an asylum. The old ancient estate at Feizor now returns to me

the rightful owner my sister died childless

26 We all returned safely from Scarbro where we had a pleasant visit and fine weather. We were all annoyed to find our own house left in a disgracefully dirty state by the Johnsons

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1892 Aug 29 Monday Henry & I went down to Beck House & brought away some things which had been left in the house for me by I think the orders of Wm Peters Senior. I got my sisters portrait in oil by Joshua Horner, my fathers portrait in oil by G Brown two oil paintings by my sister two large crayon portraits of father & myself a quantity of books which once belonged to my father including English flora by [blank] volumes splendidly illustrated. the old scrap book containing autographs of Duke of Wellington, Russell, Grey etc a quantity of glass photographs. All the furniture was taken to Rochdale & the odds and ends given away wholesale to the villagers Mrs Wallbank being put in charge. I fancy it was an angry scramble for what they could get. Such was the end of the Bridge end occupation. I hope I shall get a nice tenant for the place

30 tuesday Mrs Byers, Maggie, Constance & Ed Hodges & baby came to us from Glasgow for a few days

Sept 2d Mr Booth came to us previous to his departure for New Zealand. Went to Malham Tarn on the 2d to fish. Self 1 Mr B 0.

5 Mr Booth left us for Rochdale

„ I, Richard, Maggie & Ed Hodges all went up Inglebro via Crmmack & allotment returned by Trow gill & Mr Farrers grounds

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1892 Sept 8h Maggie Byers left us enroute[?] south 9h Ed Hodges left for [illeg] [cutting]

16h Friday went to the funeral of my old friend Allan Kershaw at Gomersal. Arrived at the Wesleyan Chapel just in time for service; went to the house & had [illeg] & returned home 6.30pm

17 Cossie and her baby leave us for her her [sic] home in Glasgow

18 Feizor Dick & I started at 3.30pm for a walk to Feizor we called upon old Nanny Wilman and had a pleasant chat for half an hour (including recent events the material future and then walked up to the top of [illeg] moor where we enjoyed the view from that bit of the newly acquired old Family Estate, then went onto Back Moor & returned through fathers old wood & home via Oxenber thus renewing old associations which had been sadly marrd by late years of obstinacy and unfairness by one who ought to have acted otherwise. May he however rest in peace!

19 Swallows first flock went today 21 Richd went back to School

27 Mr & Mrs Chambers Eastbourne came – left 30h 10am Swallows the last batch gone today

Oct 7h saw one near Beck House

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1892 Post office – Afternoon mail

Oct 13 At last after a good deal of bullying the Post Office officials [illeg] them to see

that there is some show[?] of reason why I wanted the afternoon mail due at Clapham 4pm to be brought on to Austwick when the postman takes the Evening delivery to Clapham. He then sees the letters from all parts to Austwick lying under his nose but is not allowed to bring them back to Austwick where he lives, because he is supposed to live at Clapham where he cannot get a house – red tape indeed – I have however done my best to get this remedied; at last with Success. The Afternoon Mail will now be delivered to Austwick PO to be called for

14f heavy E & ENE gale & floods of rain

15s Went to Leeds with Mrs Byers who left us for [illeg] & Southsea after a stay of 7 weeks at AH

all the district between Skipton & Leeds deeply flooded

17 Geo Hick & his friend Mr Chorley of Leeds spent afternoon at AH

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1892 New Bell put to Austwick Church

Oct 21st Inglebro grey with snow 2=0; 2=0; 26h=22o

Had the best cabinet photo taken by Horner I ever had done. Sitting position with Spectroscope in our hand and must have it enlarged for my children

26 Begun work at Beck House fitting up stable Atkinson Ingleton doing masons work. Kirkbright Austwick Carpenters work Beck House let by J Hartley to Aldric Watkins about a month ago

Nov 1 Mr Lawrance came left on Nov 12h

X 17 Received deeds of Feizor Estate (ancient) from Mr Hartley Solicitor Settle

21 Henry Shepherd & I saw the Silver cord in Eb & Flow well

22 I and my wife went to Southport returned home 28 (Old [illeg] of 1886 Henry first Decr 3 Finished work at Beck House Stable except painting 10o frost

4 First heaby fall of Snow 2 ½ 3 inches

19 Cut down 3 Chestnut trees (out of 7) above garden at Austwick Hall as I think the remainder will improve in Shape

minm 1=23o; 5h=19o; 6=20o; 7=27o; 8=21o; 9=19o; 24th=26o; 25th=24o; 26th=17o; 27th=18o; 28th=16o; 29th=20o; 30th=21o; 31=22

X Nov 14 Sent a memorial fully signed by the tradesmen of the district which I drew up and sent with it a letter to the Midland Ry Directors praying for a Goods station at Clapham

Decr Recd a letter from Mr [illeg] Gen Manr saying the Directors did not see their way to incur the Expense at present Hard frost from the 23d to Decr 1st to 9th hard frost (Snow on 4h) Barom steady 29.5 in to 29.8 during the frost

min in screen on grass

18 13

16 12

20 16

21 13

22 18

25 22

15 11

16 12

15 14

21 19

10 to 23 warm thaw muggy
24 to Jany hard frost snow on 1st night

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Jany min Jany 1st =25o; 2d=18 ½ ; 3d= 15; 4th = 16o; 5th =15o; 6h = 21o; 7th =27o;
8h=32o; 9th =34; 10th =34; 11th =32o; 12th =33o; 13=29; 14-28; 15h =250; 16h =27;
17=32o snow 18h = 30; 20=33 thaw

Decr

Jany 1 Heavy snow in night Decr & Jany Burst four six inch bomb shells with ice =
12 specimens

Decr 31 Recd from Mr John Hartley the first portion of rent [illeg] from the ancient
Estate at Feizor viz £6. 19. 9 the first money I spent out of this was to get a pair of
gold spectacles from J Browning London

1893 Jany 19th Recd a pair of gold spectacles from John Browning 63 Strand being the first
item purchased with the first money I recd as rent from the Feizor Estate from Mr
John Hartley on December 31st 1892 price of spectacles complete [illeg] also gave SF
[illeg]

28 Sat Noel and I went to Feizor called upon Capstick the tenant of the old Feizor
Estate; then at David Woods, and old Nanny Wilman we afterwards went through the
old house where I was born and shewed and described all the rooms to Noel. Found in
the parlour the old oak Settle which was for many years in the farm house in [illeg]
[illeg] time. This I must have brought to Austwick Hall. Found that old Mrs Byles had
disposed of two scrapers let into from the old family house to her son who bought
Brunton House: will write to [continued next page] Last time I saw nanny alive she
died on Sunday morning Ap 2 1893 Easter Sunday

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1893 Jan 28 her and demand that they be replaced

„ First snowdrops half out at A.H. also yellow aconite

Ordnance Survey

a party of Surveyors came to Austwick on September 1892 for the purpose of revising
the work preparatory to the publication of the 25 inch maps. The head of the staff is
Mr John [illeg] who with his family took the house where old Dick Brown used to
live, the other Surveyor is Named Bates and has taken the house where old Henry
Foster used to live and [illeg] Wm Ashfield in one of Harlings houses Two assistants
[illeg] Mr Curries younger brother who lives with him and a young man named Rees
& another man who acts as chain bearer these two lodge with James Handley. I have
seen a good deal of Mr Currie and find him a very intelligent Companion and hope
when the weather grows milder to go out with him occasionally on his work.

Jany 31st 3pm Mr Jno Cervice[?] came up to my house and found the trigonometrical
Station point on the top of Austwick Hall wood a hole drilled in the solid rock 10 feet
0 ½ inches true SW from the top of my triangle mark on the face of the rock [illeg]
[drawing]

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1893 Jan 31 750 When the survey [illeg] [illeg] made what use they intend of this station to
solder into the hole a stout copper bolt to shew the place where the theodelite stood

when the angles were made in 1846 Trigpoint in 1846

Feb 1st [illeg] of the top rock & measured hole which is 13 inches deep Mr Jno Currie says he does not think the ordnance men would drill it so deep, so I conclude that my father must have made it deeper; he took great interest in the survey. Today I took two sets of measures and bearings, one from the apex of the triangle marked on the face of the wall of rock on the S side of the footpath 750 thus, to the iron rod in the "Trig" hole, another from the "trig" hole to the centre of fathers old "pole hole" in rock. 1st ^ = x to top of rod in station or "Trig" hole 10ft 0 ½ in; angle reading azimuth compass 206 ½ , giving a true bearing of S44o West or SW true. the variation of the compass being taken 17o 20' west per n[illeg] Alml[?]

2d Centre of fathers pole hole to centre of "Trig" station hole, 13ft 5 ½ inches angles shewn by azimuth compass 276o or true bearing of trig point from pole hole S113oW (abt WNW).

[illeg] impression of my bolt-head 1846 1893

7h Went out for the day with Mr Currie to trace out a line from a point near Cold cotes to a station near The High 3 miles, cold rain day result in influenza & lumbago

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impressions of my bolt head fixed into the Trigonometrical station at the top of Austwick Hall Wood [drawing & impressions]

actual size of bolt head (brass / and shank (iron) 7 ¾ inches uncovered

Feb 15 wed 11.15am soldered the above bolt into the "Trig" hole leaving brass head A above the rock also jammed into fathers pole hole an old oak spar rounded

The village and my plantation were surveyed by Mr Ashfield in May. The Home plantn was begun on 27 June and finished 2 July 93

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1893 Feb 5 [illeg] was vaccinated today by Dr Wm Metcalfe at Clapham. There are a great many cases of small pox in the country and several in the immediate district 4 in Giggleswick work house hospital which have been mainly brought to us by tramps
Oxenber 3d wrote to Mr Farrer in London asking his interference with the wholesale practice of grubbing up nut bushes etc in Austwick Wood

11h wrote a protest to the Chairman of the Wood Committee at herd testing[?] tonight

8 My wife in bed with a slight attack of Influenza

9 & 10 I was in bed from night of 8h to 11am on 11 with slight attack of Influenza & lumbago

14h First song thrush heard abt 5pm 15h fine spring morning thrushes singing

19 First primroses SE bank AH wood Rhodo Dahuricum half out

28 Heard Pheasant cock crow first time

Mar 3 not feeling well wife & I go to Southport for a week or ten days

13 wife and I return from Southport

11 Richard came home from School Scarlet fever having broken out over a hundred boys gone home

13 Richd saw a wood cock close to fountain in AH garden says it flew over carriage house into plantation above Kitchen garden Rhodo Dahuricum perfectly full of flowers. Dog tooth violets garden primroses, jonquills out. Daffodils ready to burst flower buds

16, 17, 18 Indoors (in bed two days) with another mild influenza temp 101.4 on 17h

18 and 19; 20th M 58o 21st T=62o; 22d W=60o; 23d Th=62o; 24th f= 66o; 25th S=65o; 26th=65o; 27h M=51; 28h=56; 29=60 ½ 30=60=31=59; apt[?] 52 H rain

NOTE quite like summer weather Barom steady nearly all the time at 29. 80 to 30.0 wind mostly west & very mild the most Extraordinarily fine weather for the time of year I ever Experienced

17 Alric Watkins entered as tenant Beck House

27 First thrushes eggs seen (by my son Richd)

Apl 2 Old Nancy Wilman died 12.30am today Easter Sunday b. 31 decr 1815 Went to Feizor after dinner to see John who was much cut up another link in the Chain of dear fathers memory and our [illeg] [illeg] [illeg] days gone

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1893 Apl 3 My eldest son Richard & my daughter Annie and I put down a set of new oak pegs with distances in yards from AH round the walks in Austwick Hall Wood

4 Nancy Wilman buried at Clapham Tuesday 4h Apl

6 a few gentians out primroses coming out fast

8 thorns half out. Avenue beginning to look green

\$9 5.30pm One of my old tenants Tom Foster died rather suddenly from heart disease

7 & 8 April 1893

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11h Wife Self & 2 boys went to Worston near Chatburn where we stayed from Tuesday to Sat visiting top of Pendle on Wed 12h also Whalley Abbey, Mitton Church, Stonyhurst Colege, Sawley, Clitheror & Gisburn returned home on Sat Evg 15h April

15 First swallows seen, over Clapham pond by Henry Shepherd

17 Young of Missle thrush seen by my son Richd birds abt 2 days old

24 Large white rhodo in front full out; gentians full out Chestnuts and some of Ley sycamores nearly full out also most of the thorns and larches Primrose carpet in wood fully out Lilly of valley bursting into flower Noel gathered a few this morning.

27 Cuckoo heard. Diletra spectabilis, tall Summer snowdrop; apple blossom lilly of the valley all out in full flower; primroses past best

29 First rain for 6 weeks followed by more rain on 30 & colder weather See Symonds[?] book

May 1 Wrote to Postmaster general asking him to let us have a wire from the projected main line of wires passing Harden Bridge also wrote a memorial and got it signed by inhabitants forwarded it to Postmaster General on

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1893 May 4 Sad accident

Today abt 12 noon Richd Wm Dugdale son of Mr Thos Dugdale of Austwick met a sad death. He was engaged on the ordnance survey of which there have been a party of men surveying the district Since Sept last under the directorship of Mr John Currie. The boy 14 years old was employed as Chain bearer to one of the Staff a Mr Tom Rees. Today they were on Norber when it appears Rees was measuring along the line which divides Sleetas breast from Norber. This wall terminates on the highest point of the cliff overhanging Tarn Thwaite and it appear[s] Rees sent the boy with the tape to the end of the wall marked X where he gave him instructions to move a trifle to his left to enable Rees to obtain a true line. By some means not known the boy slipped

upon a stone and fell down the sheer wall of rock a distance afterwards measured by myself of 93 feet his body then appears to have bound off to a distance of 40 feet among the screes. The inquest was held at the Cock Inn Austwick on the following day (5h Thursday) T R Clapham foreman when a verdict of accidental death was given and exonerating T Rees from all blame

[sketch]

6th while my son Noel and two of my tenants boys were in Sellarth a pasture of mine through which the beck they found a young otter which they captured. Otters at Austwick and brought home in a basket. The little animal was about 12 or 13 inches long and about 2lb weight. I at once told Noel to take it back into the stream where he got it and on his return informed me that he saw another young one also the older otter. I hope they will live to maturity and not be hunted down by the otter hounds. I shall certainly forbid these gentry entering upon my land.

London

11 Wife and I left Clapham Station 9am: arrd Nottingham 12.40 where S left for Hoveringham to see her sister Cossie. I went onto London ard 3.20 from Charing X to Tunbridge Wells where I arrd abt 5.54. Walked across town to LB & SC station left 7.25 ard Crodborough[?]

12 8.15 visited Mr Isaac Roberts observatory next day & returned to town at 4.51 Met Willis direct to Royal Ast Society meeting & spent Sat at Hadley wood Willis. Ret to London Sunday morning to 11 Mornington Road. Geo Hick & I went to see Church parade in the Bow about 1pm had lunch & spent the afternoon at Kew gardens & Richmond to 11 Mornington Road that night. Left London on

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1893 May 16 Mondy 15 for Hovingham & left there on tuesday 16 for home where we arrd abt 6pm

[cutting] May 1892 £6. 15. 0

20 Sent off to the Postmaster General a Memorial for a telegraph office for Austwick

27 Sat Jane Moore our Excellent housmaid left us to be married She has been in my service nearly six years and we all feel her loss very much.

Noel & I went by noon train to Ingleton & Kirkby Lonsdale Shewed him the town and the beautiful view from the Church Yard we then went to Casterton old Hall to see Mrs Eliz Haythornethwaite my old friend. She had a Stroke shortly and I found her very feeble She lives with her daughter Janie now Mrs [blank] Her husband farms the old Hall farm. Janie has a fine girl about 2 years old.

June 3 Mr & Mrs Prowse & 2 children came to us 7 Wife & I Mr & Mrs Prowse went to Alum pot 9 Prowse and I went to Gaping Gill Hole returned river[?] Trow gill got negatives of all 3 subjects Sunday afternoon and was in bed Mond 12 13 & 14 with Influenza 16h 80o; 17h 51/84; 18th 55/84 ½

19th Mr & Mrs Prowse and children left us after a most enjoyable visit of 16 days we shall miss them very much. Weather gloriously[?]

Ordnance Survey

27 Mr Ashfield commenced the survey of Austwick Hall Wood

July 1 Mr Ashfield surveys AH Peel Tower garden, front lawn at Austwick Hall Bob Dryden as his assistant Chain bearer

Trigonom. Station AH Wood

7th 6pm Noel and I took down the flag staff and cairn on the top of the plantation. I rolled a large block of limestone onto the rock where the brass trig bolt is placed &

placed another big piece on the top of this filled in the interstices with small stones & intend to sod it all round in the form of a mound so that it will be kept secret, untill unearthed by a new generation of surveyors. The old hole had not been disturbed for 47 years. When will my brass bolt head be again unearthed. Mr Currie & Bates & rees leave

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- 1893 July Austwick on Mond July 10 for Edinbro. Mr Ashfield will remain to clear off outstanding work
8 Wife, Self and Noel went to Whitby stayed at 12 West Terrace canon cross [illeg]
20 Returned from Whitby – Mr & Mrs Booth came to A.H left 24th
29 Maggie Byers and Madge Maynard came. Left
Aug 2 Richard came home from school his friend Robt Aspinwall with him
22 Maggie & Madge Maynard left us today the former to Louth latter to Chesterfield
25 Richard and I go to Southport for a weekend to recruit a bit[?]
30 Richard & I returned home from Southport
Sept 5 Gathered all garden apples splendid crop nearly 2 cwt
4 Charlie Lord relays all steps all flags on broad walk AH Gardens
7 Mr & Mrs Xhambers and daughter came for 4 nights left 11h
10 Therm 37o first signs of cold weather house[?] [illeg] [illeg] fires[?] yet
13 Richard goes back to Giggleswick School
Smoke Room
14 Took down partition and put the two little rooms into one as the present smoke room & study was too small & cramped and the fire made it too hot. It is now a nice large room with two windows. New paper & paint finished about 22d Sep in on 26th
14h The Summer of 1893 Barom average 29.50 to 30.0 in
Beginning practically on the 18 March and with the Exception of a few showery days we have had intermittent spring and summer weather ever since. The temp was never higher than 85 ½ and we have had had no fires up to present date and had afternoon tea in the garden up to the 12h inst. Fruit and flowers good all round. Altogether we have had more sunshine and more really fine enjoyable weather than any year I remember. Hay crops light but the fog[?] and pastures recovered in a remarkable manner and now the pastures are looking better than any year known. This has been the finest summer on record though unique in many ways. Temperature now falling and decided signs of autumnal cold weather though clear skys prevail and 16 today we are having fires for the first time regularly
Ordnance Survey
18 Mr Harry Ashfield the last of the Staff left Austwick today to join Mr Currie & the others at Edinbro

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- 1893 Autumn & Swallows
Sept 22d Swallows nearly all gone yesterday Cold weather coming on all at once 33o minm this morning & 10h = 37; 11h = 40o / 62 12h 36/63; 13 43/61 14 54/64 17 37/ ; 22 33/49; 2333/
23 Thunder and hail 9am Fountains Fell grey with snow
Oct 2 Last swallow seen at AH saw one at Clapham 7h
7 Very wet weather the last fortnight but clearing 3d Tina Nisbet came

Painting A. H

10 Radcliffe commenced painting outside of AH one coat of Carsons Light Portland Stone colour the two coats in Nov 1891 were hardly sufficient and the weather at the time being broken the coats were not so good as they might have been decided to give the house another coat this autumn which makes a good job of it. Finished 13 Oct 1893

Feizor Shooting

10 Started with my man Henry Shepherd about 10 am for a walk to Noodles[?] wood and In Moor & back moor. We took Floss my spaniel but saw nothing in the woods but two rabbits On the Moor saw a brood of 6 grouse but they got up a long way out of shot. This is the first time I have taken a gun over this Estate since it came into my own possession I have not fired a shot over this part once a happy hunting ground, since 1877. The heather on the far pasture has very much increased since I was last over it and is now very good grouse cover. It felt like old times going over the bit[?] of heather again.

13 Prowse and Young Wm Isherwood came for weekend frid to mond left Mond 16th we shot rabbits in own cover on Saty Ishwd 4

16 Tina Nisbet left Monday 16th Autumn tints very fine better than in Jubilee year

20 Frid went to Liverpool and Oxton Stayed with Prowse till Tuesday

24 24h when I ret home 23 on board HMS[?] Majestic in Langton dock

Ordnance Survey

25 Mr Collinson one of the Ordnance Dept called upon me about a boundary matter which I satisfactorily solved for him. He came from Leicester where his[?] stationed. Even Ordnance Survey drs[?] will insist upon their own ideas sometimes and give a lot of unnecessary trouble

Burial Ground

Oct 25 Met Dr Hoffman of London who came to inspect Burial Ground which he passed. He wished me to send duplicate plans to Home office whh I did next day

Nov 1 Mr John Hartley came to check my plan & measurements which he found correct

Sep 23d 33/ 48; 24 35/ ; Oct 27h 34/ ; 30 – 27/ ; 31st – 25/ 44 ; Nov 5h 23/

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1893 Long Scar & Rabbits &c

Nov 4 Joined Dr Metcalfes Ambulance class at Clapham about 30 members

13 I headed a deputation of owners and occupiers of sheep gaits on Long Scarrs Austwick Wood Etc to Mr Farrer at Inglebro to ask him to use his influence as Lord of the Manor to put a stop to the preservation of rabbits by the syndicate who now rent the shooting on Allotment &c on these stinted pastures present T R Clapham, Leond Chapman, Thos Chapman Foster Metcalfe Richd Jackson Richd Buck W Taylor Thos Nowell. Introduced the deputation to Mr Farrer After discussing the matter in various ways Mr Farrer decided to allow the tenants of the Sheep gaits to get rabbits on the stinted pastures from 10h of December to the 12h August in each year. After 12 August the rabbits to be the Sole property of the tenant of the shooting viz from 12 August to 10 Decr This will practically squash the rabbit preserve. I thanked Mr Farrer for the kind way in which he had recd the deputation. Out of the above 7 farmers only one thought it worth his while to thank me for the trouble I had been at in going with them to Mr Farrer

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Nov 14 Went with my wife to interview a Nursery governess and procure a trained nurse for a sick child at Austwick I went to Bradford. Nurse Smith came same evening and made her quarters here when not with the child

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- 1893 Nov 17 Mr Booth came from Rochdale and stayed till tuesday 21st on the 18th cd not get out on account of hurricane. Mr Booth fitted my division[?] plate to my lathe turned down nozzle & fitted a new clamping piece to it
- 18 Sat One of the hardest gales known for many years blew all over England and Wales today The wind was from N to NNE and attained hurricane force. Great damage done and many lives lost in nearly every county 18 trees were blown down in Austwick Hall wood including a Chestnut above the garden
- Coal war
- 20 The end of this sad coal miners lock out which has lasted for between 16 and 17 weeks ended today. Coal went up to 1/7 to 2/1 a cwt and £2 per [illeg] in bulk
- Great Storm Sat 18 Nov 1893 see above
- 27 Miss Gertrude Akehurst came as Nursery Governess £__
- Burial Ground
- Decr 4 Mond James Wearing commences work at wall of B.G today
- Beck House drains &c
- Decr There having been a case of diphtheria here, the medical officer examined the pump and found water very bad. I got Holmes plumber to come over [illeg] inspector and after a careful examination I decided to put in a new W.C with soil pipe outside and to cut a straight drain from [illeg] of soil pipe to a cesspool in the field using the old sanitary tubes to carry away roof water into a separate drain I intend to put down a tank in stable yard 100 gals and run the water which comes from the roadside well into this tank and lead the pump into this. This water will be used for domestic purposes and supply the WC cistern in the Attic. The overflow will be taken through the corner of the garden and put back into its own watercourse. A plan was formed by putting a small trough in Jas Inglebys field and bringing pipe from this to pump. I have decided to Keep all within my own property thereby avoiding complications in going into another persons land.

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- 1893 Decr 8 wrote to Local Govt Office London asking if eaves water was or was not to be put into dr[?] sewage drain
- Flight of pigeons
- 7 About 3pm on going out of front door saw a very large flock of birds which I at first thought were rooks. they came from S & settled in Plantation. Having to go to Great Croft saw them all in trees & on clapping my hand they all arose with a sound like the sea breaking on a rough beach. There must have been between 2000 & 3000 of them. They were wood pigeons. They flew in direction of the woods above Clapham Lake I never saw such a sight in my life
- 14 Gales Have had succession of westerly & SW Gales on 20^o Barom
- Ambulance Class Clapham
- 16h Sat Dr Bone of Hornby[?] Examined this class in the School room at Clapham this afternoon 26 members present all passed a very successful Exam in viva voce, bandaging and stretcher drill I was coupled with Pemberton of Moughton Quarry &

Graham and Ward of the Midland Railway. I took the command of No 1 Stretcher drill and later on was asked to take command of No 2 stretcher drill the others being also railway men One of the latter very kindly asked me to make up a vacant man and to take the lead I passed them through "sharp" and the Examining Dr said "good" I dined with Dr Metcalfe & Dr Bone. after the latter had left Dr Metcalfe & I arranged for an Ambulance Class at Austwick in Jany as[?] this ambulance Class has been well attended and the men all entered into the Spirit of the thing thoroughly

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[printed flier about ambulance class]

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1893 Decr Influenza

This has broken out again in England and we have had a good many cases in the village. Wife took cold on 7h Decr influenza on following day. Came down stairs 11h had to go back on act of relapse and did not get down stairs again till frid 22d

Beck House

21 Holmes finished laying pipes from New well [illeg] road side into Beck House. pump works all right. Nothing left but out let drain of cess pool to finish and eaves waste drain to finish; it has cost a lot of money but the job is a good one & well done

1894 Jany 3 Wife Self Children go [illeg] to Southport for a fortnight [illeg] both She & I feel knocked out of true with the effects of influenza. Annie Moore went with us as servant

7h 1847 and 1894 my Father & myself

18 we all returned from Southport (5th anniversary of Annies death

5h My Min Thermomr I found regd 7o or 25o of frost on 7th Jany

20 Robt Shepherd went to Lancaster & enlisted into Royal Engineers

Ambulance Classes

25 Thursday The Clapham Ambulance gave a public demonstration in the School Room before a large gathering. Dr Metcalfe Expressed himself pleased with the work done Prest Dr M with whip [illeg] programme. Distribution of Certificates

1 various uses of [illeg] bandages

2 stretcher drill no 2 – stretcher drill no 1

3 [illeg] Ap [illeg] Dr Sylvester 11 carried out dtretcher by Clapham [illeg] [illeg] & [illeg]

4 Injured Collar bone, broken ribs, broken thigh 11 stretcher drill no 1

5 apparently [illeg] Marshall Hall, Clapham Harrison & Higson stretcher No 2

6 broken forearm, arm, Jaw, wound in scalp

7 Improvised method of Stretcher

8 compress an artery Tournequet on Femoral artery Clapham; Padding Elbow

9 various methods of carrying patients 4 hand; 3 hand; 2 hand Clapham & Browne

10 Taking an insensible man from a burning room, Higs & [illeg]

Vote of thanks by Clapham to Chairman

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1894 Jany 27 Dr Metcalfe comences his Ambulance Class at Austwick School 6pm 17 members present

3 Feb 20 members present all taking a lively interest in the work Dr Metcalfe has

deputed me to take charge of the practices which we have in the School on Wednesday Evenings at 7pm. I took a lesson from Clapham class and have a better system so that all can see. Ambulance Stretcher drill is what they need most.

[2 cuttings]

S West gales

6 – 7 Strong westerly gales prevailed for [illeg] days especially on 6 & 7 with heavy rain

9 Heard a thrush today at AH 10 Henry heard several early this morning

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Heavy S. W gales

On Sat & Sund Feb 10 & 11 very violent gales from WSW raged all over the Country doing much damage 7 more trees blown down in Austwick Hall wood

16 Thrushes singing beautifully

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1894 9 Feb Trigonometric station

Henry Shepherd and I made an earth and sod mound round the stone mound covering the trig bolt. this will I hope grow over with grass and so prevent any curious mortal from moving the stones

Burial ground

16 The wall round new burial ground finished today

23 Wife & Self went to Southport returned 28

Mar 1 Telegraph poles are being planted on Turnpike from Settle towards Clapham

\$4 last pole planted yesterday on hill between Harden Bridge & cross Street. Poles laid all along roadside to Clapham

7th Steps laid at Burial Ground also threshold completed 5th Made a carefully drawn scale plan of grave spaces according to act. Framed this for use of vicar to be hung in vestry and today 7h staked out same on ground accurately. I only planned about 1/3 of the ground which gave 509 graves which will last the parish according to present death rate of 9.25 per annum as follows one body in each grave 55 years; 2 bodies 110 years; 3 bodies 165 years

12 Dog tooth violet out in Avenue and plant. Jonquills and daffodils coming out

The Spring cloudy & wet

16 All the early part of the year has been very wet accompd with heavy westerly gales and high temp: today however the temp has gone down and we have had a fine bright sunny day the beginning I hope of settled fine. Land very wet and seeds[?] drying up

16 first wagtail

20 Thrushes nest in garden & wood

26h SF & Annie went to Rochdale Rhodo fulgens all bloom nearly out thorn in Ley half out Thinned Long tram & Norber Plant Charlie Spedding begun today finished

27h Thermom in shade 62o

27 Max 65o – 32o min 28 65o – 30o

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1894 Mar 28 Thorn in Ley ½ out all vegetation coming on fast

Ap 1 Thrushes nest in apple tree in garden 4 eggs

Friday 30 March Shady defunction on Sun and enormous faculae; observed very fine prom[illeg] same night at 10.30 to 11 saw the grandest display of Aurora I have ever

seen. Watched this grand Aurorae till 1 am day following thunder & for several days on the 3 april a very heavy storm to the S. 5 -6pm

6h Ambulance Demonstration in the School see Extract from local paper. All went well without any hitch, thanks partly to a good rehearsal the night previous. The meeting was fairly well attended 18/9 taken at the door. Every one appeared to take an interest in the demonstration as it shewed the people the practical work of the Class. The day following I posted up in the village a balance sheet of account for Class which shewed a balance & [illeg] to the Hon Secty (myself) of 10/4 ½ I only hope the Knowledge gained may prove useful to the members. It has been a very pleasant bit of work for me as acting Secretary
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- 1894 April 18 wed First Swallow seen at Austwick
20 Young thrushes below observatory left the nest do in apple tree in garden left nest
22 Cuckoo heard here first time
24 Went to London & Crowborough Sussex 25 Spent a couple hours with Dr Roberts in his Observatory returned to London 25 to the Meeting of the British Astronomical Association at the University College Gower Street 26 went over the Tower 26 Burlington House Royal Ast Soc rooms & left for home 2.10
New iron balusters Austwick Hall
Mondy May 7 Hergers men Settle begin fitting these to front staircase in place of the plain straight wooden square rods worked till 10pm and on Tuesday till 11pm on wednesday noon finished putting up balusters & would I think have gone away but the joints of the rail were moved so I said this must be put right so the men took off projections with Chissel and sandpapered and polished the whole top rail. Found top rail on gallery was not firm so after a consultation we decided to put down two strong iron stays at the back as the best way out of it men worked till 10 on Wednesday and finished the work on thursday 4pm. Had to scrape & repolish hand rail on account of joints having moved. Had to put up two strong iron stays on the gallery to stiffen rail otherwise it wd not be safe. Mrs Rob Ingleby tells me the old banister was put up when she was about ten years old or in 1815 Painters finished 30th
10 Mrs Byers came 11th Alfd Prowse [illeg] Booth came
12 Prowse & I walked to skyline on Lawkland moor via But. Gap retd by shooting hut & [illeg]
15 Prowse [illeg] Liverpool 16 Strong gale Eastd
County Council Milestones
18 Chained 4 miles of Kendal & Keighly Turnpike Road starting from milestone at Clapham Bridge to the milestone on sumit of Bucca Brow. Robt Dryden a village boy acting as chainman. I found several discrepancies in the new measures I used a light chain of my fathers which I thoroughly tested yesterday and the result of my measures are seen on the opposite page. I found wires being put on telegraph poles between X street & Clapham
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- 1894 May 18 the old milestone on the N side of the road on the Summit of Bucca Brow had been taken up but the place where it formerly stood was noted and the stone placed some three yards away under the wall

Clapham Bridge New mile post 0
Sandaber do 80 ch 22 links
Cross Streets 80 chns 22 links

Crow nest 80 chns 50 links

Bucca Brow 80 chns 21 links

Sandaber old stone to Cross Streets old stone 80c 49l Cross streets old stone crownest
80c 19l

old ch link new copy from working book

0 0 Clapham Bridge

79, 72 80, 46 Sandaber [drawing]

May 19 Scarlet thorn just coming out also peonies. Rhodos over

21 Min 28 cold hail sleet & snow – hills white all flowers badly cut down by frost.

Made a snow ball: ice 1/16 thick to 1/8 in

Burial Ground

23 The Bishop of Ripon Consecrated the Burial ground today at 1pm. A good many there. I did not go into the ground as I did not think the Bishop had acted fairly to Austwick; but stood in the green lane alone. Others who had professed indifference and dislike to consecration flocked there shewing the gross inconsistency of some people who dare not back up their loud words by deeds; but who are as ready as anyone to toady up to big folks. There was a fair lot of it today
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May 23 Fathers Seat

Kirkbright put up a new seat under the horse chestnuts above the garden in the place of the old one which had been up above 40 years and was my fathers favourite seat in the plantation

24 Put up flagstaff on centre Chimney and flew my House flag (red ensign & crest) all day. The flags have not been flown since Jubilee Year in 1887. left flagstaff up over the Summer

June 2 Scarlet thorns are blaze of colour. I think I never saw all thorns so full

8 wife & I went to Oxton to visit Prowse Mond 11 went 21 miles up the Manchester Ship Canal returned home tues 12 retd home

The Summer

27 May & June have been dark & cold and altogether rather unseasonable; today however a spell of warm weather has set in afyer a copious supply of rain and the grass is greener 27=71o; 28=75o; 29=77; 30=79o July 1=78o

1 Sept to Oct splendid Clear weather

July 2 Many farmers beginning hay today 7 Metcalf finished 28 July

3 Mrs Byers leaves us after a stay of 8 weeks less 2 days Came 10 May

Faculty for two graves in New Burial Ground

Having thought over the matter of obtaining a faculty by which to obtain sole right for myself & family of burial there on 5 June wrote Mr Wise Diocesan Registrar asking him to Secure me the two grave spaces marked C 1 & 2 on plan and on 19 recd a formal petition to vicar general which I had to sign also Vicar and Church wardens & returned same with my own private plan to Mr Wise. On 8 July a citation was put up on Church door where it has to remain 15 days giving anyone interested time to oppose the faculty. On Sat 4h July 1894 I received

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- 1894 a Parchment Faculty or License which confers to me & my family the Exclusive right to grave spaces C nos 1 & 2 on plan Cost of getting this [illeg] Mr Wise Diocesan Registrar £n. n. 0
13 went to [illeg] [illeg] Esquire retd on 14h
July 23 Roses in abundance Strawberries at best a good crop
June 27 – 71o; 28 – 75; 29 54/77; 30 – 59/79 July 1 – 49/78; Thurd 2 – 56/71; 3 – 50/65; 4 – 45/68; 5th 50/75 6 53/76 Thurd 7 49/64 the 8 – 45/64; 25 2/71 the 26
28 Booth Came for week End left mon 30 M Maynard came 30th left Aug 13th
Augst 1 Dick came home from School 2d Cossie & her child came left 6 Sept 5 weeks
July 26 [?]/71; 27 51/74; 28 53/72; 29 56/74; 30 47/73; 31 [?]/76; Aug 1 56/62; 2 54/60 flood 3 49/58 h rains 4 53/62 5 47/65; 7 48/62; 8 52/62; 9 52/63; 10 50/ ; 17 45/65 15 40/ ; 18 47/
Monday 13 Augt 1894 [cutting]
This accident happened on the old moor originally rented by John Ingleby & myself but now rented by a syndicate composed of Fowlds from Burnley, W Wilkinson Skipton Brown Do and others. The accident happened at the drive at Long Scar new butts and Mr Wilkinson was the unfortunate careless one So much for [illeg] grouse driving by non gentlemen
Mond 13 I took my two boys for a short trip to Ireland. This is the first time that they have been away from the island of their birth and although the weather was very unsettled, we all enjoyed the little change

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- 1894 Augt 13 we left Clapham station 7.40 and reached Barrow about 9.50 Went on board the beautiful steamer City of Belfast which left the wharfe about 10pm we had a very calm passage and arrd Belfast about 6am; tuesday took train 6.10
14 to Portrush thence by Electric train to Giants Causway. Stayed at Causway Hotel & spent the whole day about on rocks. Next day left at 8am an [inserted Met Mr Jas Lancaster Optician [illeg] at Causway a very decent fellow indeed]
15 hour at Port Rush & then onto Londonderry Saw Walkers Statue, Cathedral, walls & on to Belfast that night. Spent the whole of thursday
16 in Belfast College, Botanic Gardens, Museum Docks & places of general interest. Left Belfast 8pm by City of Belfast and reach Barrow on
17 Friday abt 4pm and Clapham St 9am The weather was broken but we all enjoyed the change and it is a nice object leasson for the lads
18 Maggie Byers came left tues 11 September 3 ½ weeks
13 Monday Dick & I with Henry & Floss hunted Far Moor at Feizor. The first time I have hunted for grouse on my own land on the opening day of grouse shooting. Saw no birds or any “foul[?] either”
23 Maggie Byers, Cossie Dick & I spent the day at Casterton Kirkby Lonsdale &c Saw Mrs Haythornthwaite & her daughter Janie the former recovered from a stroke the latter had been laid up for 10 weeks. Willie got appointment at Portsmouth

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- 1894 Walks in A.H. Plantation

Aug 22 Finished trimming walks in the above. Gave them a thoroughly good cutting back all through the wood

23 Telegraph poles up at Austwick between Cross Streets to the post office in the village

29h Wire laid from Cross Str to Austwick

Ley wall bottom

Charles Lord rebuilding west side of passage at foot of Ley. The fence is Robt Stockdales but I got his permission in writing to do it. The wall was coming down and I knew he wd not rebuild it as he seems very careless as to the condition of his property finished 13 September

Sky light in Attic AH

30 A new iron moveable Skylight was put into the N side of the roof to enable the roof to be reached more safely, an iron ladder fixed inside

31 Measles &c Annie went to bed of 31 up 6h Sep Dick on Sunday 2 3.30pm to 10 4.2

Sep 3 Dr Metcalfe saw both patients. Dick in measles up 6h downstairs 7h

7 Mrs Metcalfe Townhead Farm died abt 2.30pm burrd 12

Morecambe Accident

3d Mond A sad boating accident Saml Houghton started in his sailing boat 10.30 to go to Grange had on board 34 passengers got as far as Grange Channel "dodging" between Grange and Silverdale. a curious squall struck the boat & without having time to do anything the boat went over and 25 persons were drowned 9 only saved. Had a talk with some of my old boating friends at Morecambe on Sat. They were very reticent, but one man in answer to my query said "Yes all was fast"

Burial Ground 1st interment

11h tues: Infant Child of Robert Turner repairer Eldroth interred 2pm today

12 woodcock was seen in A Plantation as Dick & I were coming down Horse pasture at dusk Dick saw the bird come very quietly out of the plant about quarry wall & fly in direction of whitebeck. I missed seeing it

Swallows

13 Bulk of the Swallows going today. 15 only two are then seen

24 Levelled up from II at Townhead to AH which is 547ft 6 ¾ in above Sea level see page 343

28 last lot of late Swallows 11 on roof this morning; left later in the day Leaves falling fast

September This has been one of the finest months of this mottled[?] year. On 28h

27 We had a camp in Horse Pasture and afternoon tea in the field the afternoon quite warm. Children played Indians. Dick school next day

Kitchen Range

Oct 3-5 The new Kitchen range supplied by Harvey & Greenwood Settle was put in its place by a man named Evans working for Winskill

Ordnance Maps

4 Recd four 25 in scale sheets (mounted) from Stamford London

Post Office Telegraphs [cutting]

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1894 and coloured in all my estates next day. They make very good plans

Telephone

Oct 5 Telephone fitted today and connection made with Settle PO

Autumn Summer weather

September was a most lovely month clear sky warm weather and steady barr 30in
October same till 7h when light rain fell again succeeded by clear sky & warm
weather. On 9h max = 60 ½ o Sunday 7h Oct first light rain for a month and again on
wed 10h thurs 11 is as a hot summer day [illeg] rain 12 13 Oct continued fine weather
till Sat 20 Oct when the weather broke with NE gale & rain 22 hard frost 25o which
spoilt all our garden beauties but the day was bright & clear and warm in the Sun 23o
temp min 27h and cold rain. This I think ends our fine autumn weather

10 Spoke through the Telephone at the Post Office Austwick for the first time.
Connection on with Clapham. Could distinguish William Capsticks voice quite easily
& he replied is it Mr Clapham. This is the first time I have really used a telephone.
The one at Austwick is not open yet but Expect it will be ready any day

Telegraph open Wed 17 Oct 1894

17 I sent the first message to Prowse "Prowse Isherwood & Hughes The Albany
Liverpool Telegraph opened here today Clapham"

a visitation of Measles & throughout the village Dick begun 2 Sept temp 104.2
downstairs 7h Noel begun 6 Oct temp 103.6 downstairs 11h Annie begun 16 Oct temp
103.2

Flagstaff at AH

19 – 20 Removed the pole from the attic (& which I used on the middle chimney ever
since the mast was blown down on the lawn) as I do not care at my age to go onto the
roof and got Capstick to make an iron band to encircle the Smoke room chimney with
a clamp in it and a hoop and bolt put in lower down for the foot of the pole to rest in. I
have done this partly to please Noel whi is never tired of seeing the British Union
Jack. Finished and sent up a flag on [blank] A good proportion for a flag staff for
House top if required [drawing] 21 feet overall

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1894 Shrubs for Burial Ground and Austwick Hall

Oct 16 ordered a quantity of Thyopsis Borealis and Rhodo Ponticum for B]urial
ground 24 of each also alot of mixed shrubs for do 6 Hybrid Rhododendrons for bank
under chestnut trees above garden

Planted 26 at AH four dark blue Clematis Jackmanii one for each side of porch one
for south side of Dining Room window another between Smoke room & dining room
window. The above were planted on 26h Oct Cost £3. 10. 9 & Care from Station

24 The mother and I go [illeg] to Buxton returned via Sheffield on Wed Nov 7 spent
afternoon Greasbro Cossie meeting us at (Nov 7) Rotherham all went to Birdwell wife
& I ret home thurs 8h

10 Raised Smoke room Chimney abt 4ft 6in Cost about £2. 8. 6

21 John William Feizor & Jane Poole Settle married at Austwick Chh
[cutting – The Rockery Stone Scare]

This case caused a great deal of Excitement in the district. Superintendent Green
ordered all rockery stones to be removed from fronts of houses at Ingleton & Clapham.
The cases were brought before the Ingleton Bench. The magistrates being dictated by
their Clerk who was in league with the Police Suptd the magistrates shewed great
weakness in fact in several cases the matter was of a nature in which I think they had
no control and ought to have been taken to a higher court. A great amount of letters
appeared [illeg] [illeg] to the tyrannical use of police powers the above is from my
pen and so far is the only one touching on the legal aspect of the case.

Parish Council

Decr 4 A well attended meeting of voters was held in the School Room at Austwick on Tuesday 4 Decr 1894 Mr Arthur Byles was voted to the chair by T R Clapham second by J Mattinson After giving some information as to Parish Meetings he received nomination papers. Five Councillors were to be elected and 11 nomination papers were sent in. After a show of hands the gentlemen in the newspaper cutting were elected: but a poll was demanded by Charles Lord. The poll is to be held on [blank] the [blank] of decr when the 5 Councillors will be elected. The meeting was on the whole orderly & quiet [cutting]

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- 1894 Decr 11h Went to Rochdale for a few days to Mr Booth. Heard Sir Robt Ball lecture that night on invisible stars 13 Heard Irving and Ellen Terry at Manchester in Becket, returned home Sat 15 after a very pleasant visit.

Village or Parish Council Poll

15 The Poll demanded at the parish meeting was held in the school today from 8am to 8pm two returning officers sitting all day This will of course add £15 or £20 to the rates It might have been simplified and taken at the Parish meeting if Town official had had the common sense to endeavour to simplify matters for so small an election Spending money seems to be the order of the day as initiated by County Council [cutting]

20 Frauline Heptring[?] came from St Bees to take the place of Miss Akehurst during the holidays. She comes for her board as she has to leave her school

21-22 A very heavy gale about west begun here abt 6.30pm and blew with terrific gusts during the night and early morning of the 22d Salt was blown from Morecambe bay and deposited on my west windows about 2.30pm 22 gale abated and we had a clear sky. 9 trees blown down in Austwick Hall Plant This has been the most severe storm since Tay Bridge. Great damage all over England and 120 deaths (up to 24h) near Crew a truck was blown onto the track of the London Express which ran into the truck & train wrecked 14 Killed and 50 wounded. Trains stopped and an engine blown onto its side at Hawes junct. a record gale pressure 60-69 lb per foot

21 Miss Ingleby died at Harrogate aged 67

Parish Council 1st meeting

Decr 31 A meeting was held in the girls school room at 7.30pm Mr Arthur Byles Chairman of Parish Meeting in the Chair. Present the 5 Councillors Clapham, Hudson, Lund, Metcalfe & R Whitfield. The Chairman gave an outline of what had to be done at the Meeting. First all members signed the declaration to serve. Richd Whitfield proposed & T R Clapham seconded that Mr Byles be Chairman of Council. Mr Byles referred the meeting to myself as the most likely person for Chairman but I declined on medical grounds so Mr Byles accepted the office and made a complimentary speech as to the honour conferred upon him. I proposed and Metcalfe seconded that the assistant

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- 1894 Overseer Wm Bond be appointed Clerk. I proposed and Whitfield seconded that Mr Bruce of Yorkshire Bank Settle be appointed treasurer. All of the above carried unanimously. Rich Whitfield proposed and Lund seconded that a requisition of £30 be called from overseer for current Expenses. It was decided to meet weekly at 7.30 to

discuss the general points of act and make ourselves acquainted with the working of the Same.

1895 Jany 2-4 Richard and I went to Liverpool spent two nights with Prowse at Oxton and got a refit for Richard in Liverpool

Jany 2d = 27o; 3 – 27o; 4 – 25o; 7 – 20o; 8 – 30o; 9 – 23o; 10 – 17; 11 – 17; 12 – 21o; 13 – 25o; 14h – 31o On \$13 heavy Gale from East driving Snow 14h thaw On \$ afternoon when (13) heavy gale had slightly moderated I went to the waterfall above the garden to See where the water was stopped when a startled woodcock got up at my feet from the little pond at foot of fall Snow drifts very deep in some parts of the country

18 Anniversary of dear Annies death. Wife & I called at the vicarage in the morning. Mr Ward seriously ill died 1 am 19 Jany Sat aet 75y 5m buried Tuesday 22d in New Burial Ground a very large attendance X

19 William Abbotson late of Austwick buried Long Preston aet 79 ½ years

23 Roads one sheet of ice and all but impassible. Snow then thaw and afterward hard frost converted all the roads into a sheet of ice. No one ever remembers the roads in such a state

Fred Byers

25 Wife goes to Southsea 9am train to see her brother who is seriously ill with brain tumour. Man Proposes but God disposes. The dear wife took a bad chill & was kept in bed for four days got down stairs tues 29 only for 3 hours. In her bed from Thursd night Jan 24 to Mond 29 up in her room all day. I was in bed Wedy 30 all day chill & liver compt the result of fatigue on Monday

28 Went to the funeral of my dear old friend Eliz Haythornthwaite who died at Casterton old Hall on the 24 and was buried in the quiet little Chapel yard Ingleton Fell aged 72. This is the last of the old Weathercote Connection. Poor Janie her daug seemed to have a strong affection for her old friends and she talked with me a long time after the funeral. Poor dear soul I fear her outlook is not encouraging as her husband is not at all suited to her & is unsteady (her daughter 5th birthday)

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[cutting]

The Conservative Committee here cd not get a Chairman as Mr Ward was very ill. So I said I would take the Chair rather than the Committee should be stuck fast.

31 Jany Very severe cold weather for more than a month with heavy snow all over. 9 miles of Railway blocked north of North Allerton Drifts 24 feet deep on the line, and snow up to the bedroom windows of the houses

Feb 4 All covered with snow still was confined to house after funeral at Weathercote on 28 Jany till 2 Feby with bad cold and Exhaustion: wife getting better but never out of house till Monday when I took her to Leeds and saw her off by London train

Feb 4 en route for Southsea I made some calls in Leeds and did some business coming home by train arriving at 5.5 Clapham. My wife arrived at Southsea at 7pm and I recd in an hour from that time a telegram announcing her safe arrival for which I was truly grateful.

6h heavy snow fall all day beginning abt 4am. Today is the sixth week of this severe weather which commenced abt 27 Decr

Jany 15 = 32; 18 = 30; 20 = 30; 21 = 31; 23 = 27; 24 = 24; 25 = 29; 26 = 20; 28 = 18
Feb 1 = 17; 2 = 30; 3 = 30; 4 = 31; 5 = 22; 7 = 16

7 Yesterday snowfall all over England trains snowed up in N England cold very

intense all over the country in some places [blank] of frost drifts on some of the railways 20 feet deep grouse & black game feeding with the poultry in the farm yards. The most severe storm known for 20 to 75 years temp here 16o on morning of 7th 8 The temperature reached +5o or 27o of frost last night which is the lowest register here since Jan'y 1881 day sunny & not a cloud seen

15h Fred Byers

Wife went up with her brother Fred from Southsea to London to consult a specialist Dr Horsley who said Fred was not suffering from a tumour on the brain but from Extreme nervous Exhaustion & prescribed

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1895 Break up of Long Frost – premature note

24 Feb \$ Today a regular thaw set in with a light air from West thus putting an end to the long frost of 8 weeks and 2 days. One of the most severe frosts of a generation. During all this storm the barom stood about 30in varying but little all the time It begun steadily to fall two days ago and now reads 29.18 The Sun gradually melted alot of snow the last 3 or 4 days and now the thaw has regularly set in I hope for good. On [blank] however the temp went down more NE Snow & frost till final break upon Length or duration of storm [blank] weeks

Influenza again

25 A [illeg] Set in of this malady has again overtaken this country in London especially but in all parts generally. This week no less than 5 judges have been attacked and it seems stalking over the country again like a demon sparing no one. It appears to have been the result of this persistent NE wind we have been experiencing for the last 2 or 3 months. I have fortunately escaped so far but have been kept in room for several days with bad cold wh fortunately has taken a [illeg] turn, but with the usual accompaniment of low condition of [illeg] force and general debility

Mar 4h Wife returned home from Southsea away 4 weeks

6h Mrs Robt Ingleby's 90h birthday. So I went down abt 10am She had a great many letters & afterwards callers She was quite hearty & well but I heard she became tired later on

“Argon”

Saturday went to Settle lunched with Dr Watts the Science Master at the School After lunch went to the Laboratory at the Hostel[?] where Dr Watts shewed us the spectrum of the new constituent of the atmosphere discovered by Lord Rayleigh & Prof Ramsden & called “Argon” present Dr Watts, his son myself and my own son Dick

9 Mr Evans came to lecture on 9 & 11 returned 12

12 Noel & I go to Southport returned 20h

April 1 Slinger of Clapham putting down Kirb Stones round my 2 Graves in Austwick Bur Ground

Recd an enlargement in Bromide of Wm Metcalfe from L Chapman Lpool

\$ 7th Old Jack Foster died about noon today aged 89

8 Dr Metcalfe of Clapham died abt 8am after a painful illness 34

11 Swallows seen at Lawkland

11h Alfred Prowse came for Easter left 17h

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1895 March 9 & 11h [cutting]
Apl 11 Mr Prowse came
13 Prowse and I left home 10am walked over Moughton to Horton train late 40min to Ribblehead walked to Weathercote [illeg] [illeg] ab Wcote[?]. Saw Pots &c there walked over Inglebro via Meregill Hall. Went onto top of Inglebro down by Gaping Gill [illeg] [illeg] Trowgill home 7.30pm
15 Went all round [illeg] & Potscar & Smearside
16 Prowse & I went to Kirkby Lonsdale & Casterton Woods for the day [cutting]
Summer Weather
Sat Apl 27 Weather changes for much milder temperature Trees spring all at once into leaf and the days become quite warm On the 9h May the trees in the Ley were nearly out in full leaf, all this in from 10 to 14 days. On 9h Primroses in garden and bottom of wood fully out and quite a show. Gentionellas nearly all out and hot summer weather nice light rain on \$10 May. Fine hot Summer weather till 27 June when we had a thunder storm and rain severe thunderstorms 26, 27, 28 much damage 28 heavy rain & thunder
May 13 Hanley begins painting windows at A.H. do Town Head farm and all outside work at Beck House
do Put a North light window in Gun Room for the purpose of enlarging bromide prints.
May 19 Lilly of the valley best crop of flowers I have ever had, blooms fine and full in any quantity
21 Put up an electric bell from Smoke room to Kitchen passage battery 5/- Leeds pull 1/- do Live wire fathers old stock 45 years old did the fitting myself: bell works all right going rather [illeg] away but longer

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1895 Colwyn Bay
May 29 Wife, Self, Noel and Annie went to Colwyn Bay stayed at Tranville[?]
Promenade The Misses Jolly most comfortable
June 10 Prowse & I went from Llandudno to Menai Bridge & back
11 Wife and I went to Bettwys e coid for the day
14 Prowse & I went up Snowdon from Llanberris glorious day and views
15 We all returned home from Colwyn Bay
June 20 Mr Booth came to A.H
21 Booth & I went to Malham Tarn
21[?] Booth to Ribble I went over my old moor at Horton where I had not been since I gave up the shooting Decr 1880
24 Cossie & Ed Hodges came to A.H.
25 Booth left us
[cutting]
Erected 1894 passes Settle, Cross Streets Clapham Sedbergh &c
Mad Dog at Austwick
Wed 26 June a black & tan Collie dog was shot by Wm Pritchard this morning. It appears the dog was seen at Malham yesterday and made its appearance in Austwick today Noel said the boys saw the dog pass the School when they were out at 11am. It was followed up the lane past Austwick Hall was turned and found refuge in Whitfields Shippon at the back of our lane. It was here shot. It appears to have bitten

several dogs in the village and killed a cat. Information sent to Vet Surgn Metcalfe of Settle who came to Austwick in the afternoon Examined the dog and pronounced the case as one of bad rabies. All the other dogs are being kept up for examination
27 Seven dogs shot in H[illeg] today several[?] others in [illeg]
[cutting]

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[2 cuttings]

Sat 13 July 1895 At Austwick the Chairman said "I am sure you will all join me in according to Mr Morrison a hearty welcome to Austwick. He comes as an old friend having represented this division for 6 years. I am no politician in the street sense of the term but I do think we want a man of wide experience like Mr Morrison to represent the varied interests of this large constituency and I trust we shall return him to Parliament with a large majority.

At Clapham Ladies & gentlemen we have come here this evening to hear an address from Mr Walter Morrison the Unionist candidate for this Division. Mr Morrison is no stranger to Parliamentary work having represented this division faithfully for 6 years. He is a staunch patriot placing his country first and party after and is a sworn foe to any kind of disintegration of the Union of this great Empire. He is a thorough man of business and would his business capabilities unsparingly & ungrudgingly to further the Commercial and Agricultural interests of this division. Mr Morrison is a strong advocate for religious instruction in our schools, a matter which ought to affect you parents, for where is there a country I should like to know that prospers without religion. Now ladies and gentlemen I think these are a few of the many good reasons why we should endeavour to return Mr M to Westminster and I do hope that the result of the forthcoming election may be that he is returned by a thumping large majority.

July 26 Polling day 27 went to Skipton with F Mattinson by 9am train to hear declaration of poll declared 10am Morrison 4902 Farrer 4763 majority 139 adjourned to Conservative Club Skipton where Morrison had a warm reception. Some six of his supporters myself included accompanied him to Settle where he recd a warm greeting and spoke from the steps of the Conservative Club. A very close contest and an anxious one for right[?]

27 July Cossie & Hodges left AH 6 days here. Phillis[?] retd with them 5 weeks less 1 day

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1895 Gaping Gill Hole

Aug 1 Thursd Prof Martell a French savant successfully descended to the bottom of this pot today. He is the first man who has hitherto succeeded in doing so. It was a matter of very great disappointment to me not being able to be there as I was confined to bed with cold and internal pains and in the hands of Dr Wearing. I sent Dick over to Clapham next morning with a note for the Frenchman but he had flown I mean to try to get his full account wherever it is published

[cutting]

Frid 2 Porter run over by Express and killed at Clapham Station 4pm Sale of works for Leeds Infirmary at Austwick £43 raised Dick has his first gun license

6 Myself Richd & Smithson a school fellow of Dicks staying here walked to Alum Pot then to Gaping Ghyll & home

Bath House AH

Aug 7 -9 Removed flooring put over glazed tile wall in Bath House in A H Plantation and restored it to its original use It was altered May 1870 cistern taken out & sides tiled &c but was only used a couple of years or so probably 3 or 4 & was afterwards floored in & used as a potato cellar. I had it restored in 1895 for the boys

23 Fred Byer's wife came returned south 12 Spetr

24 I went to Oxton & spent week end with Prowse ret 27

28 Miss Akehurst governess left us after residence 1 year 10 months

Sep 4h Miss Helge Evensea came as governess from Arendal Norway

6 Bulk of Swallows gone 9h ordered new Eagle range for A.H.

10 Went to Richmond to see grammar school & Douglas Smith

., Bought a best make 20 bore & f[?] breechloader J Hartley 2d hand £[illeg] 0. 0.

15 \$ Yorkshire Ramblers young men from abt Leeds attempted to descend Gaping Gill Mr Calvert got down abt 200 feet & cd see the stones at the bottom

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- 1895 Sept 18 Dick retd Giggleswick School 19h Swallows all gone
21 Noel, I and Miss Evensen our Norwegian governess went up Inglebro being Noels first. Ascent went up by Allotment came down little Inglebro & Gaping Gill
21 Radcliffe took off pigeon cote from dog kennel up since abt 1872 Hot weather in September From Sept 9h to [blank] had glorious Indian Summer weather with high temp as shewn below. From Sept 9h to Oct 1 Bar steady at 29.74 or 30.31 sea level. Clear cloudless sky and perfect still air which wd account for this abnormal Summer weather
Sep 1=72; 2=77; 3=67; 9=78; 21=38/64; 22=40/66; 23=42/73; 24=52 ½ /77; 25 57 ½ / 74 ½ ; 26= 51/78; 27= 57/78; 28= 54/84; 29= 51/78 ½ ; 30= 49/72; Oct 1= 46/71; 2d 44 ½ / 49 On the night of 30 to morning of Oct 1 SIRRUS Clouds & clear sky afternoon dense cloud & showers. Wind and rain during the night Oct 2d mild showery day and comparatively cold Bar 28 – 67
Oct 2 A few swallow seen at A.H. this morning
9h Saw 12 or more over garden &c A.H.
New Kitchen range Austwick Hall
Sept 30 New Eagle cooking range arrived today. I find the range I put in last year was going to be costly one in coa; so have determined to sacrifice it and put in an Eagle range similar to that I put into Beck House in Spring. I ought to have done this instead of putting in the open range last year. One cannot always foresee events
Oct 3 Evans came took out old range and made ready for new one
4h Holmes came to [illeg] boiler. body of range in place by 10.30am All finished noon 5h Oct 2 ½ days
14 Several primroses and gentionellas and other spring flowers blooming
17 first frost 29o; 18 leaves coming off trees 22d=32o Top of Inglebro white with snow 23d 30/44 Sun sets 4.45; 24h = 23/36 ½ ; 25th 25/
26 Wife went to Treeton[?] Trinsley[?] & Birdwell – returned 11h Novr
30 Saw a pair of Goldfinches in Stoops[?] Lane [illeg] Station with [illeg] Lord
Nov 23 to 28 Noel & I at Southport Liverpool. Crosses[?] [illeg] &c
Decr 4 Go to Leeds assizes as Special juror returned 11th eight days away
11 John Bridson died I returned from Leeds Assizes cost 3. 8. 5
19 Closed Austwick School for Xmas. Probably Noels last day there he has been at

Austwick School 4 years 6 months entered June 1891

Xmas day Cold East wind and [illeg] blizzard month [illeg] 23 24 25 [illeg] [illeg]
Decr 6h Had my own armchair retd from Gillows releathered [illeg] [illeg] own Xmas
dinner Wed 25 Servants dinner 26 Children event 4. 15. 0 to Clapham [illeg] frid 27
Decr 31 Annies birthday celebrated this afternoon 4 to 7.30pm 16 children and 3
attendants came

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1896 11 Jany Group photo below

Jany 1 Temp at 9pm today was 78 ½ in screen foggy weather with high Barom for
some days 7=30,20; 10h 30,33+ 30,88 L.L. 28=30,82

3 Frid Evg John Ingleby came to supper only stayed till abt 9.30 Ball got up by C
Metcalf Chapman & Fisher; I have been tricked by my friends and intend to send in
my resignation as manager

6 Went to Leeds to see Teales grates and see Miss Eversen off by London train

16 Thursday Noel's first school from Home

Took my second son to Richmond Grammar School which has recently been taken by
Douglas R Smith one of the masters of Giggleswick. We went by way of Hawes &
North Allerton Mr Smith met us at the Station at Richmond 5.45 got all luggage to
School House then I went to the Unicorn Inn wrote a postcard to "Mother" and had
supper and returned to School House at 8pm. Had a long talk with Mr Smith & said
goodbye to Noel for the night Stayed at School House till 10.15

17 Breakfast 8.30 then took my camera and photographed the School House, the old
Friary Tower, the grammar school, and Trinity Church in the Square. Went over the
old Castle with a sergeant on guard. Got my valise from Hotel and abt 11.40 called at
the school and said goodbye to dear Noel, who was very brave when left. May
God bless and Keep the lad safe & well Returned via Thirsk Harrogate & Ilkley which
I found tedious. lef Richmond at 12 noon and did not reach Clapham till 7pm

22 Dick returns to Giggleswick School and I feel very lonely with my two boys away.
I think I miss Noel more than I did Richard because now I have no other boy to fall
back upon May God bless their School life and Keep them Safe from the Temptress
power and may they grow up useful members of Society.

Family Group Photograph

11 We all went to A Horner photographer Settle viz Wife Self 3 children. Got an
excellent photo group Cabinet Size. The first family group we have had. It will be
nice to give to both boys now they are both away at School and a nice one of them for
us when they are from us.

Southport

Feby 8 Wife & I went to Southport stayed at 60 Promenade Thorntons. On the 13
heard Prof Fleming give a lecture on Electricity Cambridge Hall

17 Heard Dallinger for first time, Spiders & their work Cambridge Hall

18 We returned home from Southport

29 Heard thrushes sing this evening. Rhodo Daluricum out in flower

New Teale Grate

Mar 3 Willie Pritchard begins preparing Hall fireplace for Teales man

4 Teales man comes today to set up the grates in Hall Dining room and drawing room.
He is a very intelligent deaf mute abt 35 He began the Hall fire place about 11.30
today and A H Nicholls is the mans name.

- 1896 March worked over time finishing this fireplace at 7pm on Thursday 5 March. 125 common bricks had to be used to fill up the flues and I had to send another load to Ingleton as the chimneys here are so wide
- f 6 Begun work at 6am in Dining room. I find A H Nicholls the workman a most intelligent man; and an excellent workman Hall – Wed 4h 11.30am to 7pm; Thursd 5h; 6am to 7pm finished Dining Room 6th – 6.30 to 7.40pm 7h Sat 6.30am to 7.15pm finished Drawing room 9h 9.30 to 11.30pm Rest of 9h in Smoke Room & 10th do 11th 7am 6.30pm 12th 6.30 6.15pm finished left frid 13h 8.15am
- 10 I cut away all plaster from thick wall going to Dining Room and found a small recess or closet
- 11 Willie Pritchard cleans it & paints joints. Jas Handly puts a moulded boarding all round. I have long wanted to bare this part of the old Castle wall and as the house was so upset by having 4 grates put in by Teale Company I was determined to have it done now so pasted up doors and donned suit of overalls shut myself up in passage & picked the lime off myself.
- 12 Nicholls finished setting grates today 6pm left 13h 8.15 Skipton
[cutting]
- My Astronomical Lecture
- Gave my Lecture and Lantern Exhib. to a party of children at the House of Mr Bateman at Clapham present Mr & Mrs Bateman & their children & governess, Mrs Lamb & her children from the vicarage also the children of Mr Pike the Curate Spoke for about 1 hour & 40 minutes
- March tu 24 Severe Thunderstorm – Enveloped in flame We had all been to Settle I left abt 4.20 to walk over High Rig & arrd at Lawkland about 5.40 stayed 6.30 tea and afterwards had two rubbers at whist whilst we were playing there was very loud thunder; it had been sultry all day. I left at 5 to 9pm the Storm had gone in the direction of Bentham, but vivid flashes and distant peals accompanied my walk home; yet I thought I was clear of the Storm. A dense black cloud had been coming up after me all the way home and had apparently passed me in the direction of Norber, but another

- 1896 Mar 24 cloud seemed to join it as I neared the village. I was close to the Post Office when I appeared to be enveloped in a flame of dazzling brightness at the same two terrific explosions seemed to take place above my head like two cannon shots I felt dazed and stunned and at first thought I had been struck blind; but in about 10 to 15 seconds I seemed to recover and never was mortal[?] more grateful than I when I found my sight was not gone. I stumbled about groping for the doors & at last found the handle and was let in by Annie Calverley who thought I had been struck by the last terrific flash (They all were terrified) She made me sit down and gave me a little brandy which brought me round. I stayed abt ½ an hour till the storm had passed & got home about 10m to 10. Annie Calverley told me next morning when I gave her a small bottle of my own brandy that when she saw me at first she thought I was blinded my eyes looked so very strange and glassy. I must have been very close to the Electric discharge which a most Merciful God directed to Escape me. The sensation was most appalling and I should not like to undergo another Such Experience.
- April 2 Prowse came; 4 went to Gaping Gill & top of Ingleboro 6 Feizor Stainforth

Cattrick Victoria Cave Attermire, Scaleber, Settle, home 15 m walk 7 Feizor Eldroth
P left 8h Apl

Noels first visit to Weathercote

Apl 13 Took Richard and Noel to Horton Station thence by train to Ribble head
walked to Hill Inn: had lunch then went to Weathercote arrived about 2pm had a chat
with Mrs Hodgson Mrs Metcalfe & her daughter I then took the boys down into the
cave which pleased Noel very much. Got a few roots of [illeg] so pretty planted by
my father in the Cave returned to Weathercote & had tea then took the boys to Gingle
pot & Hurtle pot & Churchyard to see dear old Willies grave We left 3.45 for
Ingleboro the top of which we reached at 5 to 5 Stopping at [illeg] gill on the way
partly rebuilt my cairn which I photographed with the boys Came down by Gaping
Gill Trowgill via Clapham came to Clapham and home a pleasant but rather long walk
All enjoyed it and ready for Supper at 8pm and home 7.35pm

14 Dagmar Evensen came to us from Norway today to stay here for a week prior to
going to the Farrers Ingleboro as governess. it is a relief to the wife as poor Helge
Evensen has been in bed since the 8 and has been attended daily by Dr Wearing. She
is suffering from catarrh of stomach and the Dr feared ulceration. She has not been
looking well for some weeks. Her appetite has been stronger than her digestive
powers

18 First swallow seen between Clapham & Austwick Took my two boys to
Morecambe for the day.

22 Heard Cuckoo first time Clapham fields Boys return to school

22 Richd returned to Giggleswick 23 Noel returns to Richmond

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1896 The Great 3 Hill Walk

April 20h My Son Richard Clapham and Wm Mattinson aged 17 ½ and 18 1/3
respectively started from Austwick Hall at 6.10am intending to walk over Inglebro,
Whernside and Pennyghent. They succeeded in accomplishing this in about 10 hours
40 minutes walking. They left my house at 6.10am and returned here 7.20 making 13
hours 10 minutes away. From this deduct half an hour on Whernside Examining an
old mine or cave; and about two hours in Ling Gill; having 10 hours 40 minutes for
the walk. Dick came in quite fresh.

Richmond, Darlington; Nothallerton

23 – 25 Took Noel back to Richmond. Left Settle 12 arrd Richmond 5.50 Spent evg
with Mr Smith 24 after breakfast walked to Easby Abbey then another [illeg]
overlooking town Said goodbye to dear Noel at the Grammar School 11.40 took train
12 to Darlington Spent afternoon with Mr Clark at 2 Elton Terrace then went to N
Allerton arrivg 6pm Stayed all night at Standard house with J Jefferson 25 looked
through Church & Cemetary took train at [blank] to Askrig, walked to Bainbridge
Saw Mr. Lancaster & had a long talk with him: walked from Bainbridge to Hawes had
a look round left Hawes 5.35 and walked home from Horton arriving 8pm

May 1-4 Went to Rochdale frid 1 returned Monday 4h stayed with Mr Booth

Late Thos Clapham Stakhouse grave Kirkby Malham

9 Wife left house for Birdwell to help Cossie to pack for Lerwick I went with her to
Hellfield walked from there by Otterburn Airton to Kirkby Malham a walk of 6 ½ or
7 miles photographed tablet in the church; light right into Camera on Grave Stone
walked through Airton to Bell Busk, 4 miles had a cup of tea with Mrs Nelson Jane
Moore & home to Clapham St walked home arrd 10 to 8pm 14 ½ miles

Gaping Gill Hole

\$ 10 May Mr Calvert & his party of 8 gentlemen made a most successful descent into Gaping Gill today. The preparations were elaborate and occupied the whole of previous day. I went up after dinner arriving on the scene about 2.30 to 3pm I found that five of the party were down. Mr Calvert and Mr Booth were down 6 to 7 hours and another gent had made plans. I took charge of the telephone communication for sometime Mr Calvert informed me that they intend more thorough examining this wonderful place. He says it is full of interest to the Explorer. He passed over Mr Mantels[?] boulder blocks which obstruct the two passages in the ground cavern, and proceeded nearly half a mile in the direction of Clapham, and said the other passage might

Did not leave the hole till 9.15pm & home 10.40pm [illeg] & tired

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1896 May 20 be explored with advantage. He spoke of the wonderful caverns & passages and contradicted many of Mons Martels statements. They went down by the side hole to the N of the main shaft which is straight and not inclined. I looked down this shaft & saw day light filled this hole from the main shaft wh. Martel went down. This side shaft is the proper way to go to the bottom as it is straight. Distance 360 feet. Mr Calvert was very cautious as to his statements and when asked said they did not care to publish their work till they had done more to complete it.

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| Calvert | } | 6 hours | Ellis |
| Gray [illeg] | } | went down | Kirk |
| Green | } | | 5 others |
| Booth | } | | [illeg] |
| Catteris[?] | } | 7 hours | 12 in all the party |

Spring

This has been the most delightful spring we have had for years. Fairly of rain in March & early apl no cold frost and an early spring. Strong winds about 6 & 7 May and hot sun afterwards. My dear old garden looked the perfection of beauty abt 7 & following days

18 Wife returned home with Constance & Edwd met them at Settle on their way to Glasgow. They leave Aberdeen on 20h for Lerwick

Janice Haythornthwaite

19 Died today at 2am at Beck House Barbon nr K Lonsdale another connecting link gone from us.

22 Wife, Annie, Self & Miss Evensen all go to Southport for fortnight

June 8 We all returned home in safety after 18 days glorious weather at Southport and found the old house looking delightful; garden lovely

[photo of memorial in K-M Church]

13 Mr Byers came. John Ingleby in Austwick Hall till 11pm left 31 July 7 weeks here

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1896 Larger Bath

June 18 Last year I took away flooring boards and had pipe lengthened outside but weather turned cold and did not use it. This summer being hot I put a temporary dam in stream and filled bath on 16th and today abt 4.30 had my first plunge in the bath since I covered it over in 1874. Miss Evensen our Norwegian governess had a swim in

it before dinner today. Have had a box tank made and intend to let it into the ground in the place where the stone trough was: it will last a good many years as I have pitched it well outside and inside with bitumen; this was done and the supply to bath made good, and covered over with a flag on

Friday 26 June 1896 had a bath 3.30pm

Old Home at Feizor

Gave notice to Fred Byles who had rented this old place for 8 or nine years as a Summer resort. He was not a satisfactory tenant as the place was made the dumping ground of Bradford and was not occupied in winter. I advertised it this Spring and after a great deal of correspondence I finally let it to Mr Varley I fitted it up thoroughly. Got the large room containing fathers office under drawn this making an excellent bedroom. Had the whole of the house papered and painted by Ed Handly Settle at a cost of [blank] for the whole work I also had the larger room in grandfathers old house under drawn for John Wilman. Also put a new roof onto the old farm house occupied by Jas Capstick (late J Brewer[?] and) making a total outlay on the ancient estate at Feizor

[cutting ref. Retirement of Supt Varley]

Died 7 July 1896 at Feizor of Brights disease having only been in receipt of his pension about a month. The 2d death at old house since Mother died in Nov 1837 Richard Maudsley died on [blank]

25 Haytime beginning generally Foster Metcalfe begun today. Splendid Summer on the whole best for years

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- 1896 July [cutting ref to death of Mr Ambrose Varley] died Tuesday 7 July
This is the second death at the Old Home at Feizor since my mother died in Nov 1837. The first was Richd Maudsly in he entered occupation when we left to come to Austwic 1847 or soon after
- 13 Mond Mrs Evensen came to us from Norway
 - 16 Mrs Evensen and her two daughters go to Southport for 2 weeks
 - Kirkbright = new steel sash cords drawing room S room & Kitchen
 - 17 Mr Lawrance came: took him Lancaster & Morecambe 18
 - 21 Mr Lawrance & I went through [illeg] grounds
 - 28 Mr Lawrance left us for home 11 days here
 - 29 Mr Watkins Lawkland Hall died 5 – 6 am aet 75 & Dick left Giggk School
 - 31 Mrs Byers leaves us for Southsea 7 weeks at Austwick Let Feizor on 27 to Mr Robert Hartly Oxford
- Aug 8 Self Dick Noel & his friend Smith Mrs Evensen Miss Eugen Cave Gap Gill, Inglebro
- 17 Maggie came
 - 21 Left home train 9 for Newcastle left Newcastle 12 midnight SS Prospero for Arendal[?] arrd Sunday 23d 8pm Stayed at Egestoe[?] 4 miles NW of Arendal with Mrs Evensen till Sat 5h Sept had a most pleasant stay in this charming locality in Norway. Crossed by SS Sterling arrd 6am Mond 7h Sept Newcastle & home 6pm
 - Sep 9 Heavy thunderstorms all over England much damage done weather here quite Summer like in temperature tho' overcast at times
 - 12 & 13 Heavy thunderstorms & downpour of rain weather broken tho still warm. Begin fires occasionally
 - 16 Maggie Byers left us here 4 weeks 2 days Came 17 Augst

22 Put into workshop a small forge cost c£ - c - i bot Morphet Set Wm Pritchd

24 Swallows gone Richards entry into Business

Sept 23 Richard returned from School on Wed 29 July and during the holidays I got him a post as articled pupil to Messr Chorley and Connon Architects Surveyors and Valuers 15 Park Row Leeds. It is a good firm and young Mr Chorley wrote very kindly about Richard. The next step was to find suitable lodgings. Mrs Lamb of Clapham gave us the address of two families. Mr Chorley recommended Lyddon Hall where a lot of students board, and Margt Jefferson happened to name the matter to Mr Hartley Dr Teales partner He at once recommended Mr F W Browne 5 Woodsley Terrace

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1896 My wife and I went to Leeds on Wed 23 Sept and interviewed all the people. The two families we thought would not do, and Lyddon Hall was full of students and as we thought temptation. So we selected Mr Browns house. He has had a private School and now has room for 3 boarders – 2 students and Dick. One of the young fellows is a nephew of Dr Teal. Mr Brown seems a decent man and we thought by far the most likely place for Dick

Sep 24 Wrote to Mr Brown today to say we wd accept his terms Yesterday we called at the office of Chorley & Connon The elders were away but young Mr Chorley spoke very nicely about Richard and said he would help him all he could

29 Went with Richard by 9.2 am train to Leeds. went first to Mr W F Brown 5 Woodsley Terrace where we deposited luggage & explained a few matters to Mr Brown & his housekeeper Mrs Scott who seems a very kind hearted superior woman. We next went to the offices of Chorley & Connon 15 Park Road where he and I signed articles of apprenticeship for 3 years. Met Mr Connon who seems very nice also Mr Arthur Chorley the lawyer Mr Chorley Sen had not returned home. Spent the rest of the day with Richd in Leeds. He saw me off to the train at 5.20. Poor boy he seemed rather down but was brave. I gave him some good advice and left for home 5.20. I wonder if I shall be spared to see Dear Dick through his apprenticeship and earning money for himself. I pay £c 0 0 to the firm [illeg] down on signing articles the rest during the 3 years

Oct 1st Ian[?] Isherwood came: left 6th

2 Old Tom Capstick died 5am at the age of 89y 10m

5 wild broken weather lightning thunder & hail today hills white & heavy rain

10 this kind of weather prevailing & this evening heavy thunder & lightning to the South

20 Floss & I had a very pleasant morning on my own bit of moor at Feizor. A glorious warm suny morning left home abt 9.30 and ret abt noon had 2 shots & got 2 grouse

21 Trafalgar day a poor swallow flying abt AH in the morning

London Richd Exam

Nov 9 – 14 Took Richd to London for his preliminary exam in Architecture

10 Took him to Examination Hall Victoria Embankment each day 10 & 11 from 10 to 1.30: 2.30-5.30 Got rooms at 92 Hereford Road Bayswater Mrs Norris where we were very comfortable. Remained in London 12 & 13 on 12 took Richd to the Tower St Pauls Westminster Abbey, Houses of Parliament Empire on 15 Zoological Gardens Madam Tusauds Nat Hist Museum S Kensington & meeting of RAS. Home on the 14h

- 1896 Giggleswick School fire
 Nov 11 School laboratory burnt down 2 -6 am valuable instruments and manuscripts belonging to Dr Watts burnt
 Beautiful bunch of primroses in flower above fernery AH
 Decr 15 Night. First real fall of snow on low ground
 Earthquake in England
 17 A rather unusually sharp shock took place at 5.34 This morning felt most severely abt Severn Valley but to Leeds & Liverpool London also Hereford Cathedral damaged
- 1897 Jan 4 Self Noel Annie Miss [illeg] went to Southport 60 Promde
 8 Wife followed us she had to nurse her Aunt at Home
 15 Annie ill with severe cold & congestion of left lung Dr Barron attended her 19 times £7. 7. 0
 Feb 5 We all returned safely home. Annie had good night Slept well
 12 Dick came home and hunted all day.
 13 Young Mr Clearly came by first train. After breakfast I took him to see Allen pot retd abt 2.20 He finished his work at Vicarage. In the evening I shewed him my X ray apparatus & its work and alot of Experiments. Stayed all night but left on Sunday morning
 18 Wife went Southsea to see Fred who is ill and not likely to get better. Brights disease and dropsy
 Snowdrops & aconites out for 2 or 3 weeks. Hepaticas, heath white rock coming into flower one or two primroses in gardens, heard first thrushes today
 25 Crocuses [illeg] Rhodo & pretty lilac[?] wild flower[?] [illeg] nearly fully out
 27 Went to Leeds to spend Sunday with my son Richard
 March 18 Wife returned from Southsea there 4 weeks
 Smoking
 About 1st March gave up my after breakfast pipe and about the 16h gave up my smoking at all in the day time but had one or two after supper I find it does not suit me now therefore I think it prudent to all but give it up.
 Papering & painting drawg & 3 main bedrooms
 29 Handlys 3 m3n began work this morning at the above finished finish Wed 7 April = 9 days
 Old oak pannells
 W 31 Kirkbright begins to put up in Hall old pannells of oak which were formerly in drawing room and removed to Dearbought [illeg] Town Head Farm & own attic. Put up that from Dearbought and own attic which together cover South Side of hall at Austwick Hall

- 1897 Ap 6 Kirkbright & J Handly put up the remainder of old oak over fire place in hall with the Clapham arms painted abt 1860 in centre
 7 Handleys (Settle) men finish papering & painting drawing room and 3 front bedrooms
 14 A Prowse came 15 Walked to Settle & High Rig home Richard and a friend Jim Whitfield came home from Leeds on 14h
 16 Prowse & I went to Clapham Ch this morning Did some X Ray work in evening

17 Wet 18 Self Prowse Richd Clapham Ch
 19 Prowse & I went to Alum Pot; in the evening did some radiography X ray
 20 Prowse retd to Liverpool
 21 Richd & his friend returned to Leeds
 Swallows
 20 Saw 2 swallows at Clapham Stat
 21 Henry Shepherd saw 2 at Town Head This has been and is a very late and cold
 Spring nothing but East winds which prevailed till about continued[?] to May 15h abt
 25 \$ Saw a fine full fledged thrush on the lawn close to large rhodo. The brds could
 nearly fly
 28 Cuckoo for first time at AH.
 Noel London & Southsea
 8 Noel went to London Spent 2 weeks with a school mate Smith & then went to
 Southsea for 10 days and
 28 returned home on the 28th
 May 1 I & Noel, Anne & Miss Eversen went to Allum pot
 22 Wife & I went to Southport for weekend returning tues 25 May
 27 Thunder 28 heavy thunder & rain
 29 thunder & rain, land growing well
 14 Henry goes to Leeds Influenza & bronchitis confirmed – a month before he could
 even come up to the house no regular work till June
 1st was [illeg] in a strong SE increasing to ½ a gale 10 to 11am heavy thunder &
 downpour of rain
 2 Poenies & Laburnums coming out
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June 6 Thorns in bank; rhodos do peonies, laburnums poppies &c all nearly full out
 garden looking its best
 9 went to Peel via Douglas to see for holiday rooms; did not much like the place and
 returned home on the 11h
 Dr Robson
 12 Had not been well for some months and was afraid of some internal
 disarrangement. Wife would have me consult a Specialist: at last consented to do so
 went to Leeds today and had a good overhauling by Dr Robson the best authority in
 Leeds for internal complaints. Verdict no organic disease whatsoever, liver out of
 order and general lowering of system partly result of influenza; but no growth or
 tumour he said he would write to Dr Wearing of Clapham giving him advice as to my
 treatment. This is most satisfactory to myself & wife to know nothing serious is
 taking place. The complaint is as I always thought the result of worry and anxiety.
 Austwick School affair & Dick who does not settle to work in a way, but I fear for his
 future companionship. had a talk with Mr Chorley & Mr Brown & hope my fears are
 unfounded. The lad has given me no real cause for fear only a little carelessness in
 want of perseverance and grit. I Pray God may guide him & lead him to think right.
 June 16 Summer
 The first week of June was the advent of real Summer and a heat wave after the rain
 made vegetation progress at a rapid rate in fact one could almost see the leaves of the
 trees and the grass grow. The latter is well set with rich bottom grass and offers to be
 a heavy crop. Some of the temperatures for May & June are given below

May 18th 42 min – 58 max; 19h 39/ 60 ½ ; 20h 37 ½ / 63; 21st 43/? June 4th ?/ 73; 5h 53/ 75; 6h 52/?; 7h 47/54; 12 ?/ 76 ½ 13h 58/ 79; 14h 54/?; 15 45/? ; 16h 44/47 on the 16 barom fell early morning & last night 7/10 and at 3am blowing fresh which ended in gale and heavy rain all day.

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Austwick Hall Jubilee Day 1847 – 1897

June 16h Note Ordered today of Kirkbright a 36 foot pole for a flagstaff in honour of this my 50 Jubilee at AH

Today is a noted one in the annals of Austwick Hall and the Clapham Family; for on 16th June 1847 my father left the old home at Feizor, and came to live at Austwick Hall. Since when both he and I have made great alterations, additions and improvements to the Hall and surroundings, as well as the Estate. Yesterday evening I put up a “rainbow” of flags on the flagstaff on centre chimney, intending to run up the “house” flag (with my own crest in the flag this morning, but the gale which began abt 3am put an end to this, and fortunately the cord of the “rainbow” broke, or the flagstaff might be carried away

[drawing]

I did not get to the flags on the roof till about 7pm when the gale was more abated. If I have not had a fine day for a flag display, on our 50th anniversary here, I have great cause to thank the “Great Giver of All” for all his Mercy to me during my sojourn in the dear old Home. It is rather singular coming as it does within 4 days of the Queens Diamond Jubilee on Sunday next the 20th inst. TR Clapham

7pm flags were a good bit battered and it was unfortunate that I put them up. Fortunately, though I flew the house flag a bit in the afternoon of the 15th, I did not let it remain out all night. On the evening of the 16th ordered of Kirkbright a 36 to 40 foot pole for the lawn. I am going to have no more going out the top of the house. I mean it to stand where [illeg] [illeg] was from 1865 to 1879 Next day 17th paper was full of damage by Sea and land: the gale was hurricane force on the West Coast. 5 feet of snow in Scotland

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1897 \$unday 20 June Jubilee Sunday

Today Her Majesty Queen Victoria completes her 60h year of her reign on the throne of Great Britain & Ireland the longest reign of any European Sovereign. First thing this morning I ran up my fine Union Jack on the flagstaff on the house. I went to Clapham Church with my daughter Annie and her Norwegian governess Helge Evensen, where there were special services. The Vicar Mr Lamb preached an excellent sermon from 31 Chap Proverbs 29 verse “Many honourable women & Dagmar Evensen came home with us and spent the da. Then all went to a flower[?] service at Austwick Ch in the afternoon. I stayed in and went to Clapham Ch in the evg – day fair but overcast. My white Ensign was flying all day on Clapham Ch tower where it flew 10 years ago on the Queens 50th Jubilee.

21 Went to Settle 11.15 retd 12.25 Richd came from Leeds for 2 days holiday. After dinner, as it was fine I ran up the House flag on the flag staf on the house, as the wife wished to see it again. At 4pm I distributed my medals oranges and 3d pieces to 87 children in the School. I had not been in the School for 18 months and found it hard work to explain why there was a break in my 35 years record. I gave them a bit of

advice as to honourable straight forward, open conduct. Mr Fisher the master proposed three cheers, which were heartily given by the children I then left the School, with a sad heart. Gave 87 Medals 87 three pence pieces and 87 oranges to School children.

Mrs Robt Ingleby the oldest inhabitant died today Mony 21 6.20pm Mrs White sent up for my wife who arrived just as she passed away. She had been there 2 nights & days I saw her last on Sat night

Queens day in London

22 The day was fine here; and at 2pm when Her majesty was timed to leave Buckingham Palace I flew the large Union Jack on my house flagstaff: flew it till 6pm. After Supper I and my wife went to Brunton Road to see the fire on Inglebro, which was lit at 10pm. The effect was very fine against a clear golden sky but not so grand or large as the fire in 1887. We did not get home till nearly 12pm. Richd and a friend, and Miss Eversen went with Mr & Miss Mattinson to the top of Inglebro, where about 100 people had assembled. They sang the National Anthem, fired 6 rockets and then lit the fire. Miss Evensen got home abt 1.30am the boys not till 5am as they stayed on the top to see the Sun rise. Dick left 9.2 Leeds

July 29 Madge Maynard came

30 Miss [illeg] came from St Bees as temp governess in place of Miss Eversen who [illeg] to Norway on 16 July

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1897 Whitby

June 25 Self wife Annie and Miss Evensen governess went to Whitby stayed at 1 Crescent Terrace Mrs Frankland Spent a very pleasant time and retd home 13 July, away 19 days went away day before diamond Jubilee at Austwick

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one act 700 sat down to tea ?? one act

[cutting]

see School Note book for [illeg]

For fuller account see School Note book

These two newspaper cuttings speak for themselves. The first was intended as a cut, or was written by a person who was not there. The 2d is my own correction

As we were at Whitby we were all glad to be clear of Austwick Jubilee doings Another long account in Herald by vicar? Studiously omitting my name & childrens present too.

July 16 Miss Eversen & her sister return home to Norway. Miss Eversen has been with us 1 year & 10 months and has not been home since she came into my service. She has well earned her holiday 7 weeks

Flagstaff at AH

20 July Put up a flagstaff on the site of the mast of 1865 in honour of Jubilee year. This is a single pole 39ft 3in long. The stays are those used on the mast of 1865. Pole & Carpenter & ironwork total My daughter Annie Catherine 9 ½ y ran up the first flag on 20th July 97

[cutting]

Haytime June [? July] 23 – 29

Weather had been broken here up to Frid 9 July when fine weather set in and nearly all hay got in by the 19h. On 20 rain fell all day but cleared next day

July 15h = 80 ½ ; 16th = 77 ½ ; 17th = 69 ; 18th = 80 ; 19th – 76 ; 20h – 58 rain; 24h all

hay housed

23 Went to Leeds and Askern returned Leeds for the night at 5 Woodsly Terrace 24h Richd left home 9am Met him 10.20 at Leeds; an important interview at 15 Park Road. Spent day in Leeds and home 7.40pm this has been an important visit and I pray God all may be well yet.

21st – 650; 30 = 75; 31 – 75; Aug 1 77; 2d = 820 ; 3d = 81; 4h = 81 ; 5 – 81 ½

Aug 1 John Ingleby last day at his old home: left alone with Mrs White tomorrow he goes to Nook till over Saley on 5th Mrs White to Pant Head a sad ending; how sad for him to think this is his last night at his old home

5 Sales begin at Mrs Roberts violent thunderstorm 11 ½ am and again 7 & 8 pm in fact all afternoon one of the most violent for some time John Ingleby came up to See [illeg] here as also he did last J. Ingleby [in margin]

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night he looks fearfully [illeg] run down

July 6h Second day of Sale I bought corner cupboard which originally came from the Kings of Austwick Hall 1. 6. 0 the ink stand which was always used in little room Some books glass &c amounting to 9. t. r another thunderstorm in the afternoon

Arthur Ingleby & his daughter came to see X ray work & in the Evng Henry Lawrance came to see us from Richmond

[cutting]

Aug 11 John Ingleby up from Scarbro and went to reside at Crummack left there see 14 Nov 1898

13 Took my family to Settle for a full plate group in honour of my 60h year and Jubilee of 50 years at Austwick Hall

Mouses Nest Photo

Aug 26h Recd a crossed Postal Order 10/6 quite unexpectedly from Newnes Ld in payment of copyright for the photo of Mouses nest I sent for Strand Mag

Sept 1st Wife has an attack of pleurisy temp 102.4 wired Dr Wearing after breakfast

2 Slight improvement: 2d Sep temp 3.30pm = 103.5; ; 6.30pm 103.6 2d 8pm 103.9 4h Nurse Markham came from Leeds 5 better temp normal 5 & 6 all going on well

2d Sept Heard from Sothsea that Fred had given up his school

29 Aug Cossie delivd of a son 3am

[cutting]

Wet August From 10th Aug to 7 Sept we had almost incessant rain. During Sept we had some very fine bright weather

Burst Bomb Shell

Sept 16h Recd from Strand Mag 10/6 for my photo & description of bomb burst by ice

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1897 Sept 20 Swallows left today

Oct 7 Wife & I went to Giggleswick at 12.30pm to lunch at the Grammar School and after to the laying of the foundation stone by the Duke of Devonshire of the New Jubilee Memorial Chapel Given to the Giggleswick Grammar School by Mr Morrison The Bishop of Ripon made an excellent speech at the stone laying as well as at the luncheon. It was a great treat to hear some of the fine intellect got home 6.30

11 8 swallows here today and a few on morning of 12

12 first frost 31 ½ o; 13 = 29o

16 went to Settle to confer with my Solicitor about important changes to my will of Sep 1893

21 Janet Hodges left came 29 September

19 Geo & Wm Hick came 17h spent ev[en]ing also on tues 19

22 Harry Chorley came

My 60th Birthday

23 Oct Ran up my "Lion" House flag at 8am. Recd congratulations from my dear wife and daughter Annie, also a book from the former and a bible book mark from the latter. I gave my wife a pair of Russia leather gloves and a pair of Kid gloves to Miss Eversen. Abt 10am Chorley & I went for a walk, via Wood End, Jop Ridding, In Moor, to top of Pot Scar; thence across to Celtic wall, then to the top of Buccaw Brow to shew Chorley the Craven fault down by Cave Hole & thence straight across fields to Lawkland Hall, through which we were shewn by Margaret Watkins; arrd home 1.40 Had a very kind letter from Janet Hodges, also from Prowse signed by himself, wife & two daughter. In the afternoon Chorley & I went out Norber to see the boulders. Took the House flag down abt 10am as it was blowing rather hard, and at 5.15 run up the smaller Union Jack spent a very pleasant birthday. I had a nice

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1897 card from our old house maid Alice Orr who never forgets my birthday also in the evening a little letter from Noel. During the day had a long talk with Chorley about Richd and in the evening the wife had a long confab with him abt Rd

Autumn: Indian Summer

Oct 16h to 6Nov 3 weeks the weather has been delightfully fine & warm quite like the Canadian Indians Summer & is putting of[f] winter grandly, see below 3 weeks fine weather 28h temp 63 ½ in shade

Walks in Plantation

25 Began to cut the walks in the Home Plantation. Cut them all about 9 feet wide: finished this stiff job on 2d Nov with Robt Shepherd Henry gone to Morecambe

Richard at Leeds

30 Wife went to spend the week end at Leeds wit Richard to have a talk with him about his future He seems to have got into a morbid unsettled frame of mind and ungrateful for all I have done for him. He now wants to leave Messrs Chorley as an architect and means farming which I tell him will mean the Colonies and hardwork and practically emancipation. I have had to make very important alterations in my will. So far as he is concerned owing to his unwillingness to work. He will find out some day the opportunities he has thrown away and that he cannot outwit his father. All this has been a great trouble to me.

28h = 40/ 63 ½ ; 30th 40/ 60 Nov 1 44/

Nov 3d Robt Kitchen trims Ley walk to 4 feet wide for top dressing of crushed granite
5 Rosa Lawrance came returned 22

14\$ Quite a lot of roses out in garden. Gloire de Dijon near Kitchen full one or two bushes of Rhodo Daluricum out a great many gentionellas stock and other flowers never saw the garden so gay at this time

15 gale at night strong NE and 2o of frost which put an end to the flowers and next day slight snow

19 Mrs James Metcalfe died Weathercote buried on 23

24 – 25 Trimmed all trees in Whitbeck 26 first load of top dressing from Foredale quarry on Ley walk 3/- ton

Ley walk Decr 15 Finished this today cost 12 load limestone 1. 10. 0 carting 2. 2. 0 +
£3. 12. 0

Went to Liverpool 14 heard Paul Lange [?] all night Prowse Oxton ret home 15

Pedigree

Oct 4 Recd 80 copies of Clapham Pedigree with arms from Lambert printer Settle. I
compiled this from registers copied from Giggleswick Church & Clapham Church
[illeg] by John Foster Esq of Douk Ghyll Horton in Ribblesdale and late Lawkland
Hall and supplied to me 3 May 1884

For 80 copies 12/- or rate 15/- per 100 or 1/6 for 10 The thing is well got up & well
printed. Arms copied from my [illeg] plate wh was engraved by Pugh Bros Great
Turnstile Lincolns Inn London

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1898 Fred Byers died Decr 22 Interred 24 Decr at Southsea

The new Year came in very mild. We have had a very mild wet winter so far. A bit of
sharp frost 3 days before Xmas and skating on beautiful black ice on Xmas afternoon
but in two days all was over & warm muggy weather & heavy rains

Jany 7 We all went to Southport to 7 Portland Street. Wife left us to go to Southsea on
Tuesday the 11h and on Thursday 13 Noel returned to School, leaving Annie and I
and Miss Eversen. Wife did not return for nearly 3 weeks viz 29h and on Friday 4 Feb
we all returned home to Austwick

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Feb 18h Wife went to Ripon & Northallerton retd

Old Peel Wall at Austwick Hall

24 Got W. Pritchard to break a piece off the flag covering the opening near dining
room as it sounded hollow above: found nothing but solid masonry. Cemented up
again

March 15h Wm Pritchard begun work replastering Kitchen Austwick Hall

16 Edwd Handley begins redoing up dining room Austwick Hall all old paint taken
off panels repd covd & all repainted

15 Jonquills primroses, dog tooth violets out also hepaticas

Cloud of Starlings

21 Went today to Settle to see the remarkable congregation of Starlings which every
evening for nearly a fortnight have assembled for roost in wood near Anley about 6
little troops came in from all points of the compass like companies forming a regiment
from 6 or 7 to as many as 100 in each. These all joined the army these additions
numbering several hundreds about 6.30pm nearly all had mustered the great throng
which was piruetting in most graceful curves and motions over and about the fields
surrounding the wood. Their numbers now wd amount to very many thousands. The
air was black with birds and as they turned in their flight the sound of their wings was
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1898 that of a mighty rushing wind. Then this vast host settled in the trees which seemed
black with the bodies of birds. When they (Mar 21) rose again into the air again which
they did some two or three times before settling down finally, the sound was like a
huge wave of the sea breaking upon a rock bound coast. Finally about 6.50 they all

settled down for good and the sound of their voices resembled most the escape of steam from a locomotive. It was a most interesting sight and one I would not have missed. When all on the wing they reminded me most of some 20 or 30 hives of bees all swarming together. The air was simply black and I should say there must have been at least 100,000 birds probably twice that number.

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Gale & Snowstorm

24, 25-26 to 27 A heavy NE gale and snowstorm much damage round the coast as well as inland

Ap 2 – 5 Wife & I went to Southport

6 Alfd Prowse comes for Easter

Ap 5 Wm Pritchard finishes work at Austwick Hall Kitchen pantry &

6 Prowse comes as usual for Easter holidays to 12h Noel & Rich home

7th Noel 3 weeks

7 Showery Prowse & I walked twice to Clapham

8 G. Friday P & I went to Clapham Ch after dinner P & I walked to Feizor to Celtic wall back over pot scar Wharfe Gill home

9 Sat Wet morning. After dinner Prowse & I walked to Crummack to see J Ingleby then over Selside road down Clapham bottoms via cave & grounds to Clapham & back by fields

10 all went to Clapham Church Self Richd & P stayed commun Wet in afternoon stayed in

11 Mond P & I walked [illeg] Wharfe to Roman Camp near Little Stainforth Foss w[?] had lunch then down to Settle & home by main road. Showery 12th P left by 12.30 Saw him [illeg]

13 Richd returned to his work at Leeds by 8am train Handley finished Dining room Dining Room painted

18 Handleys man finished Dining room = 4 weeks 5 days

19 I and Noel and his friend walked over Inglebro to Weathercote walked Ingleton home by train

First Swallow Saw it at Weathercote

21 Mrs Watkins finishes removal to Austwick 2 May Self & wife over Lawkd Hall for last time

25 Cook Maggie Lambert taken suddenly ill drove her home with housemaid child born within a quarter of an hour of her arrival home a narrow[?] [illeg] form The 2d case in my 42 years housekeeping

May 2 Self & wife went over Lawkland Hall with Mrs Watkins for last time

Our 21st anniversary of marriage

9 Twenty one years today since our marriage. Sarah had several congratulatory letters. Left home 11.11 for Foredale & Helwith moss then walked via Stainforth to Settle Old [illeg] business & went to see Mr Morrisons New Chapel at Giggleswick came back via Buccaw Brow & Brunton road home abt 10m to 5pm

[inserted John Ingleby

1897 Aug 2 = went to Nook over Sales[?]

„ 11 = ret from Scarbro went to live at Crummack

1898 Nov 14 = JI went to live at Clapham Mrs Harrisons

on other side Statement of Accounts of Austwick Vicarage Enlargement Fund

[added by TRC

Some Clergymen ought by law to be sent to a public infant chool to learn manners Xmas 1897 Courtney wrote me a stupid letter In my reply I reminded him that he had

not so much as thanked me for the 208 loads of stone given by me for his building. He replied I am very sorry but it shall be duly acknowledged in my public statement of account

is it? no more parsons for me at this price

Mr Courtney promised to acknowledge this in his report!!

208 cart loads or £10 worth of stone given by TR Clapham ignored in this “[illeg] sap”
Feb 1899 gave Arthur Ingleby 22 loads of stone for his farm. So far May 9 & not even a word of thanks. So much for parson’s honour

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1898 The Prince of Wales at Southport

May 17 I went to Southport arrd 12.3 Called upon the Baxendells in the evening

18 Saw the Prince of Wales review the Lancashire Hussars commanded by Lord Gerrard. Saw the Prince & staff very well from the railings near the switch back. Saw him plant a Sycam Chestnut tree in the gardens opposite to the Town Hall. Returned home Thursday 19 May

27 Self, wife, Annie & Miss Eversen went to Arnside for a fortnight retuned 11 May [June]. First week wet & cold 2 fine & hot got some nice excursions. One day went near Ulverston to foot of Windermere & up the lake to Ambleside had lunch & came down lake to Bowness and Windermere & back by Kendall. Other days went to Dalham Tower[?] Milnthorpe, and Levens Hall gardens &c ret home Sat 11 June

June 15 Mrs Byers came from Southsea – left Thursday 4 August = 7 weeks 1 day went to Leeds with her

May & June Painted garden rails (iron) and all doors about AH dark Stone with Ochre
18 went to Levens Hall and heard admiral[?] Lord Chas Berresford on our foreign policy and our navy Excellent address

23 Finished painting all gates doors railings & Bath & top Summer house at and around Austwick Hall

27 Mrs Jefferson came for a week. She & Mrs Byers have old times[?] [illeg]

28 Went to Leeds to pay Mr Chorley 2 enstalment on Richd Instructions[?] and saw the Elder Chorley with whom I had a long talk abt Richard – he was very nice about the matter.

29 Hay time generally commenced about Austwick Foster Metcalfe my tenant began
28 good crops but dark weather

July Fine Summer weather for two months

29 Cossie and Hodges and family arrive

12 Mrs Eversen left for Crief with Helga who returns here 10 & Mrs E to Norway

4 Went with Mrs Byers to Leeds & saw her off by London train.

Also Rich see letters about him. Matters are still under a cloud which I hope Providence will dispel. All this is in the correspondence packet

The Great 3 Hill Walk

Aug 25 Thursd My eldest son Richd left Austwick Hall at noon today clear & hot was on Pennyghent 1.35 Ribblehead 4.0pm Top of Whernside 5.15pm Hill Inn 5.50 Top of Inglebro 6.45 Home 8.15 appeared fresh and not at all tired. This is the 2d time he has done the 3 hills

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The First Flower Show at Austwick Sat Aug 27h 1898

This is a local society Clapham and Austwick Horticult Society to be held alternatively at Clapham and Austwick. Our first attempt was a very good show but the day was so very wet & stopped many from coming, but the entries were the best hitherto. The tent also had to be cut down owing to a dog show at Ingleton which made the exhibits crowded.

[cutting]

[inserted: not by myself & contained hot house flowers Mrs Claphams was the only boquet there really the 2 others contained other than garden flowers

1898 Sept 5 Monday. A poor old wandering schoolmaster found dead in the hall close to Grey Stoneber barn below X Streets: verdict apoplexy had beend dead 2 days. I attended the funeral of the old man at Austwick: the only mourner there. Only the vicar, sexton, carpenter & his 2 men. No name on coffin as none could be found upon him. He had been run over by a bicycle on 3d

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1898 Cementing back of Austwick. See Ledger

Aug 29 Mond Pritchard & Robt Kitchen begin picking of plaster finish frid 2 Sep

Sept 6 Begin cementing back of house finish 14h

15 Pritchard & Kitchen begun painting front & W of AH Carsons paint finish 1st coat

22d Sept finished 2d coat 28 Sept Paint & oil £2. 3. 0 Labour £5. 10. 0 cart 1/6 = £17.

14. 7 Handly painting windows

21 SF went to Oxton to see Janet Hodges returned

19 Had my first painful experience during my 42 years of house keeping of having to search the boxes of a servant before her leaving my service on account of accusation by a fellow servant of having stolen some of her property

Sept 27 Austwick Hall, Record painting year

Wm Pritchard & Robt Kitchen finished the two caots of Carsons paint on the outside of AH today. The house is now in good horough repair both outside and inside havinh spent the sum of [blank] over it this year viz Kitchen replastered Dining room & passages on ground floor painted Back of house cemented Two coats of Carsons paint outside Handly paints some doors oak total [blank] It ought to want no more doing to it in my time every door, gate, railings about the premises was painted by me. Handly painted inside & Wm Pritchard & Robt Kitchen apinted outside Kitchen painted vinery and two greenhouses

Balloon near Austwick

Oct 3d 5.30pm After we had finished tea and were going to play croquet on the lawn I perceived a balloon with 2 passengers coming in the direction of the Ribble. There was very little wind and the balloon was sailing very slowly towards Moughton when it gradually lowered and came down just above Far End House Annie Miss Eversen & myself hurried off to the spot and got there before the balloon was emptied of gas It proved tobe the property of Reuben Bramhall of Bradford who had with him a friend. They had left Bradford abt 3pm intending to go to Cumberland but wind failing they landed on the slope of Moughton. Capacity of balloon 35000 cubic feet. The friend informed me they had attained an altitude of 4500 feet. This is quite a novel sight for Austwickians a few of whom had found their way to the site of the descent

Oct 1st last at home Last swallows Oct 6 saw 3 or 4 at Flascow Bridge End of record Summer & Autumn

Friday 14 Oct The fine Autumn weather broke today with east wind which continued with rain showers till Mond 17 when it blew a hard NE Gale with rain. The max

temperatures have been abnormally high for Oct (see Symons rainfall) Oct 3 max 71o; 4h = 65o; 5h = 63o; 6 = 59; 9 = 60o &c

Oct 22 Wife & Self went for weekend to Harry Chorley Burley ret Mon 24 Saw a similar large flock of Starlings to that at Anley in Spring thousands of birds

Nov 1st Almost a warm summer day my garden full of flowers even the dahlias quite fresh not a touch of frost yet [illeg] this morning 35o Nov 2d strong SW gale all day torrents of rain

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1898 Nov 1 Clapham Reading Room
[cutting]

Nov 19 Lancr Guardian
[cutting]
[cutting]

2 but warm

4 Exhibited lantern slides for a lecture in School; first time I have been in the school for any kind of work since 6 Jany 1896 = 2 years 10 months I went to save a clergyman the trouble of bringing his oil lantern

9 Annie & Miss Evensen photographed at Settle by A Horner as Miss Evensen leaves us in Decemb after 3 years 3 months faithfull service I gave her a small but good silver watch on the 16h

14 John Ingleby went to live at Clapham. Counted 33 var flowers in my garden this morning

19 Sat first frost this season min 31 gathered 7 very good roses went to Richmond to see Noel till Monday

22 sharp frost min 25 ½ o, 23 Heavy snowstorm all over blown barom settled over an inch bet 11pm 33 & 10am 23 minimum temp 24 ½

16 new street lamps lighted first time at Austwick a fraud[?]

26 Gave an order for brass plate 123 letters to J Johnson Trinity St Leeds 3. 5. 0.

27\$ Richd Philip & Gordon Watkins & W Mallinson & 2 dogs spent aft rabbiting in Home Plant[ation]

30 Recd from Horner photo of Annie and Miss Evensen

Decr 11 \$ Annie & I Miss Evensen Dick at Clapham Ch. Miss Evensens last time Very mild weather: heavy SW gales for two or 3 weeks, at intervals

16h Miss Helge Evensen left us as governess after a faithful service of 3 years and 4 months we all miss her very much she was so bright and good in every way poor Annie was almost unconsoleable. She goes to Norway her home for 3 weeks then to Konisburg[?]

Weather This has been an abnormally mild winter the warmest Xmas for 40 years See Simons Rainfall book in which are my own notes

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1899 Jany 9 Set Robt Kitchen to cut out shooting tracks in Home Plantation thin some Spruce below top hut and thin Long Tram and new close Plantations

17 marked new close & Long Tram plant for R Kitchen to thin out

22o min then snow rain wind floods. This has been a very wet mild winter with one or two days frost which soon disappeared to be replaced by wind and rain

22 The 10th anniversary of dear Annies burial

Wet Winter

22d This mild weather continues with gales and floods. The land has been perfectly

saturated with water. Thunder this morning whilst we were in Church
Snowdrops just forming flower half grown

Annie

Our little girl Annie now eleven years old is growing a fine rollicking girl. She likes her lessons & fond of sewing and house work. She has taken a fancy to Rifle drill which we have every day and at night when she is in bed I go to see her when we have alot of fun She likes going into the Plantation with me when I am shooting When she, and my old gardner Sheperd, who has been with me nearly thirty years form my band of two halves. The young life is bright & the old heart is glad & [illeg] 24 Fine bright days Dagmar Evensen came to us before going to Thurland Castle John Ingleby came to supper

28 Had a days skating Clapham Annie & Fred[?] Har[illeg]

Feb 6 Self and wife go Southport returned home 21st

10 Heard Mr Walshs[?] lecture on Ritualism at [illeg]

March 11 Heard a capital lecture on wireless Telegraphy A Thornton at Grammar School Giggleswick 8.15 to 10.5 Took Mr Fisher with me 12, 13, 14 In bed with a bad influenza cold did not call in Dr

Strange March weather

15th = 58o 16h = 64o; 20 = 25/40; 21 = 18o; 23 = 23/40; 24 = 18/43 heavy fall of snow in night and next day 25; 25 = 27

29 Prowse came 30 Went to Hell Pot 31 Clapham Ch & lantern lecture Clapham School left Tues 4 April

Three Hill Walk

April 1st My son Richard walked the 3 hills Pennyghent Wherside and Inglebro left Austwick Hall 12.30 noon got back 6.37 (6 hours 7 min walk) The last occasion was 25 Aug 1898 Dick did the 3 hills in 8 hours 15 minutes

7 1.30pm heavy thunder storm but short accompd with hail

8 Sat went to Liverpool for weekend with Prowse. On 10th heard K[illeg] at Southport on Ritualism retd home the 11th

M[illeg] Brass 18in x 12 in 123 wt old Eng i. g. o ordered 29 Nov 1898 Recd 4 March 1899 Johnson Leeds

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1899 Apl 18 Tina Nisbet came left 29h (first since Oct 1893)

21 First swallow at AH seen by Henry 2 at Feizor by wife and Miss Nisbet

Late Spring

April has been a cold month with variable Sun. Snow sleet raind and a preponderance of East wind till

Ingleborough. Annies first ascent

27 Took Noel and Annie for a walk out Inglebro started 10.10 returned home about 4.30pm. Went up Clapdale Lane to Allotment wall. Had lunch at the "Hotel" at the foot of Swine tail; then mounted the top. Shewed Annie Roman Camp and walked all round top. We then descended to the S. of Ark and went down to the second ledge and all round the top of the Cliffs above Foals Foot found purple saxifrage. I had never been round this rugged and somewhat dangerous face of the old hill and we were all delighted with this part of our ramble. Came down by Gaping Gill & Trow Gill Home. Annies first ascent She came in very fresh, but shewed signs of fatigue after tea & went to bed

Governess

May 3 Margarite Lehmann came as Governess to my daughter Annie from [illeg] Hanover

Cold Spring & wet till

May 26 Wife went to Edinbro for ten days. I took Annie & Frn Lehman to Morecambe whilst servants were having holidays. Weather look up that day & we had uninterrupted sunshine for the fortnight we were there and after arriving home till June 20 rain 2 June went to Windermere ret home 9h June

June 3d ?/80; 10h 42/76; 11 46/81; 12 47/78; 13 = 52/64; 14 37/70; 15 39/75; 16 = 44/79; 17 45/ 77; 18h 52/65; 19 43/64; 20 48/

Clapham Church alteration not restoration

June 4h Workmen began to pull out all the pews in Clapham Ch and take down Farrers pew. This a great mistake they are going to spend as much money over the ugly old building as would build a new body. I hear Farrers are the objectors. The railway & [illeg] over again. It is a sad mistake however. Last week in June showery & heavy thunderstorms in the south

July 7 Opened today the new Post Office Austwick

Thunderstorm

12 Mond, Tues, & Wed the 10, 11 & 12 July were hot sultry and showery much to the detriment of the haymakers who had been waiting to lead after Sunday. This culminated today abt 11.30 when thunder began to roll up from SSW and abt 11.45 we were enveloped in one of the wildest storms I have known in England; the one on 5 July 1881 excepted. For nearly an hour the lightning was incessant playing now from cloud to cloud, then from cloud to Earth when some extremely fine electrical displays were witnessed. The peals of thunder were at times deafning and one unbroken roar for part of the time. The centre appeared to pass over the village and this house in a direction of Moughton. About 12.40 the rain came down in torrents and lasted till about 12.45 when the storm had passed clear and was over Moughton. Max temp 73o = Rain 0.94 inches in 30 minutes at Crow Nest J Howson reg[?]

19-20 Felled out and trimmed trees & thorns to make room for my Californian pines [cutting]

[letter]

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1899 July 24 Wife went to Richmond School bazaar returned 27 Ingleborough Annies 2d 26 W Annie and I and Frl Lehmann[?] the governess started at 1.15 up Thwaite Lane & Long lane to Cave then through Trow Gill to Gaping Gill then up the East Side of Inglebro (omitting little Inglebro) on to the top. Walked round had a fairly good view, beautiful sun & shade effect; perfect day. Had refreshment at Swine Tail Hotel, then down v Allotment & Crummack home 7.20 6 hours walk. Both girls [illeg] it well and turned up fresh in the morning

27th Thursday Sale of John Ingleby's property see 352p back of letter

Aug 10 Went to Liverpool and stayed 2 nights with my friend Prowse at Oxtun. Had a good talk about my son Richards prospects and how best to handle him. We were both agreed in taking a firm stand with one who will not work. The results were satisfactory to me and Prowse fully entered into the matter

12 and gave me some good advice. Returned home on the 12

14 Prowse children came and stayed 3 weeks till 4 Sept

Musquitos in England

25 We have all been bitten very much this hot weather by insects. John Howson of

Crow Nest called at AH and saw a mosquito on my dining room window. He afterwards told me there was not the slightest doubt about it being a mosquito which accounts for the severe bites I have on my legs, which are all in the nature of mosquito bites

Wed Sept 13 My son Richards 21st birthday. Swallows assembling

After breakfast put up House Flag. Ordinary work till noon when we all, ie Self, wife, Noel, Annie & Fr [illeg] drank the lads health in champagne. After dinner all went out in village but me. After tea wife and I gathered two fine baskets of mushrooms. She went down village I made three photo frames. We propose having a supper on Sat & have asked J Ingleby & A & W Mattinson

Sat 16 Richard came home abt 11.15 He and I went down to Mr Fisher where Richard signed a receipt for his Bank Book & £350. 1. 6 from me in the presence of Mr Fisher actuary and James Capstick treasurer of Austwick Penny Bank. Had dinner at 12.30 after which Richd received his presents viz a Kit bag from his mother, dressing case and photos from me, a knife from Noel, a birthday book from Annie a gold pencil case from Henry, a hunting knife from Mr Booth, Eau de Cologne from Annie. The servants were brought in to see them. The boys went rabbit shooting after dinner. I walked over to Clapham for letters. John Ingleby arrived abt 7.15 and at 7.45 Alice & Willie Mattinson came & we all went into supper abt 8pm The table was nicely decorated with flowers & lit by 8 candles. Courses 3 fowls a brace of grouse Sweete and desert grapes pears chocolate ginger &c We had 2 bottles of sparkling Moselle and when desert was on John Ingleby proposed Dicks health in a very nice speech full of feeling; we drank the toast standing in a bottle of 1847 port part of a little lot I had from my own 21st birthday on 23 Oct 1858. I afterwards proposed John Inglebys health remarking that we were at school together, had lived side by side shot, and fished together for 50 years. The rest of evening was passed in talk & music. John Ingleby singing "I am a General" He and I adjourned to Smoke room & he left about 10.30 I went as far as cemetery with him & returned to cards in Smoke room. Retired abt 12pm Thus ended an eventful day in our family history. Present Self, wife, Richard, Noel, Annie, Fr [illeg], Alice & Wm Mattinson, J Ingleby = 9 persons

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1899 Summer of 1899

Sep 9 This has been truly a record summer for length of warm weather which has been continuous from the last week in May to 9h Sept when colder & unsettled weather set in which proved what is practically the breakup of Summer

10h min 30o 11h first fire in Smoke room 12h swallows congregating now which they do now every morning on the eaves of Austwick Hall

18 Autumn gales & heavy rain, snow in Scotland. Many swallows gone Summer now over & cold weather threatening 11 first fire in Smoke room

22 Nearly all swallows gone & we begin fires in dining room

29 Septemb Richard completes his 3 years apprenticeship architect Leeds

Sat Oct 21 Richard leaves Chorley & Connon; 2 other pupils coming. What will he do?

Nov 20 Had letters delivered at the house 6.47 early despatch 7.30am

10 Wife and Richard go to Southsea. Richard returned 25h wife 4 Decr

Decr 2 wrote Richard my ultimatum letter as to his future (see letter book

10 No acknowledgment of above but studied want of self denial to my wishes wrote final ultimatum

3-14 Winter settling in severely all at once 3d – 27; 9th 25/; 10 25/31; 11 24/36; 12th

26/32; 14 19/ heavy snow on 9-10-11

My son gives up Architecture

18 Richard after 8 weeks from work gives up architecture and takes lodgings at Low Bentham intending to follow the career of a journalist, giving up the substance for the shadow. Only hope he will succeed, it will have to be by his own efforts now
Southport

21 Decr Wife Self Annie and her German governess Frl Lehman go to Southport where we were joined next day by Noel and afterwards joined by Dick who came to us from Bentham for four days all stayed just 4 weeks at Mrs Chadwicks 19 Portland St very comfortable

1900 Clean good cooking and reasonable. Weather stormy & very wet

Jany 18 Wife and I Annie & Miss Lehman ret'd home. Noel went back to school yesterday. Annie travelled home full fare for first time Dagmar Evensen came to us left next day for Arundel

Feb 7 = 17o; 18th = 11

9 to 11 Heavy snow storm the heaviest for 8 or 9 or more years 1888-1881 \$11 went to Clapham

11\$ went to Clapham Church 20 people all [illeg] ie 6 in chancel curate organist [illeg] 3 in choir 14 in body of church 10 of whom were children & youths [illeg] 4 men no women a sad defect lesson. Had a talk with curate who thanked us for coming

15 Fearful blizzard and snow storm from abt 8am till

John Howson Crow Nest died 3am Influenza & bronchitis A very large number of Influenza cases all over the country Nearly every house in Austwick one or more cases

21 Sarah started influenza Dr called in 28 came down after tea

3 Mar came down to breakfast

Mar 10 Wife and I went to Southport for week end: ret'd 13 wife quite cured but my cold I cannot get rid of. 24 Dick 5 weeks at home. Took rooms Long Preston 26

24 Saw first wagtail 24 Constance & her 2 children came to AH went

Apl 2 Wife went to Southsea to stay with her mother. Dick left Long Preston for home we think he is better here as he is under our supervision he has decided to go to New Zealand. Promised to help Henry here at home for the present

[2x cuttings]

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1900 Ap 10 My friend Alf Prowse came for Easter left the 16 wet nearly all his visit

Ap 17 My two boys saw a woodcock abt 8pm fly over garden to Plant[ation]

Ap18 first swallow at Austwick by the boys

19 Hope Watkins & Geo Charlesworth to be married today at Austwick

Spring 1900

Heavy snow on hills up to about the 7 of April with cold east winds persistently land dry. About 7 wind changed to west with almost constant rain till the 16 when the weather settled down. 19h first prt cloudy afternoon warm & sunny temp shade 20 fine and bright hot sun the last week vegetation has progressed very rapidly

May 7 Mrs Byers died 10.45 after a long and painfull illness. Wife has been down at Southsea 5 weeks & 6 days altogether she ret'd Sat 12h

12 Wife returned from Southsea away 5 weeks & 6 days nearly 6 weeks

th 17th Cossie and her children return Shetland here 6 weeks

Transvaal War

30 Wed General Roberts occupied Pretoria without resistance flags out at AH
 June 1 Cold NE wind more like March had to go back to winter clothes
 My son Richard and New Zealand
 June 6h Wed I and Richard left home for London 9.20 arrived St Pancras
 Wed 6 3.40 G Hick met us. Richd went off at once to Waterloo Station & Southsea I
 sent off his heavy case to care of Orient GS Co Tilbury Dock & booked his kitbag &
 deckchair at St Pancras & spent the rest of the day sight seeing with Geo Hick who
 got me a room close to his lodging in Hereford Road Bayswater No 60 but I had
 meals at No 86 with Hick & his wife
 th 7 After breakfast went to see old Kensington Palace, then on to [illeg] gardens, S
 Kensington Museum & home for lunch after which I went down to 90 Tulse[?] Hill &
 spent a very pleasant hour and a half with Sir William and Lady Huggins returned to
 Hicks for dinner at 7 after which we went to Waterloo Station to meet Rich at 9.7 He
 shared my room at No 60 Hereford Road
 Frid 8 Up in good time & after breakfast we Dick & I went to St Pancras where a
 special train left with passengers for S "Orient" Got things out of luggage office and
 left 10.55 arriving at Tilbury 11.40 Met Mary Richmond on Pier. Got all things on
 board tender which shortly left for [illeg] in the river. A large crowd of passengers
 and friends. After a bit of trouble got Richards kit bag & deck chair into his room one
 out one with porthole. We all 3 strolled round the ship till the bell rang for shore
 people to clear I and Mary Richmond went on board the tender at 12.45 after saying a
 long goodbye to my dear lad a rather hard business for me as I may never see him
 again on this side. He stood it better than I did. Took 4 snap shots from the tender as
 we moved away and left the lad looking over the rail looking sad. He is going to a
 farm near Gisborne New Zealand N Island. Retd to St Pancras had a wash & lunch
 Sent a telegram & letter to Sallie Went to 86 Hick for dinner after which went to the
 Royal Astronomical Societys meeting & home next day Sat

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1900 June 13 Miss Bridson came to us from Liverpool
 June 14 Went to Richmond to see Noel Confirmed by the Bishop of Richmond left
 Settle 12 ard Richmond 5.45pm
 15 Confirmation by Bishop Pullein in Trinity Church at 12.15 only 6 boys from the
 Grammar School. Lunched with the Bishop
 16 Returned home from Richmond 6pm
 22 Richard left Port Said yesterday for Sydney see school ledger
 Finished putting new wire netting between garden and plantation
 Prof Hughes and his party came to Clapham went to Cave & Trowgill with
 themselves[?]
 21 Maggie Byers came to us from Northallerton
 A letter from Dick from Port Said describing Naples Pompeii &c written on 20th Dick
 arrived at Columbo Ceylon
 July 2 Walked to Station train Ingleton walked to Weathercote where I saw my old
 friend Mrs Hodgson who is failing fast. Stayed an hour and ½ then walked to
 Springcote Saw the Misses Metcalfes and walked home
 Norway 1900
 July 6 I had promised sometime to take Annie to Norway to see her old governess
 Helge Evensen so decided to do this Summer. Accordingly we left home on Friday
 July 6 Crossed to Arendal by S Prospero very rough passage. Spent 5 days at Arendal

at Grand Hotel where the Evensens generally met us, and we walked up to Egutoe[?] 3 times. We then went to F[illeg] between Arendal and Grinestead[?] for a fortnight. Where the Evensens stayed, saw Reysenefoss[?] Old church at Stad over 900 years old burnt down 18 May 1900. Old church at Fjere also over 900 years. Grimstadt, Hadpic[illeg] at different places and had a very pleasant 3 weeks in Norway which Annie enjoyed immensely home 31 July all well

25 days onto 39, 15, 3

(Mrs Watkins went to Beck House during our stay in Norway

Lighning struck tree

Aug 8 Noel and I went to examine the ash tree in Robt C[illeg] Raines which was struck by lightning abt 4pm on Sat 28 July. We found bark had been projected 59 yards from the trunk which was devoid of bark & the head and trunk thoroughly shattered. What must have been the force of the electricity to produce such havock. Got a very good photo of it

Richard arrives New Zealand

8 Recd a telegram 4.43pm today. Arrived Rich Clapham Gisburn Reuter Handed in at Lothavring[?] 1am Recd Austwick 4.43pm 8 weeks & 5 days out

Wifes 50h birthday

9 Wet day. Annie & Dorothy Atkinson came from Settle. I gave wife a small gun metal watch. Drunk her health at dinner in the evening. We all played games S had a lot of letters and it was a notable coincidence that Dick arrd at N Zealand on the eve of 9

17, 18, 20 Cut out all spruce in arboretum only leaving Californian pines. The bottom of wood much improved thereby

17 painted flagstaff & new haliyards [illeg]

20 Madge Maynard came, left 27

Musquitos

Aug & Sept Musquitos again present in England. Have been bitten many times in August & early September

[2 cuttings]

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Richard 22 birthday

1900 Sep 13 Richards 22d birthday how different from last year when he had a birthday supper at home. Now he is on the other side of the world and thrown away all I have done for him at school & in his business. Time will show whether chasing sheep in N Zealand will be better than architecture in England

28 Tina Nisbet came: swallows gone today: Tina left 1 Oct

29 Geo Hick & his wife come 8 days left 6 Oct.

Geo & I went up Farrers grounds to

Oct 1 Cave Trowgill and Gaping Ghyll. S[illeg] Simons hut & Crumack home

Mr Morrisons meeting at Clapham

Oct 2 was Chairman at an open air meeting at Clapham 1pm when Mr Morrison addressed the electors from the Cross a very good meeting. John Ingleby proposed a resolution Sec by Arthur Ingleby carried with only 1 dissenting hand. Rads had open air meet abt 12 noon

12 Election day – went to Oxton returned 18h 19 Prowse & I went to Allum pot fine day, 20 Dent & Sedbergh 23 Settle home by Scartops[?] 24h Prowse left noon

Sale of Orkaber Estate

31 W News Room Austwick The above estate sold Orcaber 46.11 acres sold for £1740 Hartley Keighly [illeg] meadow 5.09 acres £325 Hartley Keighly Cross Streets land 21.16 acre £1417 Mrs Hird Bowsber Hakerside[?] 18.70 £340 Mrs Hird Bagdale 2 of 2.31 acre £60 Farrer total £3882 Reserve 3700 depreciation for building 200£ net value £3500 making £382 above reserve valuation, a very good sale

£2403. 1. 4 invested in India 3% producing £11. 6. 4 each of 2[?] [illeg] girls

Earthquake

Nov 13 A slight shock of Earthquake here this morning at 8.40am wife was in bed with a bad cold and noticed the rattling of the things in her bedroom. I and Annie & F Gulbrendsen[?] were getting the breakfast ready & did notice it. Was felt at Skipton Decr 7h paid for Mrs Byers tombstone at Southsea £5. 0. 0

22 Richd Howson Carpenter Clapham finished putting up a wood and glass screen (at my expense) over the upper half of the archway between the Tower & body of Clapham Church Mrs Ward filled in the lower part with oak to the memory of her husband. I filled in the upper part cost £5. 0. 0 The vicar was very unreasonable about first plans as he wanted to see an old window in the [illeg] from the pulpit a strange notion for a parson, first and last with him

21 My old friend Mrs Hodgson died at Weathercote today

Xmas day

25 Noel & I went to Clapham Church stayed Comm[un]ion after got a carriage from New Inn & brought poor old John Ingleby home to join in our Xmas festivities. He was all alone at Clapham and felt the kind invitation very much. He left us abt 4.30 and would not have a carriage home. It was a real kindness to ask him

28 Annies 13 birthday had a big childrens party 27 invited guests with four of ourselves & governess made 32 far too many it only d[illeg] the child but it is quite of the [illeg] [illeg] of the day [illeg] next year 6 will have to suffice

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1900 Last Sunday and last day in the century 1900

Decr 30 \$ Noel and I went to Clapham Church; rainy and Annie & F[illeg] cd not go Had a 2d Xmas dinner and drank healths read and wrote most of the afternoon and in the evening I went again to Clapham to [illeg] C[illeg]

31 This is the last day of the year and of the century. After breakfast Noel and Frolien[?] Gielbrandsen drove to Clapham the former went to visit a school fellow at Bingley the latter to London to see friends there. I went into the village on a bit of business; then came home and copied 4 of Sir Wm Huggins plates of Star spectra till dinner after which wrote some letters and ordered some architectural literature. After tea we 4 had a game at Spoof[?] till 6.30 when mother went to Austwick Church. I and the girls played till 7pm when they went to their own rooms for supper and bed. Read rest of evening

1901 Jany 11 to 14 Mr Booth came to us from Friday till Monday

\$ Jany 20 Recd a 2d letter from Richard in New Zealand no information in it.

22 Tuesday Death of the Queen

The Queen passed away peacefully at 6.30pm Osborne 81 years 8m

My guardian, lawyer & friend died at 10pm aged 76y 2m was buried at Giggleswick Churchyd frid 25 Jany 1.30pm I went to the funeral largely attended

Diphtheria in Austwick Sad case

Jany Jane Coate grocer lost 3 of her children all she had in less than a week namely Fred 18 Jan [illeg] [illeg] tues 22 baby thurs 24th when she herself went to bed

thurs 24 January 9am Prince of Wales formally proclaimed King Edward VII
 30 Wife and I went to Leeds and bought nearly £25 worth of house linen 24. 13. 3 the first large order since our marriage nearly 24 years ago. The last of an old family Capstick of blacksmiths resigned work & sold his business. James was the 3d generation of smiths his grandfather had a smithy shop at Clapham and one at Austwick near to old Henry Fosters house. Old Tom I rem[em]ber when a boy Jimmy and I were almost contemporary. The business is sold to a man named Holmes from Windermere

Sat Feb 2 Queen Victoria's funeral at St Georges Windsor 2.30pm Mem service at Clapham

3 Went to Clapham Church [illeg] & [illeg] all in black good sermon by vicar Proclamation of King Edward VII at Clapham

9 Sat The King Edward VII was proclaimed from the old cross at Clapham at 2.30pm. The audience was only small Mr Camm[?] made a very nice little speech & introduced Mr Dawson Metcalfe the Chairman of the Clapham Parish Council who duly read the proclamation after which we all sang God Save the King (the first time I ever heard it). We then all adjourned to the News room where those who would signed the declaration

14 The King & Queen went in great state to open Parliament using the State Carg 1st time since 1861

16 Primroses and 14o of frost A beautiful plant of above with 5 lovely blooms in full flower on top border (foreign fern border) at A.H.

27 Gave a new Union Jack to Clapham News Room for Proclamation also a flagstaff for building

Howson for pole &c 1. 1. 5

Flag – Liverpool 0. 9. 0

£1. 10. 5

Wilkinson Flag maker South Castle St Liverpool

March Storm

March 26 = 18/41; 27 = 19/39; 28 = 21/41; 29 = 16/38 heavy snow blizzard 4-10pm

30 = 28/44 thunder

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The Census of 1901 Copy of form

List of members of this family, of visitors, of boarders and of servants who slept or abode in this dwelling on the night of Sunday 31 March 1901

| 1 Name and Surname | 2 Head of Family relationship to | 3 Condition as to marriage | 4 Sex | 5 Age | 6 Profession or occup. |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|
| Thos Richd Clapham | Head of family | Married | M | 63 | Living on own means |
| Sarah Frances Clapham | Wife | Married | F | 50 | „ |
| Annie Catherine Clapham | daughter | Single | F | 13 | „ |
| [illeg] [illeg] | Servant | Single | F | 21 | Governess |
| Julia Clarke | Servant | Single | F | 23 | Cook domestic |
| Elizabeth Taylor | Servant | Single | F | 27 | Housemaid domestic |

9 Where born If deaf dumb blind lunatic
Yorks Feizor -----
Yorks Coneysthorpe
Lanch Southport
Christian [illeg] [illeg]
West [illeg]
Yorks Giggleswick

Witness my hand TR Clapham

The above is an exact copy of the form filled in by me Thos R Clapham
Easter 1901

March 30 My friend Alfred Prowse could not spend his Easter with us this year on account of uncles illness. I posted him today 4 of 1in ordnance sheets round here mounted on cloth and in case. Maps 4/- case 4/- post 3 He was very pleased to have it
Capt Mirehouse[?]

Ap 16 Capt Mirehouse came to AH on his way from Harrogate Stayed 2 ½ hours

19 April Swallows

Swallows. Saw the first this morning abt 9.30 flying about over Austk Hall

26 Prowse came. I went to Lancaster to meet him Spent 3 hours Morecambe & home

27 Prowse & I went to Yordas Cave and Rowton Hole retd 5pm Heard Cuckoo

28 Clapham

29 Wet all day could not get out

30 Walked to Crumack, Allotment and to Gaping gill hole ret via Trow gill came
Long lane Home Plant Prowse left us at 4.20pm

May 10 Bought a new dining room carpet Gillows Lancaster

Planted two amphipolis veitchei on South E side of AH drawing room

10 went to Bradford and bout at Marsh[?] Rhodes a nice time piece which I mean to
give to Henry Shepherd on 5 June Do when he will have been in my service 30 years

15 Received the time piece also Dining room carpet was put down Gillows £10. 0. 0

Date[?] Gisborne 23 March My first letter from Dick re 16 May 1901 He left home 6
June 1900

16 Got my first letter from Dick just a year less 3 weeks Just 3 weeks short of a year
since he left home He appears to like his life although rough but I don't suppose he
will stay out. Of course he may as the life is freer than at home though rough An
interesting & descriptive letter

Dining Room Carpet £10. 14. 6 Gillows

[cutting]

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1901 May 24 An interesting but unobtrusive function was performed in the Smoke room at
Austwick Hall today at 11am when I presented the time piece to my old servant
Henry Sheperd in the presence of my wife, my daughter Annie and her governess
Frolien Gulbrandsen. In presenting the clock I hoped that the present was one to his
taste and that he would live many years to hear its "tick". Poor old Henry was rather
overcome and thanked me very nicely and said it was just the thing he could have
wished We all drank his health

Exact size of inscription Cost £3. 15s 0d

Presented by TR Clapham to H Shepherd as a token of esteem for 30 years faithful
service at Austwick Hall June 1871 – June 1901

Re Wm Hartley my guardian

22 Poor old Wm Hartley called away suddenly after short illness on 22 Decr last and to the surprise of all his friends died intestate. On Thursday his daughters came through Austwick and left me a photo of my old friend and took his sister Mary to Clapham on Sunday Annie & I called at Clapham on our way to Church & Mary sat with us in my pew. On Monday his wife spent the afternoon at Clapham & I went over after tea abt 7 & spent the evening. Catteral Hall was closed on Sat 18 the girls going to their friends. Saw Mary on Wed 22 & also on Thurs 23 when she ret'd to Oxford This has been a sad story about my old friend & guardian.

27 Rain after 4 weeks splendid spring & cloudless sky only drawback flowers so soon aver wood looking well

June 1 Wife Annie & I went to Warston for a week returned home 7h

Norway

11 Started on a trip to Norway via Hull[?] Stavanger Bergen Sagne[?] Fiord & its branches through Naerodal[?] via [illeg] into Hardanger Brat[illeg] Saw 2 glaciers one the largest in Europe had fine weather good company 14 days out

24 travelled by Cook for first time returned 24h 19, 13, 3 = 14 days out

14 Austwick new Wesleyan Chapel opened 14.15 Bazaar at Clpham rest[oration] fund

July 3 Extraordinary heat wave New York 110 in shade men & horses dropping dead in streets Maggie Byers came 20 June left 23 July 4 weeks 5 days here

June New dining room carpet Gillows Lancaster 10. 14. 6 Drawing room furniture redone up Harger Settle 8. 4. 9

July 22 Annie travelled to Rochdale the first time alone. I took her to Hellifield met Mr Jones Rochdale

30 Prowse 2 children came for 2 weeks returned 14 Aug Gertie Clausen left 12 Aug returned 29

Aug 16 Wife Noel and Annie all went to Southsea for a fortnight returned 6 Sep 3 weeks 1 day

Musquitos again in England

31 Have been bitten very badly again by these pests or knats equally bad musquitos

Sept 24 all swallows gone Janet Hodges came to AH

30 Removed circular iron target and oak plank support from above stile near to Bath house where it had been for some 35 years to opposite side of horse pasture. A long letter from Dick in New Zealand, nothing as to his future. Just as vague as ever

Oct 4 Dedication ceremony of Mr Morrisons School Chapel at Giggleswick Wife and I went to the ceremony a very interesting one

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1901 Oct 26 Went to Rochdale for weekend Geo Booth ret home Monday 28h

My last visit to Richmond with Noel

Frid 15 Nov left Settle 12 noon and Richmond 6pm Noel met me at Station went to Black Lion Noel had tea with me, and stayed till 7.30 I went to call on Mr Smith & spent from 9pm to 10pm talking 16 Remained at hotel most of morning [illeg] Noel lunched with me after which we walked to the Roman Camp in [illeg], returned low road. Noel stayed tea bed 9.40

\$17 Went to Parish Church After Service Noel & his friend Kinly[?] & I walked on to the "Bank" for the view over Richmond returning by Easby Abbey to dinner which we all had together abt 2.30 Walked to see the Roman wall near Aske Hall. I went to

tea 4pm with Mr Smith after we went to the 5pm service at Trinity Church, bid adieu to the Smiths & Noel spent ev[en]ing with Mr Maud[?] 17 left Richmond 8.13am arrd York 9.40 went to the Minster then to 13 Fisher gate then to Bootham Bat & Mickelgate bar and on the walls, called to see Thos Horsley & left York 12.15 and Leeds 1pm went to Town Hall & art gallery to see [illeg] [illeg] [illeg], had lunch and left 3.35 arrd Clapham 5.9 home about 6.30 late train bitterly cold rain caught a chill.

Had a long last look at Richmond from the bridge over the river near the Station

Nov 22 Mr & Mrs Booth came left 24h

decr 3d Sold 4 wheeled pony phaeton to James Capstick for £6. 0 .0 bot second hand Gulchrist[?] Lancaster for 25 about 1879 see note in ledger

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Xmas Eve

In the evening Dagmar Evensen and [illeg] Lundegaad[?] came up from the Traddoc abt 8.30pm and stayed till abt 10.30 They said it was slow down at Traddock and thought they would come to AH With our son Norwegian governess Gill[?] Guller[?] and [illeg] they had great fun dancing & singing in the hall after which we "scaled" all round and came under the mistletoe The 3 Norsk girls & we, all spent a very happy 2 hours, the two from Traddock left about 10.30pm

Xmas day

Noel had a cold and roads and fields all snow slush, so I had to go alone to Clapham Church Called on my old chum John Hatley who used always to spend Xmas at Catteral Hall with his brother. As he is dead

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1901 the old home broken up I asked him if he wd come over and join us in our Xmas dinner but he declined saying he had had several invitations but had refused. Poor old man I felt sorry for his solitary meal at this festive time. Walked home in the slush called at the Traddock to wish all there Xmas greetings & came home to our own dinner present Self, wife Noel Annie and Gublying[?] Gulbrandsen. After dinner had a few family toasts and then opened all presents. I gave a sable muff to the wife £9. 0 .0 After this was over I called on old Betty Wooler[illeg] and Margt Shuttleworth & home for tea after which we read and in the evening 2 lots of singers came. I could not but think when Mr John Hartley collected the offertory at Clapham Church if I should live to see him do it another year Noel came home in a cold he went to Church this morning but kept indoors all day wired for doctor 9.30pm he came abt 10.30pm at 9.30pm Noel temp was 104.2 I returned with Dr for medicine & got back home 10 min to 1am 26 Noels temp 102.8 he is no worse

28 Annies 14th birthday She had a few friends up to tea &c

1902 Noel goes to Edinburgh

15 Jany Wednesday Noel and his mother go to Edinburgh I have engaged a tutor Mr J T Linton 5 Rankeilber[?] St as a coach for Noel in order to prepare him for his preliminary exam for a medical course at the Edinburgh University in March in which I hope and pray that he may succeed. Mr Linton charges are 2/6 an hour. He is an old man and very learned. Miss Nisbet has kindly offered to board Noel at her own house 25/- week when she leaves for Italy. In the meantime Noel stays as her guest He certainly starts with all possible advantages and I pray God may enable him to go through his Medical Course with credit Lessons to be 2/6 which will amount to about £3 per month

24 Wife returned from Edinbro 8pm thick snow came very quickly[?]

Feb 1 -4 Hard NE gales much damage to shipping & lives

Austwick Water Scheme

7 A meeting held in the school to meet Govt Inspector which resulted in a mere[?] examination of Dr Atkinson and the Drs Buck, Clark and sanitary inspectors plans. The General public were not "in it" at all rather a farce to call a public meeting a sotto voce discussion of plans and statistics. The Engineer Inspector knew his work well

6 Mrs Evensen (Hauger[?]) came to us. Left Thurs 13h a week here

15 Wife, Self, Annie & Gulb Gulbrandsen went for our usual winter visit to Southport there 25 days. First 12 days cold raw & foggy (March) then today fine rest var retd home 11 March and found Siber Rhodo in flower also early heath and crocuses

8 we were all shown over Dale Street Police & fire station by Detective M Conchie[?] nearly 2 hours

20 First wagtail (in village) 21 dog tooth violets & primroses in Avenue

27 Thurs A Prowse came for Easter Settle 1pm 28 Clapham Chh wet 29 Sleet[?] morning 3pm left for Allum Pot 4 hours walk

30\$ Clapham twice M 31 left for 10.10 for Hell Pot via Fore dale retd over Moughton 4 hours fine walks fine

Apl 1 Left home 10.19 walked to Crummack; Allotment up to Swine Tail Inglebro

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Ap 1st down to Mire[?] gill beck[?] fall on Summerscales lunch then on to Southerscale House a smoke then on to Weathercote ard 2.17 Had refreshment Explored the cave had tea and walked to Ingleton 4.50 found trains inconvenient so walked home arrd 7.10 fine bright day all through Got a bit of London Pride planted by my father in WCote cave planted this near top rock in AH Plantn

2nd Left home 9.33 Trow gill 10.29 Gaping Gill 10.50 left G. Gill 11.1 Home 12.22 Prowse left 2.45 for home The best Easter we have had as a whole

4 Noel returned home from Edinbro after 10 weeks coaching by Mr Linton and Examination for Medical

8 Robt Kitchen and I marked Long Tram and New Close for thining which he will do in between other work

9 Finished tarring, painting & white washing wood hut. Slags[?] Ranch[?]: it was thoroughly repaired in Novr and will now last for years

15 Noel gets his report from Edinbro University. He passed well in English and Mathematics but failed in Latin and French. The time of coaching was too short and does not speak well for modern Grammar Schools. Noel and I went to Southport for a little change returned home 19th

16 Annie and her governess Gulbjorg Gulbrandsen removed from their little bedroom next to the Schoolroom over the kitchen to the South Room as their little bed room is to be converted into a bathroom and the room over Kitchen will be Annies bedroom in future. The smoke room will be the schoolroom till Annie goes to a School Do in Sept

15 First Swallow seen – below Clapham

21 Holmes' men begin making bath room at AH and Evans begins to take out Kitchen range. Sent Cheque £11. 5 to Tina Nisbet for Noels board at 28 East Claremont Street during his Coaching for Medl Examn

28 Sent cheque to Cook & Sons for Noels fare London to Marburg[?]

Annies first visit to Weathercote

29 Self, Noel, Annie & Gulbjorg Gulbrandsen walked over Inglebrough via Crummack took photo of Cairn & young people on top, lunch at Swine Tail Hotel (spring) walked down to Weathercote saw cave which I photod first time do Jingle pot. Saw Hurtle pot, walked to Ingleton tea, train home 6.35 Plumbers here still. Carpenters here all day & plasterer New Bathroom

New Bath Room

May 1st The wife used the new bath for the first time this morning I used the lavatory for the first time last night. All very satisfactory & good.

Our silver wedding

2 We had a little ante celebration this evening just a week before the real date the 9h as Noel goes [illeg] to Germany on the 5h We had John Ingleby to supper

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1902 and the presents were given. I gave Sallie a silver plated double entre dish & Noel a silver Queen Ann [illeg] basin G[illeg] gave her a worked table centre. Sallie gave me a Chinese Gong. Spent a pleasant evening old John left at 10pm to walk to Clapham Marburg

5 Noel left home 8.35 to go to Marburg in Germany to learn German with Mr W Tiley for 2 months he will be coached in Latin & French as well to pass the Oct Exam at Edinbro. Hope it will all turn out beneficial to the boy. It is his first home leaving for a foreign country. His companion Hugh Watkins goes with him.

Silver Wedding

5 Recd a beautiful 15 ½ inch Chinese gong from my wife which I put up on a bracket in the Hall next day in honour of 9 May when it will be used first time as a family prayer bell. Noel due tomorrow evening

9 Wet cold and raw but cleared abt 11am put up House flag and gave girls a holiday. Used gong as prayer bell first time. Had a telegram from Mr Prowse and a nice post card from Mrs Baxendell. Last paint put onto Bath Room

16 Hargers[?] man came to put down linoleum in Bathroom Dining Room finished and all Ch[illeg] done now except Hall all finished. The bath room is finished and quite a success.

28 Recd a long letter from Dick in N Zealand (17 ap post) went to Lpool 31 to confer with AP and wrote on 2 June declining to do anything

Jun 2 Mon Recd a telegram at 9.15 from Prowse that Peace was declared and Boer War ended an impromptu gathering at 9.30pm torch light procession Speechifying from the village green

1\$ a very hard NE gale broke 2 large branches from Ley Sycamore & one large branch from the large beech tree at A.H all to my great regret

Peace Proclamation Austwick

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[telegram]

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14 June

[damage] Annie go on to North allerton for a week 2 Sundays [damage] farm Sunday then to Colwyn Bay for 2 days return to Southport till 23 when we all DV return again. This was fixed on account of Gulb[illeg] holidays to K[illeg] Down had to shut up the

house we all returned home on Tuesday the 24^h X 14 June wife and Annie go to [illeg]
I go to Oxton

Kings Coronation postponed indefinitely

June 14 About 2.30pm news came to Southport that the Coronation had to be postponed on account of the serious nature of the Kings health. The news created the most profound sorrow throughout the whole nation. An operation for hernia or perityphlitis was successfully performed. All displays are being stopped foreign prizes leaving

Edinburgh

July 2 Wed. Went to Edinburgh to find rooms for Noel stayed with C. Nisbet interviewed Mr Linton Noels coach also Mr Jenkins vicar of St James' Ch

4 Fri saw all over the Royal observatory on Blackford Hill by the kindness of Mr Heath Chief assistant, saw Catton Hill obsy on 5 returned home same day

Silver wedding & Birthday

17 My wife gave me a beautiful silver mustard pot for my 65th birthday on 23 Oct Dv and in honour also of our silver wedding on 9 May.

29 Prowses 2 girls came for 3 weeks 31st we all 2 Prowses Annie, Gulborg went to Allum Pot

28, 29, 30 Printed 56 views & portraits for Annies Album to take to school

Aug 5 Gulborg Gulbrandsen left us for Norway All are sorry to losoe so charming girl in everyway

3\$ last time Norwegian flag flown on Sunday at A.H [illeg] an the custom when Helge Evensen came in Sept 1895 & continued the custom ever since when a foreign governess was in my house, [illeg] to fly her nations flag on Sunday now for nearly 7 years & will seem strange not to have a forign flag on Sunday at AH

Nurse Fund Bazaar

7 Thurs held in school today wet day but realised £48 wife dead beat & in bed 2 days sore throuat & chest

Coronation of King Edward VII and wifes 52 birthday

9 Sat Put up large Union Jack on House flagstaff; and House flag & stream of signals on mast, the latter in honour of wifes 52 birthday. Went to Clapham to join in Coronation service and procession. Day fine till procession round the village after the service in Church and serving the meat tea at the inn down came rain in torrents & spoilt the rest. Took photos of Union Jack on house. Annie planted an oak about 20 yards east of iron gate in Plantatn

11th at 4pm Gave the children in the school 96 coronation medals. A few hymns & prayers and a few remarks by vicar & myself

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1902 Kings Coronation Festivities at Austwick Friday 15 Aug 1902

1902 Aug 15 Friday. A stranger passing through the usually quiet village of Austwick yesterday would have seen an army of busy workers on the green making triumphal arches, and no end of decorations in honour of Austwicks rejoicing at the Coronation of Edward & Alexandra on the 9^h inst. A large general committee had been appointed to carry out the work, and subscriptions had been collected to defray all expenses. A sum of £[blank] had been subscribed part of which was to be devoted to a permanent memorial in the shape of enclosing the cross green, and part for a general festival. Various sub committees were formed viz Decorations, Ports, Providing food &c all of

which worked with a hearty desire not to leave Austwick second in the numerous village celebrations in the district. The General Committee was under the able secretaries Wm Mattinson & Walter Camm but all worked together unanimously & with a hearty good will Austwick an A1 demonstration. The people of Austwick when they mean to do a thing, do it with a will, and put some “back” into it, and by the noon of the 15 all was in readiness. Two triumphal arches were erected, one between Mrs Hirds shop and Mrs Coates house, bearing the following inscriptions on either side

E ARCH E Side = God save our King and Queen } another between the Post Office
and

W Side = Hail Edward and Alexandra }
W ARCH E Side = one fleet one flag one throne } Mr Whinrays house bearing the
inscription

W Side = Britons hold your own

A flagstaff was planted on the Green (30ft high) opposite the New Chapel by T R Clapham; on this he ran up his White Ensign which had done duty in 1887 and 1897. He also gave a number of Spruce trees to be used for decorating arches and the village green. Every house in the village had some flags or decorations. On my own house I put up the “House flag” on the house flagstaff and the large Union Jack & train of signals on the mast on the lawn. The efficient band from Bentham was engaged for the day. At 1pm a trades and general procession was formed up at the school, this included the following, which started at 1.30 Band, Parish Council in Wagonete, Mr Ingleby Chairman do wife & daughter Two postal messengers Hird & Jno Metcalfe, a lorry representing Carpenters, Kirkbright & Son, and another lorry representing blacksmiths trade, another representing shoemakers; a lot of others some in trap others on foot including Cricket Club; and a host of other private conveyances very [illeg] decorated, and not least, or last the prettily dressed school children led by Mr Fisher & Miss Windle. This procession which I have not half described, was a marked success in every way. They started from the school at 1.30 and passed down the village to Harden Cottage and back to the school. I took a series of snap shots from the band stand, as it passed down the village as did Robt Stockdale. At 2.30 the children adjourned to Mr Whinrays large room, where they had a substantial meat tea Robt Stockdale & myself carved for them, and helped among the waiters. At 2.30pm a series of sports were carried out at Pant Head

[Letter from John Hartley]

Clapham 19th Augt 1902

Dear Tom

I thank you very much for the nice pipe you have sent me as a birthday present it is very kind of you to remember me. Give my best love to Annie & tell her the enclosed I found on the sofa after Church last Sunday so I conclude they belong to her. I am very much obliged to Annie & WC for their good wishes

My love to you all

Yours sincerely

John Hartley

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croft. These I did not see, as after the children had finished & the tables again made ready, the general inhabitants came in for their feed, and I was occupied carving and helping for 2 hours in the room. This general feeding occupied some time during

which every one strolled about and listened to the band. Abt 7pm there was a parade of bicycles some of which were very amusing, also a parade of perambulators, prizes which were given to both exhibiting the most taste in decoration. This with a few fire balloons which I sent up, and some pretty glees[?] from members of the band, put on the time till 10pm when a torchlight procession started from the green, headed by the band and included quite a lot of equestrians in all costumes. Robt Kitchen in Kaaki wearing my volunteer sword & carrying my Richard Henry rifle J Booth in uniform of guards (both men have been in service) another soldier in Kaaki. Mrs Ingleby in hunting costume, and a host of others. Previous to starting and to while away the time a member of the "Pipe Track" a navy on the Austwick Water Scheme works fiddled to alot of lads and lasses who gaily danced in the road. The procession marched down the village to Harden Cottage and back to the green and on their arrival a huge bonfire placed on the green opposite the blacksmiths shop and which had previously been well saturated with paraffin was lighted. The effect was grand; one huge sheet of flame 40 feet high shot up into the air, and showed up the vast crowd of people assembled chiefly on the west side of the village green. From where I stood on the wall in front of the Cock Inn the scene was fairy like. After it had burnt a while I went to it and joined Mr Mattinson, W Mattinson, Mr Courtney and others of the committee. Mr Courtney proposed 3 cheers for the King which was heartily given by the crowd and we all sang the National Anthem led by the band. This concluded a memorable day for Austwick and a most successful demonstration in every way. The weather all were thankful for, as it was a perfect day for the occasion. The two Prowse girls & Dorothy Atkinson were staying with us and it proved a great treat to them. At 10pm I took them to Pretoria Hall to see a bit of dancing for half an hour. I got several good views of the decorations before breakfast and 6 snap shots with my camera, all of which turned out fairly good. Many people from far and near came to our demonstration & one Bradford gentleman said we had, for the size of the place, done better than they had. The Band [illeg] [illeg] to most of the doing in the district [illeg] [illeg] Austwick by far the first place in these coronation festivities. The taste in decoration both in houses & vehicles of all kinds was very marked. Day ended without accident of any kind

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1902 [cuttings]

Aug 20 The Prowse girls left us after a stay of 3 weeks went with them to Hellifield Re Feizor my sister Annies settlement my admittances Went to Settle to see Mr Vaut[?] about this matter. I ought to have been admitted to the Estate through the Courts Baron ten years ago but through the neglect of Mr Wm Hartley the surviving trustee of my sisters settlement it was put off till Mr Vaut, Hartleys successor called my attention to the matter. The conveyance deeds Lords fines &c cost me £23. 6. 6 for claiming my own d. l robbery

23 Margt Shuttleworth my old house keeper who was 84 years old on 28 July is gradually breaking up and has been confined to bed since Wed 13 August Her sister Mrs Savage & her nieces Mrs Simpson & Miss Davies have been to see her. Madge Maynard came to us today for a fortnight left on [blank]

25 W Pritchard concreted big bath house so as to have a store of water in dry weather for WC in case Austwick waterworks drain my stream took up flags from floor & put down concrete. Bath leaked at flags

29 Wrote to Atric Watkins protesting against making Norber a rabbit warren without

protecting his neighbours land had a stupid reply: put Robt Kitchen on for a fortnight snaring and netting we got 210 in a fortnight About this time cut back & trimmed all the walks in AH Plantation

Bath House

23 Pritchard concreted floor of Bath House. Holmes put connecting pipes to WC pipe I had this done in case Austwick waterworks stopped my supply. I should always have the bath full

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9 Sept 1902

A meeting of the Coronation Festivities was held in the school at 7.30 TR Clapham being voted to the Chair. The secretaries read the balance sheet of expenses. The total amount subscribed was £55. 1. 6 Total expenses £37. 17. 6 leaving a balance of £17. 4. 0 accounts were passed. Some items Band 6. 0. 0 Sports 5. 0. 0 & Robinson butcher 12. 18. 9 Annie Thistlethwaite 2. 12. 10 Mrs Coates 2. 11. 3 Joiner 1. 18. 0 &c Prop by Mr Fisher sec'd by Mr Courtney that permanent meml be left in abeyance till parish meeting. This would entail a years delay in planting trees on green and after some discussion prop by Wm Handly, sec by Mr Courtney that the chairman of parish council call a public meeting to decide on a permanent memorial & that I as chairman, write to Mr Ingleby Chairman of parish council to so (wrote same night) Proposed by Mr Courtney sec'd by Mr Mattinson that the balance 17. 4. 0 or so much as is left after paying one or two small outstanding bills be devoted to the permanent memorial card unany. About £10. 0. 0 was really subscribed for the permanent mem. A discussion as to planting green was carried on, Mr Handley proposed and Mr Bentham sec'd a hearty vote of thanks to the two secretaries Mr Wm Mattinson & Walter Camm for the able manner in which they had conducted the matter, was, after a few eulogistic remarks by the chairman was carried with acclamation, and the meeting terminated at 8.30

T R Clapham Chairman

1903 Mar 3 a public meeting in school to decide what was to be done with the money Decided to plant village green opposite church a committee composed of Jas Capstick Wm Handly & myself ap'd to carry out A Ingleby Chairman

17 Oct The meeting was held in the school at 8pm. No one of any status there, but a lot of young folk was drummed up. The meeting was a rowdy one, I was called to the Chair. The original idea of planting the green, proposed by Halton Handley sec'd by A Whinray, that the 3 greens be planted with trees, an amendment by Walling Handley sec'd by S Swale that the money be handed over to the parish council to plant 3 greens, and that if that was not sufficient, to defray the rest by rate. The 3d proposn by Walter Camm, sec'd by F Foster that the money subscribed be put into the bank as a nucleus fund to build a village institute. I took the two first, and then the 3d which was carried; a most ridiculous idea when the village newsroom cannot be decently managed. Although a public meeting there was no one there with 3 or 4 exceptions, but a packed lot of Austwick fire brands ready to vote away any amount of money from the rates. I am not likely to preside over another meeting of the kind. See account of Annual meeting of reading room 8 Decr 1902 page next

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1902 Margt Shuttleworth

Sept 5 My old faithful housekeeper died at 6.45am today She had been in bed since 13 Aug a gradual breaking up. She died quite peacefully and had been free from pain

during her last illness I saw about 9.30am in bed 3 weeks 2 days Monday 8 Sept was bur at Long Preston see below. Our son Richard leaves Motu[illeg] & goes to farrer Auckland to Sydney

8th Had a letter from Matt Farrer today and one from his wife dated 28 July in which she says [illeg] Richd ridden all way [illeg] with horse and his dog and swag nearly a weeks ride has gone by train today to Auckland and probly will take boat to Sydney where he has some friends there, and go on a station near Sydney. He seemed in very good health but tired of the bush life he had been living. This would, allowing for a week with Matt Farrer and a week on the journey bring it to about Tuesday 15 July when he left Gisborne arrived at farrers about 21st and left by train to Auckland on July 28. On looking at the maps he must have had a ride of 160 miles from Gisborne to Hamilton or 130 from Motu[?] to Hamilton this is only as crow fly the distances ridden would be more than these. May God guide the wayward youth and give him success. I wish we had never [illeg] the [illeg] and the Jefferson element. All the N Zealand venture has ended in worse than nothing. Am writing to Noel today to get if possible Dicks friends address at Sydney so must not loose his track

6 Mildred Watkins husband at Greystoke shot himself with muzzle load gun – suicide
10 Geo Hick and his wife came from Melrose leave on 16h for Leeds { only married 3 months

16 Catteral Hall estate sold by order in Chancery. House & land below it & cow pasture £4000

20 Bulk of swallows gone today; last seen about 24th of [blank]

Our daughter Annies first school – aet 14y 9m

23d Wife and I took Annie our daughter to her first school viz Polan[?] Hall Darlington. Miss Lockwood & Miss Bayes. I was much pleased with all the arrangements of the school and the business like manner of the Principals. There are 92 boarders this term as well as day girls. Returned home 24h

24 Handleys men came to paint all windows at AH. oak grain finished 30h

2 years 4m away our son Richard see above 2y 4 months away

30 Richard arrd at Tilbury dock on board S S Droya[?] from Sydney on Sund morning
28 he went to Leeds to refit & see his friends. His mother nominally sent him £5 he arrd home about 7pm on Tuesday 30h looking well – what next 2y 4m away

Oct 7 Recovered observatory shutter and roof of Transit room & 1 coat all

Noel Edinburgh

S 11 Went with Noel to Edinburgh stayed with Tina Nisbet fully expecting to find Noel had passed his preliminary exam for medicine but on going to the University on Monday morning 13h found he had failed again in Latin so gave up the idea of medicine as a profession as both Mr Linton his coach and I thought he would never pass the [illeg] [illeg] exams of the session. Mr Linton was grieved as well as I was but we thought it useless to throw away more money, & Noels head is not strong Noel and I returned home on Tuesday 14 Oct

18 – 19 Went to Liverpool to have a talk with my friend A Prowse about Noel he gave me one or two suggestions talked over both boys and returned 7pm Maggie came same day. On \$ evening the 19 had my long talkwith Dick as to his future. I have not had an opportunity alone and gave him 20 minutes serious talk Maggie [illeg] us [illeg]
17 Nov

My 65h Birthday

23 I decided to inaugurate my 65 birthday by walking onto the tops of two of our highest hills namely Whernside and Ingleborough

1902 Oct 23 I left home accompanied by Noel my second son and "Spot" an old fox terrier at 9.40 arriving Ingleton 10.30 Left Ingleton Station 10.35 the morning was overcast with fairly strong west wind WE walked to Twistleton Hall farm where I enquired the way; the boy said follow the wall above the house; & the top of Whernside is flat same as Inglebro When we got onto the scars we found it misty but thought it would clear. I had fortunately brought a compass and tracing of O.S map and had taken my bearings at home We plodded along for 2 ½ hours and at last came to the cairn 1413 ft at 1.12pm thick mist all the way and it was a case of steering by compass and chart all the way. Tried a snap shot but light too feeble. Left summit 1.19pm had to retrace our steps back for nearly a mile before we could find a decent place to descend (There is a wall which runs all the way on the top ridge of Whernside) We came down past Winterscales farm and made straight for Gate Hortl[?] cave and onto the Richmond road abt ½ mile above Hill Inn. We then struck for Fenwick Scar close corner and up by the wall dividing Southerscales Fell from Wilsons pasture. We followed this nearly to the top then slanting out onto the top of Inglebro near Simon fell. Here Noel & Spot left me to go home and were nearly lost. I went on to Fair weather Syke 'hotel' where I arrd 3.40 had a drink & up to the top of Inglebro Cairn here I arrd in wind and mist 3.55 Left Inglebro 4pm found my way down [illeg] berry hill and Gaping Gill 4.34 took a photo & left 4.33 via Trowgill and Long Lane home arrd 6.3pm. I was not so very tired and a cup of tea with a little brandy soon put me right. The above is not a bad walk for a man 65

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| Left Ingleton 375 | 10 | 38am | | |
| | | | Rise | Descended |
| Arrd top of Whernside 2413.9 | 1 | 12pm | 2038ft | |
| Left top of Whernside 2413.9 | 1 | 19 | | |
| Arrd Richmond Road above Hill Inn | | | | |
| | 1023 | 2 22 | | 1390 |
| Arrd top of Ingleborough 2373 | 3 | 55 | 1350 | |
| Left top Inglebro 2373 | 4 | 0 | | |
| Gaping Gill 1292 | 4 | 34 | | |
| Arrived Home 547 | 6 | 3 | | 1826 |
| Figures are height above sea level | | | 3388 | 3216 16 miles good |

28 Went to Windermere to see Mr Walker architect about Noel & rooms

29 Edwd Hodges & Cossie & family came to us

Nov 1 I, wife & her 2 sisters my boys & Edw Hodges all had breakfast together viz the whole family except dear Annie who was at school. Will this ever happen again? Soon the boys will be scattered & I may never live to see such a meeting again. I only wish dear Annie had been here too.

Noel and architecture 10 Nov Dagmar Evensen came for 9 weeks as guest

3 Went with Noel to Windermere and got him settled and got him settled with Mr Robt Walker an architect there were he will stay till Xmas dv & if he likes the work shall bind him for 3 years. Got him nice rooms with a Mr Ellwood close to Mr Walkers office. Returned by 2.15 train home 6.30pm

5 Had two photos taken by Horner Settle in honour of my 65 birthday Cossie & Edward Hodges and children leave us for Shetland

Decr 6 Went to Windermere for weekend with Noel. Mr Walker gave a very encouraging account of Noels work in the office and it was settled that Noel should

return to him after Xmas for 3 years Mr Walker was instructed to get the necessary legal agreement prepared. The family are kind to Noel [cutting]

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1902 Decr 16 Dr[illeg] supper at Cock Inn 17 Newsroom supper Clapham John Ingleby taken ill; slight stroke

18 I went to Darlington to bring Annie home from her first term at school all night at Darn Came home via York where we spent 3 hours and home abt 6pm 19th

24 Noel comes home from his first business career 7 weeks at Windermere with Mr Robt Walker architect. Likes the work Mr Walker having kindly offered to take Noel on trial, and writes encouragingly about Noel. He will now be articled to Mr Walker for 3 years

Xmas day 26 Austwick waterworks finished

25 I had all my children at home. Day mild W.W. I and the 2 boys went to Clapham Ch in the morning. I stayed sacrament, dinner & presents after. Dagmar Evensen with us. We had a very pleasant day and all went off happily, and a pleasant evening. Carol singers came also few children had card games in the Hall.

\$28 Annies 15 birthday (15) I and Noel went Clapham Ch. Called on J Hartley and J Ingleby who I found slightly better. At desert[?] had a few to [illeg] [illeg] Self wife Noel Dick & Dagmar Evensen \$ [illeg] [illeg] & sleet

30 Two Prowse girls came for 11 days left Jany 9h all my own at home this Xmas 1903

Jany 1 After breakfast walked over with Spot & Tip to Clapham to see the two invalids J Hartley & J Hartley [Ingleby] on return home took a transit of the Sun. After dinner wrote and did sundry matters outside From 3.30 to 7.30 is Annies party. Children and a few elders = Mrs Watkins Miss Ingleby Miss Bell Dagmar &c there were 30 all told, and the evening went off very well
Noel

5 Noel left home to return to Mr Walker as an articled pupil for 3 years

9 Prowse girls left us 11 days here & Dagmar left 10 for Valance[?] here 8 weeks 5 days. Went with Prowse girls to Hellfd Saw them off 2 pm left 2.5 walked home 10 miles arrd 5.24 (10 – deduct = 3h 9m

10 Dagmar Evensen left was here 8 weeks 5 days. 3 weeks 3 days Traddoc 11 days Farrers London at AH 10 Nov 1902 to 10 Jany 1903) as our guest

18 Influenza First broke and a great many cases in Clapham & Austwick warm SW gales & heavy rains

23 Dick in influenza temp 104 Dr called. 25 Annie in Influenza temp 103 Dr called 31 Dick rather better Annie not out yet but better

28 Snowdrops half out Yellow aconite do 31 some nearly out Siberian rhodo begin to bloom

Feb 3 went to Southport. Saw Mr Willis in his bedroom abt 12.40 then went down to Birkdale called on Jas Baxendell after his mothers death then went to Liverpool stayed the night at Oxton. After supper had a long talk with A. Prowse about Dick. He gave me some practical help in a business point of view as to future eventualities and doing away with codicils & that I had done all a parent could do in receiving Dick home and that I had nothing to regret and said to my query forgiveness means that the penitent asking ie “Come unto me” Had a good talk and next day after lunch we thrashed the whole matter out and I made a few memoranda. Both [illeg] say I ought

to spend more on myself and get away for the sake of health

7 Wife and I went for 3 weeks to Southport. Went to Liverpool twice or 3 times and had some good talks with my friend Prowse about home matters. Old Mr John Willis died on the 9h and I attended his funeral at the cemetery. I find he left me all the pictures at the Nook House. I also had to go to another funeral viz that of Marian Isherwood wife of the younger partner of wool [illeg] where my friend Prowse is employed she died on the 19 and was buried at Formby Church We returned Monday 2 March 3 days after the awfull gale
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1903 Heavy gale SW by S

Feb 27 about 5 am frid 27 March [Feb] we were awoke by a heavy gale raging outside. It made the house where we were lodging shake to its foundation but no damage further than the loss of a chimney pot. Hundreds of pounds damage in Southport. The gale was felt in all its severity all over England. According to Baxendell the meteorologist it lasted from 5.30am to 8.30 during the whole of this time the wind attained a force of 92 miles per hour average 66 miles for 3 hours. The gale on 12 Jany 1899 f 5pm 90 miles an hour was the strongest gust. The pressure on Fridays gale was up to 28.8 lb p square foot. A house in West bourne[?] road was quite blown down to first storey. On arrival home I found the wind had lifted the heavy lead spout on the West side of AH and it hung down like a festoon from both ends. Henry my gardner promptly got what [illeg] he could and a lot of cart ropes which they fastened round the gutter and tied the ropes to the chimney stack. He then wired for Holmes plumber to come at once and the gutter was eventually got up again and new boards put underneath it. I expected to find a lot of trees down, but the worst damage was 2 fine limes near the hut were down & 2 larches in the upper part of the wood. A great amount of slate loosened all over the district. A train crossing Seven viaduct was completely blown over.

Mar 2 Wife and I returned home from our visit to Southport of 3 weeks & 2 days
Mrs Shepherd

13 Hannah the wife of my old servant Henry Shepherd died at 11.20am today. She had been ailing more or less for four years from what ultimately turned out to be internal cancer in the bowels. She was confined to her bed about 10 weeks viz abt 2 Jany and suffered great pain, her sister Mrs Barnett nursed her tenderly all that time. She was buried in the Austwick Burial Ground on Tues 17 March. Aged 56 less 1 month

21 Saw first wagtail but they had been seen at Beck House days before A week of incessant rain in fact a most miserable wet Spring so far.

26 Wife & I went to Seascale for 6 days – 24 years since our last visit. We [illeg] boisterous & fine seas had a pleasant holiday returned home 31st

Document

Apl 1 Went to Settle today to sign an important document at my lawyers, this my third visit on this business. I sincerely hope it will be for best eventually, have done my level best for those interests

7 Annie returns home from school & Noel returns home from Windermere

8 Prowse comes for his 9th consec Easter 9 Norber on to [illeg] Gaping Gill Trow gill Clapdale Clapham home. 10 Good Frid Clapham Ch afternoon walked to Crumack Wash dub

11 Left home 9.45 Station 10.45 Ingleton Mill 11.15 for a walk along the ridge of Whernside day fair but cold and clear and seemed likely for holiday, arrd Twistleton 11.45 onto the top of scar 12.5 Still clear. Arrd at small tarn 1.0pm Ordnance cairns 2413ft 1.57 53 miles The 53/4 to 6 mist was then driving over from Kingdale side and a very strong wind. We only sat down a minute at the foot of the cairn & then proceeded towards N end the wind blowing a gale We followed the wall to the right of the 3 tarns which we could not see for mist & down the N face of the hill till we arrd nearly opposite the mouth of Bleamoor tunnel a distance of about 7 miles from Ingleton Station. We were then under the mist but the rain came down in sheets and we turned tp our right down Winterscales fell and down to Winterscales farm where we arrived 3.25 We then made for Hill Inn arrd 4.20 and had some tea left there 4.45 and walked down Ingleton Fells to station where we arrd 6.20 left 6.35 & home 7.20pm a very hard day. Walking 7 hours 10 minutes covering about 15 ½ miles \$ Clapham Ch aft 12 stayed at home 13 walked by fields to Feizor thence over Thwaites to Stainforth force

13 then v Settle Stainforth to Swarth moor had lunch at Stream west side of do then on via Foredale to New Inn Horton, thence over Moughton via Whitstone hole to Austwick 6 a fine day and a pleasant walk 14 In and about home up the Home plant &c

Easter after seeing Noel off to business. My friend left by 3.25 train for home I went with him to station & saw him off feeling rather lonely

Noel left for Windermere by 12.15 train

2 hours 42 m from station to top Whernside

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1903 First swallow

Apl 27 The first swallow seen today, the pair which build in the barn Richard & Canada

25 Noel came home for week end to see his brother and we all four were at Clapham Church on Sunday may never all meet there again

26 Recd a through ticket for Dick from Liverpool to [illeg] Union Line I and my 3 children went to Clapham Ch probably last time all will be there together

27 Mond Had a long and serious talk with Dick about past & future

29 Wed Left home 7.30 arrd Lpool 10.35 had lunch with Mr Prowse who went down to Landing stage. Had to wait some time for "S. Kensington" to come alongside Dick & I went on board. Saw his room a 2 birthed one. Strolled about the deck til 5 min to 4pm when I kissed dear Dick at the gangway remained on stage till 4.35 but never saw him again Ship left 4.35 I went to Oxton for thought and returned home next day a rather trying ordeal

May 10 \$ S. S. Kensington arrd Quebec 6 am 12th ard Montreal 21st a short letter from Dick

9 Sat I walked from Clapham Station with Mr Barrow Schoolmr Clapham over Bowland [illeg] to [illeg] Hill, then on to H[illeg] took photos of both. Mr Johnson of N[illeg] walked with us to Slaidburn. Spent Sunday morning in beautiful old Ch & after lunch walked to Long Preston & home

16 Wife & I spent week end with Mrs Hartley Holmgarth Morecambe

June 10 Mr Walker architect Windermere died 8.30am Bus[iness] car[rie]d on by son & Carter a partner

12 Mr Mrs Prowse came for 10 days

Winter in June 5h – 73; 14 = 38; 18h = 41; 19h 37-58 ½ ; 20th 37 ½ - 56; 21st 32-65; 22d = 37; 23 = 46-70

Cold NE winds and no rain. 22d all have been 5 weeks [illeg] rain & [illeg] low. Austwick waterworks drawing most of the supply, and had it not been that I had fitted up Plantation Bath House as a supply source and connected it with the house we should have been without water as I am not connected up with main reservoir

July 3 Went to Norway by SS Sovereign from Lym Dock arrd Arendal \$5 Saw Helge & lunched at her house proceeded on to Christianna arrd Mond 6h. Went to Fassheim[?] stayed 4 days returned to Arendal stayed with Helge Hein[illeg] 3 days went on to Feark[?] stayed with Gulb[illeg] Gulbrandsen. Left 18 saw the Lundegards at Arendal. Sept 18 home 20h fine weather & pleast trip

Aug 11 Maggie Byers came to Austwick Hall on[?] her arrival[?] [illeg] leaves 14 Sep 5 weeks here

12 Shot with my old schoolmate John Hartley on his moor at Newby Fell. There were present Dr Wearing TR Clapham 2 Greenwoods Ingleton Mr Kirk Mr Hartley could only stay first drive & keeper Jno Pritchard took his place. It is Hartleys last 12 [illeg] last year on the moor and brought home past pleasant days. He is failing in health. Had a pleasant day fine & clear bar old Johns absence. Noel went as my attendant & stayed in keepers hut & got 1 bird[?] 3 another one right & left

22 Tom Kirkbright trimmed off the broken stump of large branch blown from the large beech tree on Sund 1st June 1903 also trimmed stumps of 2 other branches on large beech. Hope it will not suffer more damage. It is [illeg] now

Margt Watkins marriage & John Ingleby's visit to old home

Sept 1 Margt Ellen Watkins was married today at Austwick to Dr Bert Johnson all assembled after church to Traddock John Inglebys old home. He was there I think for the first time since his sale there on 7 Aug 1897. Dr Johnson was my guest the night previous, fine afternoon and all passed off very pleasantly

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1903 Flower show

A meeting of committee in Austwick School 10th Augt 7.30pm mainly about tent for the show. Jas Slinger & T Brown 2 of Clapham committee Went to see Mr Farrer abt tent He promised them that the comitee could have his tent for the show so far back as 5 months ago. Bateman his steward they informed meeting had lent tent over Mr Farrers head for Inglebro dog show. I had promised to pay cost of a tent in order that the show should not fall through (at the meeting) which was gratefully accepted. I re[ceive]d a letter from Bateman wanting to know if this was so as Mr Farrer wanted to know. Farrer is president of the Hort Society and knowing what had been done, did not make his promise good, allows Bateman (Steward) to ride over his promise and set his master & Hort Socy at defiance. Yet Farrer never writes me any offer of paying for tent which he himself promised, or any explanation of his own conduct in the matter but leaves me to pay £4 for a tent which he himself had promised to supply. Bateman is a bully & a cad, but some day he will be made to feel his position. Committee suggested I should be refunded £2 for my generous offer. We shall see how this will work out. Austwick subscribers are disgusted with Farrer and his Steward & it will be the last of Austwick and Clapham show. Austwick will in future work separate. See end of my garden notes for letters &c [cutting]

TRC annual sub 1. 0. 0 }
Hire of tent 4. 0. 0 } by TRC for show 1903
5. 0. 0

Sept 16 Last batch of swallows on AH this am bulk gone

Last swallow seen on \$ Oct 25 2 stragglers

22 John Inglebys 74h birthday

John Ingleby came to my house to dinner on his birthday 74 pleasant meeting Tina Nisbet came left [blank]

Oct 1 Self & wife, with Alric Watkins all went to Leeds to see Buffalo Bills wild west show v. good

5 Wife & I went to Heysham for a week 8 Henry Wilson Stainforth & Dearbought died

John Hartley

17 Went to Clapham after dinner, called at Johns house abt 3.30 Found him just home from a drive. Stayed about 15-20 minutes with him, thought him weaker

18 Doctor called in 4am. John had 2 epileptic fits was unconscious at Church time and no bells were rung. Went next day 19 no better quietly sleeping away Had a talk with his housekeeper came home & wrote to Mary his sister and to Mrs Walker went again in afternoon found him in convulsions and in great distress. Met Dr Wearing as I came out who said it was only a matter of a few hours he thought. Went over everyday Mond Tues & Wed twice Thursday once saw him on Wedy 21

My 66h birthday (my flag half mast in honour)

Oct 23 My old friend passed to his rest just after the clock had finished striking 12 last night. Went over to Clapham & saw him he looked calm & peaceful. Had a talk with Ellen H came home and answered birthday letters from my children & Prowse & girls. In the evening Mr Barrow schoolmaster at Clapham came over for particulars about John Hartleys life. We then had an hour with the microscope. He stayed supper and did a lot more with the microscope he left 9.15 I walked with him nearly to turn pike house & returned to read Buffalo Bills life. A mixed day of melancholy & scientific pleasure aet 71y 2m

\$25 Noel & I went to Clapham Church I called at Johns house & saw Ellen funeral Tues 27 a solemn fact after 30 years Sunday calling at my old friends house to think that this will be my last call at the house without J Hartley or any Hartley there.

27 went to Giggleswick to attend funeral of my old friend of a life time John Hartley, being Tuesday and very wet some were absent but there was a large attendance as he was well known as an old resident of Clapham for 30 odd years. His departure means to me more than I can tell

[pasted on page]

J Hartleys last writing to me. Envelope of [illeg] for [illeg] Insurance Co Edinbro

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In my birthday book under JHs own writing the year of his birth is 1832. Saw Miss Ellen \$ 1 Nov she thinks it was 1831 but was not sure. John Ingleby confirms my date 1832

John Hartley came to reside at Clapham in Spring of 1860 died 23 Oct 1903

\$ 1 Nov [illeg] 4 photos in Clapham. Called in the old way at front door. Saw Miss Ellen Hartley and had a short talk. Walked down with her to church, as I had done with John hundreds of times. The last Sunday I shall do this. Wife went over in the

afternoon to see Miss Ellen Hartley Mr Lamb preached a beautiful funeral service on the character of Mr J Hartley

Nov 4 called to say goodbye to Ellen Hartley who gave me back my fathers ivory scales also all in Johns possession & box containing compasses &c & a small case of 3 dividers & pens a nice memento of my dear friend. Wrote to Mr Bairstow about estate plan of Inglebys property

Nov 10 Posted plan to Mr Bairstow recd a letter from him

Mildness of Season

\$15 Nov a fine bunch of primrose blooms on top border opposite smoke room, several other single flowers. Gentians have been blooming ever since spring

News Room Clapham

Formed winter 1859-1860

J Hartley appoined treasurer 1886

„ „ Vice President 1895

Nov 24 the wife & I went to Rochdale returned Frid 27: not a pleasant visit for me as Booth was away all day from breakfast to 6pm Glad to get home I found a telegram saying Noel had mumps

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Same day Mr Dunn of Lawkland Hall was stopped by a man at [illeg] wood [illeg] who demanded his money. Mr Dunn Yes but you must let me dismount you know which he did, and said I'll tie my horse to this gate for a minute, quietly secreting his riding whip under his coat. He then gave the tramp a sound hiding after which he gave him a card saying this is the name of the nearest magistrate and you can summon me for an assault. Mr Dunn is a tall lithe man and quite equal to such an occasion.

Christmas passed off very quietly. Noel and I went to Clapham Church in the morning Annie went with her mother. We 3 elders stayed Comunion. We had a good dinner of roast turkey, plum pudding &c and desert and drank all our healths and that of our absent friends. After this was over, and the servants had had their dinner they were called into the hall where the various Xmas presents were distributed. In the evening we had 2 sets of young men carol singers and several children. Noel had a week holiday which he employed in shooting. He got 3 pheasants to his pleasure, and winged another

1904 Jan 8 Edward & Phyllis Hodges came to us from Windermere stayed till 19th = 11 days

13 First snowdrop flower bud top of Avenue. Henry off work since the 4h with boils in legs blood all wrong Dr Wearing

16 & 19 Cut back all shrubs in garden to improve view from Dining Room

27 Rec from Aitchinson loan of their prism binoculars power 8 price 5. 10. 0 a Xmas present from myself 3. 3. 0 of which was paid by sale of old kitchen range. It is an improvement on the Goertz patent having a larger OG and will be a pleasant companion in my walks. All English made.

Feb 15 Cossie comes from Lerwick Phyllis next day Cossie leaves for Southsea on 19 and on 24 wife takes the two children to Knaresbro for 3 months while Hodges & his wife go to Jamaica. All this through Hodges physical break down (through what?

long daily services with Holy Communion &c & leaves his children to be looked after by others. Comment is useless. Cost me £7 but I do not go farther.

Mar 10 Finished cutting a track in AH Plantn all the way from top hut down to potato bed drive 3 hard days work.

16 Wife went to Southsea by 9.1 from Clapham. I went to Leeds with her and saw her off 11.5. Went to Teal & Summers and ordered a front hob grate for smoke room & left 3.35 home 5.38 miserable day

17 Tom Kirkbright & Jas Hadley took out all friction rollers from my Observatory Dome burnt out the old tarry mess of oil & dirt, painted, oiled, and replaced them. The Dome now works easy. First time removed since Obsy was built in Decr 1884

22 first wagtail in village

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1904 March 24th went to Darlington to see Annie confirmed by Bishop of Durham Dr Neale stayed next day Friday with Mrs Clark and brought Annie home Sat 26 Mar
W 30 Prowse came for his usual Easter visit the 10th I went to Hellifield to meet him
Mr Prowse's accident

Apl 1 My son Noel, I and Mr Prowse went to Clapham Church on Good Friday morning and when we had left the church yard after service a sudden gust of wind blew off Mr Prowse's hat; he made a grab at it, slipped on the roadway, and fell heavily to the ground just below Mr Farrer's gates dislocating his shoulder. Fortunately Dr Wearing was at home and the joint replaced. Got him home in a Cab. Wife wrote to Mrs Prowse who came to us about noon on Sat. It has been a great trouble to us all. They left for Oxton on Friday 8h. I went with them as far as Settle Station & saw them off.

13h First swallow seen abt 9am flying about Austwick Hall. Very few this year

14 Hardys man came to put in a Teale front hob fire place in smoke room also fire place in Annie's room: finished 16h 3pm a good workman

Annie's last journey to school – My ears

22 Went to Settle with Annie & then onto Hawes Junctn saw her off 1.5 and returned to Settle. Called on Dr Buck about my ears; he gave me a thorough overhauling and told me he could hold out no hope of amendment as it was the nerves of the ear or tympanum which were wrong. Nerves diseased, advised me to let them alone. He said inhaling steam from boiling water with a piece of camphor in it wd relieve the throat.
Plantation at Dearbought

Ap 25 Made a small plantation at Dearbought 17x15yds Thujopsis [illeg] & spruce
May 7 Hodges came to us on way home from Jamaica Left 13

Mr John Hartleys sale

9 Sale of John Hartleys effects at Clapham See page 378 Some fine old oak bedroom furniture

9 our 27th anniversary and the day on which Maggie bids farewell to Southsea. Rhododendn Thompsoni in splendid bloom and primrose garden quite a sight. So many flowers

14 Mrs Clark came to us from Darlington for a week, left Sat 21

21 Noel and I went to Southport over Whitsuntide first time in summer since June 1886 our first visit too relaxing in afternoon went to Oxton. Whit Mond at S. Park
“Private Secretary” at night Home Tuesday 24h

US America

30 Forty years today since I first set foot in America Hoisted Stars & Stripes Went to

Seascale to rent rooms

June 3 Fine summer day 73o [illeg] 4h = 74 [illeg] 5h 74 [illeg] 6-7-8-9-10 Bright but NE wind

8 The old garden is now looking at its best. Thorns, peonies, poppies &c in full flower
Coronation Memorial Fund

8 a meeting was held in the school by notice to decide what was to be done with this fund, and remainder of festivity fund. Prop by Jas Capstick Sec by Hry Shepherd that the Memorial fund be given back to subscribers; crried almost unanimously Prop by W Lord Sec by Halton Handby that the remainder of festivities fund be devoted to a trip to Morecambe by school children. On assembly A Ingleby proposed me as Chairman I said "I am so deaf, I wish you would take the Chair". He replied in a very ungentlemanly way, and a way which shewed a nasty spirit said "You convened the meetings & you ought to take the chair which I did under great physical difficulties but the Lord Of Austwick may have to rue his ungentlemanly conduct, to a man almost old enough to be his father. Then the secy W Mattinson threw it in my face that he had not been consulted. I said the notice of meeting has been up a full week, and you passed it every day. Some of collecting books were not forthcoming, for which I gave him a bit of my mind, cheeky cub. No more for me in Austwick matters.

June 13h In accordance with the advertisement in local papers (see next page) I sent in a written demand to W Camm one of the secretaries for the return of my subscription to the "Coronation Memorial"

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fund of £1. 0. 0 Delivered the note at his house this day Monday 13 June. This was paid by my order to Henry Shepherd a rect was given by Henry on my account

June Bird life at AH. Very few swallows only two which nest in barn, same everywhere. What has killed them? Thrushes hatched out fairly well but several nests destroyed by cats & Jackdaws. Are the swallows leaving England

14 Wife and I went to Seascales for a fortnight returned home 1 July very pleast outing See abstract log [illeg] at end

[cuttings]

Annie Clapham leaves school

1904 Tues 26 July our daughter leaves school at Polam[?] Hall Darlington for good today age 16 years 7 months. I went to Hawes Junction and met her there and we returned via Hellifield & Clapham Arriving home 4.30pm A. looking well

Aug 4 Prowse girls came for 3 weeks 2.

Aug 9th My wifes 54h birthday – 9th August was celebrated at Austwick Hall today. At our dinner party were my wife & myself, our son Noel and daughter Annie Catherine also Peggy & Kitty Prowse the daughters of my old friend Alfred Prowse. The "house flag" was flown and we all drank dear Sarahs health in good old port. Presents followed in due course.

19 Frank Walker came retd 22d August

25 Prowse girls returned home 3 weeks here

24 Went to Lancaster about an important letter about Richd recd from Sydney which caused me a great deal of pain

Beech tree at AH

Sept 3 Annie & I measured this tree. The girth at 5 ½ feet from ground is 14ft 6 inches

Swallows

Sept 5 Quite a large number of swallows over garden hunting flies: is this their prelim meeting for departure

Sept 9th About 50 swallows on eaves about 9am 10h a good many swallows abt 9am
23d a good few swallows am Took Annie to Lancaster to see Buffalo Bills held West Shore

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Dry summer & waterworks & home supply

1904 Sept 22 This has been a fine summer, hot weather and low streams June & July Aug thunder rains & [illeg]. Sept very dry. On 23d not a drop of water came down the stream. If it had not been for bath reservoir the house would have been without water. On 22 Sept I wrote to the Chairman of District Council putting my case before him. Stating that the waterworks have left me little or no overflow from main reservoir and that some 51 acres of my land are left without water, by reason of Austwick waterworks.

Now Reservoir No2 under waterfall AH

Oct 18 Wm Pritchard began setting stone for this in Horse pasture

22 Tom Kirkbright cut off a broken stump from one of the large oaks in Ewning and also cut off 3 or 4 large branches from two oaks p hour[?] 5/-

My 67h birthday

23 Went to Clapham Ch alone, glorious day. Put up Lion House flag after breakfast. On my return home found quite a lot of presents on a cut[illeg] [blank] from my wife which she gathered near Seascale, also a card and a bottle of Eu de Cologne a dozen p hanchiefs embroidered name from Annie a beautifully drawn to scale plan of Austwick Hall from Noel, and a book from Prowse. Had a good dinner and my health was drunk in good old port. After dinner wrote thanks for all.

Russian barbarian

21 A most unwarrantable attack was made by the Baltic Fleet on the Dogger bank where some 120 steam trawlers were fishing. Some of the war ships fired on the fishermen killing 2 and wounding 8 or 10 others. One steam trawler was sunk (the Crane) 29 The Russians are coming to and see it is best to accede to Englands demands. Our own navy is ready for action.

New Reservoir

28 Wm Pritchard began walling the new reservoir under the waterfall in Plantation for a larger supply of water to house and fields during a draught weather. Kept fine and work went on well, and was completed on 10h November Dimensions of reservoir Long 15ft 6in wide 7ft 4in depth to overflow 3ft 11in Contents in galls 2774 gals

Nov 2 Cleared out rain water cistern at back door, and had a new stop tap fitted to cistern. For reservoirs see Drains & waterpipes book.

12 Water will be turned into new reservoir Sat Nov 12.00 11.35am actual time of building 10 days all fine but 2 days out of 12 Water turned into reservoir 11.35 am good run 2.20pm

Eyes and ears

16 Wife and I went to Leeds today to consult Dr Hy Lecker Walker about my wifes eyesight she got some spectacles from Wood and Abrahams Liverpool about Feb 1903 but they did not seem satisfactory so I decided to consult a specialist who Wm Watkins had seen he gave wife a very carefull exam and tests & wrote out formula for lenses which we ordered at once from Reynolds and Branson Opt Dr Walkers fee £2. 2. 0 He examined my ears & put me to severe tests but came to the same conclusions

as Dr Buck abt 22 Apl 1904 verdict no cure: disease of nerves fee £2. 2. 0

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1904 Snowstorm

Nov 22 Tu Snow fell on Sunday afternoon slightly but yesterday afternoon it came steadily down with a N wind, culminating during the night in one of the most severe and dangerous blizzard snow storms we have had for a good many years. Road completely blocked in many places. Snow lay 10 inches deep on the lawn, but where it had been drifting was very deep.

Austwick Hall Observatory

Decr 24 This is the 20h anniversary of erection of my 12 feet observatory by Harger Bros Builders Settle on Wedy the 24 Ocr 1884. The obser is for all purposes as good now as the day it was completed I have taken great care of it and have given it a good coat of paint on average of every two years

Priests & Nuns at Lawkland R.C Chapel

17 The priests and nuns who have been for several months stationed at the Roman Catholic Chapel at Lawkland have had a regular row and have all been ordered away; the last went today: all to Halifax I hear I should say the place has been a drinking brothel for months and there is satisfaction that the whole dirty crew have been removed from our Protestant district. What will Ingleby Dunn & Co have to say to this?! One of this scum was, I am informed prying about all the houses in Clapham where he got food &c and his movements about the neighbourhood were of a very suspicious and shady character. A nice lot for the owners of Lawkland Hall to harbour and encourage but what can you expect from an ultra rit[?] priest of the first order!

1905 Recd a beautiful plan of Grisedale Hall done by Noel for me as a Xmas gift

Jany 11 Snowdrops just showing white in flower buds 27 quite swelled out into eggshape yellow aconites in flower at front door

“A hundred years ago” Yorks Post [cutting]

29 Abnormally high Baromr reading. Mercury standing 30.31 for 3 or 4 days steady began to fall today. 30 dull overcast, aft rain eveng strong SW wind

30 Measured all my sequoias today by triangulation See “[illeg]”

Fifty years ago

Feb 2 1855 TR Clapham left Giggleswick Grammar School Aet 17y 3m – 10 ½ years there

4 Snowdrops & aconite nearly fully out 10h fully out

10 Thrushes & birds singing Mr Crosland Bible Society stayed here over meeting

11 Had an unpleasant interview with Schoolmaster Fisher when I went to Penny Bank tonight, about a large oil picture of the “Atlantic Liner” which I procured at his request for the school. Some 12 or 15 months ago he removed this from the school and when I asked him his reason, said he was going to put some flowers round it as I thought as an ornament to the frame, but as it turned out really to do away with the picture of steamer which he did not tell me he was going to do. After more than 12 months I asked him by letter, either to restore the steam ship to

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the school or return it to me. Also a case of Australian curios I gave to the school. I went to Penny Bank this evening and after my business there Mr Fisher called me out

and in a most offensive tone called my mild letter to him as "nasty" this put my "back up" as I tried to use mild terms to one who I called a friend. However he wd not listen to reason and there was a meeting of the Herd letting and many people about. We had the matter out on "the door step". Of course after being slanged as having used nasty words which was utterly untrue I let fly for truth, not caring who heard. If Fisher, some 15 months ago had plainly told me that he was going to paste over the picture of the "Atlantic Liner" which he himself desired me to get as an object lesson for the school, and substitute flowers, I should have known what he would but he did this without telling me. Had he chosen a more opportune time than a Penny Bank meeting, and another public meeting to call my letter "nasty" &c & provoke a somewhat public row it would have been better for him, as I have always tried to help him in everyway since he came to Austwick as a master of the school. He quite lost his head this eveng for which I am sorry but I could not have my letter called "nasty" in the hearing of a lot of people without making a strong defence.

Feb 11 Siberian rhododendron near front door just shewing flower buds

15 Tith day. Went to Bradford 9.4am to get a signet ring for Noels 21st birthday at Rhodes. Also a new electric bell & buttons for smoke room. In Bradford for an hour and then went to Halifax. I found Wards End ladies school & grounds done away and a theatre in its place. I then walked to 11 Bond St and made an excuse for a call. Both doors into old drawing room & dining room open where I had spent many pleasant hours with my old friend Mt Horner, but oh how altered. Stayed an hour at Halifax and returned to Bradford had lunch left 3.35 Clapham 5.8

21 Snowdrops about there best now, thrushes singing: but weather cold

27 Siberian Rhodo nearly full out, and early heath not quite fully out. Have been doing a lot of electrolysing lately and mad[e] a seal from fathers stone side of crest. Got a fairly good one which I sent to Rhodes of Bradford to mount on my fathers old seal handle

18 Wife Annie & I went to Blackpool on 7 returned 18h primroses out where sheltered Siberian Rhodo fully out, also Erica Carnia full out. Daffodils shewing col. Primroses

21 Beautiful scarlet Rhodo near Ebbg well in bloom nearly out splendid. Dog tooth violets out also palms crocus & a lot of wild flowers, primroses coming out nicely

24 [illeg] [illeg] Dahuricum Rhodo finer one mass of bloom. Jonquills out Daffd in Ley nearly out

Apl 2 Found a thrushes nest with 4 eggs in [illeg] [illeg] near fountain another building in cotoneaster opposite smoke room. A missel thrushes nest in Avenue

Noel's 21st Birthday

3 Noels 21st birthday put up house flag before breakfast. Noel examined his presents I gave him a gold signet ring PO 10/- and ½ lb tobacco; mother 4 vols Kiplings works. Annie umbrella Maggie silver match box. Alice Orr do Madge Maynard inkstand. Frank Walker oak smoking cabinet. Mr Carter drawing board. Annie Byers silver photo frame Mr Courtney book private prayers. In the evening we had the following to supper at 7pm Alice and W Mattinson, and Gordon Watkins. Old John Ingleby much to our regret could

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[not] come on account of a bad cough. The supper was a success well cooked and well served for which I gave the 2 servants 2/6 each which pleased them. We had a

saddle of mutton 2 ducks sweets jellies desert and a bottle of 1847 port the last of a little lot I got for my own 21 birthday on 23 Oct 1858. W Mattinson shyly proposed Noels health. I then proposed the Kings and later the ladys or something like it. We afterwards played card games in the smoke room till 11.30 and at 11.45 the guests left in a cab which I hired to take them to Clapham driver 2/- [illeg] Annie Kirkbright [illeg] [illeg] 2/6 Signet ring 2. 10. 8 Crest Eng 10/- all passed off very well, and Noel returned by 10.20 train next day to Windermere. On the 6th he is going to entertain a few friends at Windermere & Mr Carter Frank Walker to a little party in his rooms.

4 Daffodils fully out . I found 2 thrushes nests in cut Portl laurels top of Avenue

7 Heavy snow fall last night 4 inches of snow on lawn this morning. Annies bedroom finished. Gillows man put up new blinds throughout today. Saw water wagtail at Clapham 8h April Min 22o = 10o of frost

15 Erica carnia still in bloom though shewing signs of decay out [illeg] 27 Feby & Dog tooth violets nearly over. Dafodils at best, also Robes; garden primroses fairly out. Berberis equifolia shewing colour, wood anemony nearly out. All bird life late owing to cold E winds & snow (last 2 days

27 My wife saw a swallow at AH today 28 I saw one at Harden Bridge Milder the

28 young thrushes in Rhodo by fountain half grown 30 Erica still shews purple flowering since 26 Feby both nests flown 3 May. April has been a cold stormy month strong east winds & snow 1st half latter heavy rain & wind

First Confirmation at Austwick Church

May 3 Bishop Pullien held a confirmation here at 3.30 abt 50 candidates Clapham & Austwick

9 our 28 anniversary of marriage glorious day. Walked to Keasdon & home by Clapham wood hall Cuckoo heard here 10th 12h Mr Carter came here with Noel for weekend

13 Mr Carter, Noel and I left home 10am Crumack, Allotment, Inglebro, down to Gaping Gill hole, Trowgill, Clapham Cave, down grounds of Clapham home 5pm not bad for 67 years 7m

Large blue gentians a blaze of colour 17 Avenue half out. 16 began cementing N end of stable AH

July 7 Mr Fisher leaves Austwick School his last day there today. A nice gathering of children in Coney garth where the children presented him with a plated cake basket. The Church choir a cheque[?] and the News Room Committee a clock which I got from Rhodes Bradford. This was presented to him in the News Room [blank]. I am very sorry he is leaving he has done some good work in the village during his mastership for 10 years [illeg] and really good

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1905 34 years 1 ½ months faithful service Henry Shepherd

May On Monday 29th May Annie and I went to Seascale, and my wife went to see her sister at Reading. My old servant Henry Shepherd asked me for a few days holiday at Whitsuntide. I told him "take as much as you want don't pinch it but have a good holiday" It appears that on Thursday 1st June my old servant was taken ill with bronchitis and confined to his bed, and did not get up till the 18th June, a fact we did not know of till our return home on 16th June when we found him confined to his bed till Sunday 18 June, when he came down stairs for the first time. I gave him all the necessary nourishment, but I found the old man was failing in health. On July 1st we had a long talk together, the old man broke down in tears and said he would have to

give up work. We talked matters over and he continued his work for a time. I had Mattew Hagarth all the time he was ill paying Henry his wage as usual. On Friday 7th July Henry had a talk with my wife and intimated that his nephew would take his place subject to my approval, which was conveyed to me.

July 8 Sat Robt Kitchen, Henry's nephew, came home from Bradford and at 5pm he called at my house, and we had a long talk over the situation. It was finally decided that Robt Kitchen comes here in a fortnight and takes his uncles place on the same terms viz £1. 0. 0 a week Henry to keep the cottage in his own hands, and his nephew & family to live with him. I said to Robt "We will try it for twelve months, and see how things work. It will rest with yourself if you care to have the situation." Robt seemed glad pf the arrangement and I saw old Henry abt 7pm the same day and he seemed glad of this arrangement. I told Henry he must have a good holiday when Robt came in a fortnights time, and that I would give him £5. 0. 0 not to pay for his holiday that he must take a long one and that if the £5 was not enough he could willingly have more. The old man (never demonstrative) said "I thank you Sir: you are very kind", and so the matter ended. It is a sad thought to me that an old servant of 34 years faithful service should have to give up, but Gods will be done. He will be near to us, and we can minister to his wants, at his old home. He will retain the cottage at rent as usual, but to live with his nephew Robert Kitchen. Henry will get his nephew into the way of the work and likely potter about and do odd jobs himself

Sat 22 Had an hour and a half with old Henry in the smoke room and paid him for his last weeks wage and give him a £5 note for his holiday trip. It was a bit of a trial [illeg] from an old servant but we both managed ever so well. He seemed pleased with what I said and thanked me warmly for the £5 We talked matters over, and he had a glass of gin. He said he would do his best to put Robt Kitchen in the way. He sat abt 1 ½ hours and left about 6.30

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Robert Kitchen

1905 July Monday 24 July Robert Kitchen entered on his work here as gardener in the place of his uncle Henry Shepherd. Henry went to Morecambe Thurs 27 July

Large Beech tree at AH

31 Mon Two large branches broke on the old tree about 7am. They fell from the same side as the very large one which came down in a gale on [blank] but in this case there was no wind. It made an ugly opening on the S side of tree

Large flock of Starlings

Aug 28 6.30pm While sitting on the seat under Chestnut tree in Home Plantn this evening a large flock of starlings some thousands in number passed over the lower part of the avenue coming from the west and in a direction towards Kirkers[?] gill. Another, but smaller flock was observed crossing Sandholme in the same direction, a most interesting sight.

Swallows at Austwick Hall

Sept 2 We have had many more swallows at AH this year than for several years and they have bred well. Between 50 and 100 near the latter may be seen darting after flies between the Plantation and Avenue a pretty sight from our bedroom in a morning. A large number were on the eaves this morning a sure indication of their preparation for leaving us

12 Maggie Byers left us for Reading after a stay at AH of 5 weeks

New Lawn Mower

8 Recd from Ransome Sims and Jefferies a new lawn mower £5. 14. 0 nett the last one bot of Jas Capstick 2d June 1873 cost £3. 10. 0 a very good tool

Water Course

26 Jack Pritchard finished overhauling water course from Bath house to back door old drain in first class order except where roots of an Austrian pine growing to the bottom stile had blocked the drain causing water to come down to back of smoke room. Had drain round smoke room attended to and found good; but cemented wall of smoke room down to below the drain surface. No water should escape now, a really good job made of it.

30 Tom Kirkbright cut away two large broken branches from large beech at AH 5/-

Oct 2 All my dear friends the Swallows have gone away

3 Wife and Annie left by 5.20 train for Sheffield for the 3 days Musical Festival at that town. It will be a great treat to both, an object lesson for Annie £13. 0. 0

3,4,5,6 I slept in room over kitchen my room for 22 years till marge[marrriage] when we went into west room 1878

14 min 28o all garden flowers done for 17th min 25; 20h min 26 snow on Fountain fell Centenary of Trafalgar

21 Put up large Union Jack in morning; in afternoon put up white ensign navy flag

My 68h birthday Annie & I on Inglebro

23 Annie and I started for a walk onto Inglebro in commemoration of my 68h birthday We left home 8.7am overcast N wind light at home arrd Crumack 8.40 Allot wall 9.5 Hotel Swine Tail 9.55. Top Inglebro 10.2; cold wind a west[?]; left 10.19 Gaping Gill 10.50 left do 10.58 Home via Trowgill 12.14 = 4 hours 7 minutes fine & clear below. Not tired

Snowdrops

30 Spikes of snowdrop leaves nearly [illeg] in [illeg] long in the Avenue AH

Bell wires at Austwick Hall

Nov 8 These have been thoroughly overhauled by 2 men from Harger Bros Settle, the first time since our advent at Austwick Hall June 1847

Dagmar Evensen & Canada

23 Went to Liverpool by 8am train ard 10.35 Met Dagmar on the landing stage about noon remained talking with her for half an hour till she had to go on board the tender to the Atlan steamer "Virginian" lying in the river. She looked very well, but tired with her long journey from Vevey Switzerland. She is going out to Toronto to try to get work as a Foreign Correspondent in a business firm. Went down to Landing Stage 3.30 when the Virginian came alongside went on board & had a talk with Dagmar till 4pm when I had to leave to catch my train and the ship wd not leave till 4.30

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1906 Feb 22d went to Windermere to thank Mrs Smeddles for her kindness to Noel came back to Kendal for rest of day had a walk round and home at 4pm on 23d

Jany 2 Noel came home from Windermere for a weeks holiday on Decr 23d/ 05 his three years pupilage with Walker, Carter and Walker expired at the end of 1905, and I got him, with their aid, a situation with Mr John Banks of Kendal who is agent for Levens Hall Estate and others. He goes to Kendal for one year without salary, but it is considered worth the sacrifice to get the training for land agent in such a good office. Noel was very happy in his work at Windermere and had most comfortable lodgings

with Mrs Smeddles, and we can only hope and pray that he may be equally happy at Kendal. He began very favourably with Banks who was pleased with Noels plans
Feb 9 But at first Noel had to pay all his own travelling expences connected with the business. I did not demur, but on 3d Feb Mr Banks, of his own accord said to Noel "It is hard on your father to have to pay all your travelling exp and I'll pay all your expenses when you go out for me." Rhododendron Daluricum in full flower. Primroses coming out fully in garden Erica carnia nearly fully out. This has been a mild unhealthy winter

Personal

Feb 12 Cattarrh of bowels. This has troubled me all the winter, more than ever. Since I consulted Dr Robson at Leeds; but this winter particularly, also rheumatism has been often trying to which added increasing deafness I feel me to be a bit going "down grade" but I am thankful for all I have, and what I can do at my age 68 years 3 ½ months

Eczema

About 19 Feb eczema shewd itself on my arms I consulted Dr Lovegrove partner with Dr Buck Settle on 26h who pronounced it Gouty[?] Exema. On March 1st we all left home for 2 weeks at Blackpool, where on the early mornng of 2 that 2 sharp attacks of gout in my left foot and suffered from want of sleep caused by intense itching. We returned home on Mar 15 when Dr Lovegrove called and examined me. It is going to be a long business I fear, and now 24 March I don't see much daylight.

Mar 23 First wagtail seen. Dogtooth violets out in Avenue. Dafodils just opening. Erica carnia has been fully out for over 2 weeks which makes the garden very gay. Col[d] raw NE winds all the Spring
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1906 Jan 8 wrote Royal Humane Society who do not take Fire cases 26 Sent copy of Prnted Statement to Society for Preservation of Life from Fire. Recd a form to fill up which I did. Mar 1 Recd letter from Sec informing me that Society had awarded Harry Lord a silver watch with suitable inscription 3 Mar wrote to Secy thanking him for the interest he had taken in the case 17 Mar Red a nice silver hunting case watch with suitable inscription. 19h wrote to thank him. Mon 26 Mar 3.30-4pm I presented to Harry Lord at the village school in the presence of all the school children; the vicar and the trained nurse were also there. I tried to make it an object lesson to all the scholars. Mr Courtney spoke a few kind words on my behalf.

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1906 Apl 3 Recd an arm chair made by T Kirkbright from a large branch of the large beech tree at Austwick Hall which came down in a NE gale on \$1 June 1902

Apl 16 Saw first swallow over garden A.H.

1906 Gout

Feb 19 First appearance of Gouty Eczema

26 Consulted Dr Lovegrove Settle

Mar 1 Wife and I and Annie went to Blackpool

2 First attack gout 1am & 5am; 3d at 5am

15 We all returned from Blackpool

May 31 Wife & Self went to Harrogate Annie to Reading

June 26 Wife & I returned from Harrogate 18 weeks from start to finish

June Self and wife went to Harrogate 31 May returned 26 June Self gout SF Rheumatism my cost of "cure" £9. tt. to at 16 St Mary's Avenue v good Annie went to Reading and returned same day as we did. She went to London one day, & Windsor another

June 27 C Metcalfe begun haytime, very good crops

Weather vane at AH

July 31 Put up weather vane on Stable after being regilded. Had not been touched since first put up about 30 odd years ago.

Aug 8th Harger men came Observatory to put on a new cover to the observatory dome. I found the canvas. The old cover had got leaky, but says well for it after being up nearly 22 years (Did 1884) 13h Hargers men finished putting on cover and on 15 I gave the Transit room a coat of [illeg] oil. on the 9h inst. I gave the dome a coat 16 painted telescope tube slate grey 21-22 Painted Dome 22 N side of Observy light green.

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1906 Aug 15 Thunderstorm

A most severe storm burst over Austwick this morning between 10.30 & 11.15 The peals were some of the loudest I ever heard.

Swallows

Mon 27 Most of my dear little friends left today I wonder if I may live to see them come back 28=72o max; 29=74 ½ o; 30=75o; 31st=80 ½ ; Sept 1=86 ½; 2d=85 ½; 3=68 ½; 4h=75

Sept 1 a good many swallows today 4h a few swallows seen 6 a good many swallows A.H

5 Edward Hodges and his family come from Lerwick

6 Tom Kirkbright and Jas Handly finish thoroughly repairing vinery & painting same.

The Dewhursts leave my Beck House, rented for a month from Mrs Watkins [cutting]

7 I put 2 coat of light green on Observatory fine day. A good many swallows

11 Quite a lot of swallows yet at AH fine month

16 Swallows all gone 14 Hodges left for [illeg]

17 Abt 20 swallows on house 8.30am 9.10 all gone Finished painting Observatory

18 Finished painting railg grey garth & hen yard

Sept 19 Cossie and Phillis leave us to take Phillis to school at Clifton gave C £1. 0. 0 P 2/6 14 days here

Autumn Painting

Painted Observatory (dome new) two coats and observatory Dog kennel rails 2 coats Bath house door and window. Fine bright September Balcony rails 2 coats Bell cover Gate Table for Hall from oak grown at Austwick Hall

Sat 22 Sept Gave Tom Kirkbright Carpenter a commission to make me an oval "Gate Table" 6.0 x 4.0 from oak grown on Austwick Hall Estate. We selected planks from a tree felled 1875 wh grew S side of low walk in plant[ation] and another plank from tree felled in Ewning 1882. See Forest Book. Felled 21 Oct 1875 15 Decr 1882

Fine glorious Sept Barom 30.01 for nearly 3 weeks

Oak Gate table for Hall Oval 6ft x 4ft £5. 8. 6

Oct 22 Recd from Tom Kirkbright (on the eve of my 69h birthday the above "Gate Table" a copy of the one belonging to Mr Foster of Horton in Ribblesdale, and (which for many years resided in his shooting house "Turpin" on Horton Moor. The table is a

bit of good work and does great credit to the maker cost making £5. 8. 6

My 69h birthday

Oct 23 I had intended walking onto Inglebro today but the weather was uncertain; hazy & rain early part but fine afterwards but no view. I recd a number of presents viz a nice warm rug for my afternoon sleep and a pocket knife from dear wife. A bottle of Eau de Cologne from Annie, ¼ lb tobacco from Prowse, a calendar from Alice Orr. One I prize much viz a watercolour drawing of “Noel & Spot” copied from a snap shot I made in Home Plantation. Wife away most of day at Settle on Blanket Club work. Annie at home. Abt 10.30 took a photo of Hall Gate table made from Oak grown at AH and felled 21 Oct 1875 and 15 Decr 1882 made by Tom Kirkbright carpenter & Jas Handley his journey man. Also took 2 photos of Wm Hird postman for [blank] years and has earned his 5 stripes. Stamped a brass plate for gate table Slept ½ hour 3 to 3.30 After tea printed 7 prints from 4 negatives toned & fixed. After supper read & wrote. A very happy birthday

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1906 Oct 25 4H 4m walking

Walk onto Inglebro

I had intended celebrating my 69h birthday with a walk onto Inglebro, but the day was very showery Thu 25h however opened up bright and clear so I decided to do the walk today. I took with me as my companions old “Spot” & his son “Tip” Fox terriers and left home 9.7 ½ am I enjoyed the walk very much, and was not at all over tired when I reached home 1.55 I went my usual course viz 2 Crumack Allotment wall, west side, then struck over from top corner of allotment to peat hags to spring at foot of swine tail where we rested 8 ½ mints had a smoke & a drop of Scotch and ascended the final climb. Day bright and sunny but a bit hazy in the distance. Had a rest for 24 minutes on the top and after a smoke went down to Gaping Gill hole where we stayed 12 minutes and then came down to Trow Gill, past cave into Thwaite lane, or Clapham Bottom lane across Tarn Thwaite home where we arrived 1.55pm = 4 hours 4 minutes nett walk Total 4 hours 48 minutes; stops 44 minutes, making the nett walking time 4 hours 4 minutes

| | H | m |
|-------------------|----|-------------|
| Left Home | 9 | 7 ½ am |
| Crumack | 9 | 44 |
| Allotment Wall | 10 | 11 |
| Swine tail spring | 11 | 7 ½ |
| Top of Inglebro | 11 | 25 |
| Cairn ard | 11 | 30 |
| Left top | 11 | 49 |
| Gaping Gill ard | 12 | 25 |
| Left do | 12 | 37 |
| Green Lane gate | 1 | 26 |
| Home | 1 | 55 |
| Arrived Home | 1 | 55 |
| Started | 9 | 7 |
| Time away | 4 | 48 |
| At Swinetail | | 8 ½ minutes |
| On top of Hill | | 24 |
| at Gaping Gill | | 12 |

44

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4 actual walking time

Nov 19 Removed large science case from Hall to front landing and put in its place the old 4 cupboard oak piece date 1669 with old desk marked TC in its place. My American stuffed birds on a bracket above. A decided improvement to the hall

Work case

Decr 5 Recd a Russia leather work case from Wrigley Lancaster 45/- to replace the one I gave to my wife for her birthday 9 Aug 1882 cost 28/- made De la Rue and was given to my wife on Xmas day

Grandfathers Clock

14 This long case clock belonged to my grandparents Richd and Ann Hanson of Feizor, and was brought to Austwick Hall on the death of the latter 25 Decr 1866 It stood for nearly 20 years on the back stairs landing, but about the y 1886 the works and pendulum were removed to my observatory as a "Sound beating seconds pendulum" for Transit work. In Decr 1906 I had the case taken from the Attic, and repaired, and today replaced the works & pendulum face & pointers in it and placed it in the hall in memory of two good old souls now at rest.

1907 Jan 2d Began a bad attack of Influenza and bronchitis: was [blank] weeks before I got to going about as usual. On 19 walked round by Harden bridge & Cross Streets, and on Sat 26 fine & sunny Annie & I walked to Clapham but I have not dared to go to Clapham Church yet on account of long continued frost and snow

Feb 16 Break up of frost & heavy snow which has continued intermitantly for about 7 weeks. Strong frosts and snow again at intervals

Jan 27 \$ Annie begins to teach in Austwick Sunday School

Feb 25 Break of frost and snow; longest winter for about 15 years

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1907 Feb 25 Snowdrops and yellow aconites full out. Erica carnia half out

Gale

Mar 16 17th Sat night & Sunday morning one if not the heaviest gales from SW broke over the district since Xmas 1852 = 55 years ago. The damage at Morecambe and Lake District being very serious. Farmers loosing all their brood ewes & lambs in the Lune district & Kendal &c very fortunately little damage done about Austwick.

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Apl 22 My gift of Bier to the village

This was finished today, and will be used for the first time tomorrow to take my old neighbour at the foot of my avenue Margt Foster who died at 8pm on the 19h inst at the advanced age of 84 years

Kirkbright's bill for Bier paid May 1907 £8. 16. 8 Margt Foster was the first person taken by my bier

A cold spring all April and most of May more like winter; hills often covered with snow

First swall[ow] I saw was on Thurs 2d May 31 May This has been the coldest May for years. Although occasional muggy days have tended to make the grass on the fields which are now looking well the month has been a very cold unseasonable one as a whole Constant Easty winds and cold rains

1907 June 11h The Anniversary of 60h year of my life at Austwick Hall

Took 2 photos shewing gallery at AH 10.30am This is an important mile post in my life: my sister Annie & I came home Friday

11 June 1847 from Giggleswick School to our first entry to Austwick Hall on 11 June 1847

My father came on the following Wednesday 16h June. Put up the dear old "House Flag" before breakfast. Day fine and mild and the old flag waved out grand. This flag was bought by me June 1857 from E Phillips 7 Strand Street Liverpool

Tommy Bank Barn

11 June Kirkbright finished putting on through spars to roof and Wm Pritchard will do the slating; both by estimate. Finished

16h This is the 60h anniversary of the day on which my father the late Richd Clapham of Feizor came to live at Austwick Hall

11 "Dangerous Corner" field sold by auction for £49. 10 Chapman & Dugdale Settle Curious bird freak

13 Today my gardner Robt Kitchen shot a hen blackbird as she flew her nest in Cockpit. A cock thrush came in a great state of excitement at the intrusion and eventually took the duty of sitting the eggs out which he did on 23d They unfortunately succumbed to the cold wet night of June 23 The nest I preserved is an interesting one as it is partly lined with mud by the thrush and partly with grass by the black bird. Photographed it 25 June for Dick

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June 29 1907

Snow in June

This has been the coldest and wettest Spring and Summer known for 60 years May was more like November cold, stormy, and often snow on the hills and June has been nothing but rain & cold On June 26 the Lammermuir hills were covered with snow. Land looking well & grass good crop only needs sun to get it in

June weather

July 2d This has been the coldest and wettest June known for 60 years

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See Diary 24 June for a meeting at Clapham when I consented to act as local president for one year only on act of age and indifferent health

14 First really warm Summer day after a long dreary winter & spring temp 69o

15 Cleaned OG of Equatorial after 2 ½ years Winter in Summer Worn all my winter clothes till today when I only put on lighter drawers

17 Sudden change of temp 79 had to put on summer suit & no fires. Hay in full swing

18 Blazing hot 80o in shade

Ordnance Survey Revision

July 13h 4 men of the Survey came to Austwick for revision Mr Davidson – head Mr Sibley Mr Ross Mr Roe

Aug 24th These surveyors left for Ingleton

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a lot of stupid letters appeared in the local press about the above

1907 Cost of removing cement stucco from the walls of Austwick Hall Aug & Sept

| | £ | s | d |
|----------------------------------|----|----|---|
| Wm Pritchard cont removg cement | 41 | 17 | 0 |
| Kirkbright removing greenhouse | 6 | 8 | 3 |
| Wm Pritchard mason rebuilding do | 4 | 14 | 5 |

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|----|---|---|
| Handby painting window & [illeg] | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| Aug & Oct 1907 | 59 | 0 | 2 |
| Total £59. 0. 2 | | | |

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H.C. reconsidered matters and is staying as May 1908

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Austwick Hall See p.1 & photo 363

Removing cement from front and west side of Austwick Hall and pointing joints of stones: same on chimney stacks

1907 Aug 3d Wm Pritchard came up at noon today to sign agreement for the work to be done note (1864 & 1865 cost putting on £72. 0. 0 1907 cost of removing £41. 17 Total 115. 17. 0) by him under specifications drawn up by my son Noel Archt & Surveyor

Work begun 6h Erected scaffold and begun to take off cement. Finished 31 Aug

Sep 7h Sat Paid Wm Pritchard £41. 17. 0 contract in presence of my son Noel

Oct 3d Kirkbright's men finished putting up greenhouse in Kitchen garden £6. 8s. 3d Edwd Handby & man came to paint windows & put on "Duresco" onto window stones (jamb &c

15 Handbys man finished all window stones Duresco: frames oak grain back white 6. 0. 6 Pritchd remov green house 4. 14. 5 Total £59. 0. 2 see preceeding page 270

23d My 70th Birthday

Day opened dull, cloudy and showery, and I remained at home all day. Had affectionate greetings from wife, and Annie; and later by letter from Noel from Wallingford. I recd some very handsome and valuable work the joint gift of my wife, Noel, and Annie. Also a beautiful architectural picture plan of Austwick Hall previous to the restoration "by Mr James Carter Architect Windermere his own idea as to what the old Hall would possibly look like at one time. Letters from Maggie, Cossie, Janet & pc from Prowse & his 2 girls. First thing I did was to copy Mr Carters drawing on 2 photoplates, one for each section and afterwards took a tracing of it on cloth as it is my intention to have the original picture framed. House flag up after dinner. A quiet dinner only wife & Annie & myself. In evg finished my tracing or nearly so and listened to Annie playing in drawing room. A quiet peaceful birthday

24 Glorious day finished my tracing of Mr Carters plan and printed 16 copies from the two negatives I took yesterday this occupied me most of the day and I did not go out of the home precinct all day

Walk onto Inglebro 25 Oct 1907

25 I had intended celebrating my 70h Birthday with a walk up to the top of Inglebro but the day was dull, overcast, and light rain; so devoted the day to photography & making a tracing of Mr Carters beautiful ideal of Austwick Hall previous to restoration. This morning was fair slightly overcast but seemed to ensure a fine day so at 9.16 I left home in company with dear old "Spot" the fox terrier and his son "Tip" and armed with my Chevalier telescope, which unfortunately I was not able to use I walked steadily along without stopping till I arrived at the "Hotel" at "Swine tail". I went my usual route viz Crummack allotment, up west side of allotment then slanted off to peat hags to spring. I only stayed for a drink at swine tail, and gave the dogs a sandwich each; then mounted the hill strolled round the top had a smoke under a shelter and as it was a bit cold (could not use the telescope) and picked up a nice slab from one of the old Roman camps and started back on my descent, always a nasty one, via Gaping Ghyll across to

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1907 Oct 25 Trowgill, down lane, across Tarn Thwaite and home 2.4pm a very pleasant walk. Left home 9.16; Crummack 9.55; Allot Wall 10.22; top corner do 10.50; Swinetail spring 11.22; top of Inglebro 11.37 Left top 12.4 Gaping Gill 12.40; home 2.4 = total time 4 hours 48 minutes: deduct Spring Swinetail 7m; stay at top 27m Gaping Ghyll abt 5.39 min Nett walk 4 hours 8 min Did not feel more than ordinary tired when I arrived home

[cutting] Dinner given to all survivors of the Indian Mutiny in 1857 by "Daily Telegraph News" on Mond 23 Decr 1907

1907 A very wet cold spring which lasted long. Either this or disease killed off nearly all the rabbits in the district hardly any in my plantations

Hay crops very good for the season and were fairly well housed. Nov & Decr rain & floods everywhere

Feb 22 Sat 1908 Severe gale

A severe gale of hurricane force rage all over the islands wind west a fearful amount of damage done all over the country and many lives lost Bar AH 28.57 Velocity at Fleetwood 70 miles per hour (Gale at Southport on 12-13 Jany 1899 reached 89 ms per hour

Japanese Deer

Mar 15th one of these pretty little animals has established himself in Austwick Hall wood. He was first observed about 3d Jany and when Noel & Campbell shot 4 pheasants he was seen in the wood. Ever since then he has made my plantation his home. He feeds with my tenants sheep in early morning but as a rule keeps to the wood. I have only seen him twice before today & that not very clearly but as I, Noel & Annie came from Clapham Ch we saw him browsing with the sheep about 150 yards away. Noel ran back home for my Chevallier 2in OG telescope and we had a good look at him laid down. We feed him with turnips, cabbage & other green stuff which he eats freely

16 I went to Settle this morning and walked from the station. Just as I

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1908 passed through the gap in the wall between Pithhill and Great croft there was the dear little thing within 15 yards of me grazing with my tenants sheep. All he did was to lift up his head and look at me. I stopped for a few seconds to have a good look at him but he did not move. I walked on and he was soon grazing again I could have got a capital snapshot if I had had my camera. In size he appears between a Roe deer and a Fallow deer. Sex unknown as yet. Noel will try a "snap" tomorrow. First appears 3 Jany 1908. Last seen by Noel abt 14 June

Richd Wilson "Bird Dick"

June 20h Went to the funeral of poor old Dick; few there. His body was carried to the cemetery on my bier, presented 22 April 1907. The second person conveyed by it: the first being old Margt Foster on 23 Apl 1907 2d on my bier

[cutting]

21 A gloriously fine longest day hot & sunny all day Put up Naval flag. Noel & I walked to Clapham Church in the morning: max temp 69o; minm am 38o

Beech Tree

22 About 5.20pm another large branch came down from the old tree, making another

large gap. Day fine & sunny no wind, so old tree must be getting very brittle

Hay time

26 Farmers beginning generally on good land C Metcalfe began today on Home Farm
July 23-24 Tom Kirkbright cut away fallen branch of 22 June and 2 other large
branches

Ebbing and Flowing Well at Austwick H

31 Tom Holmes plumber came to overhaul my fathers Ebbing & flowing which had
not been working well for some 3 months. Robert Kitchen my gardner and I had a
trial to find out where the error lay, but failed to do so. Holmes found the error was
that the siphon pipe was air bound. The whole thing only took about half an hour to
put it right. I have never experienced any trouble since my father put down the well in
1851 or since it was removed to its present position 10 Jany 1880 See page 7-79-273

Aug 9\$ My wifes 58 Birthday

Noel and I went to Clapham Ch in the morning. Put up the House flag and cracked a
bottle of Port at dinner. Noel & Annie gave her a book & I gave her £1 Kitty [illeg]
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Austwick Sewer: Connections to Austwick Hall

1908 31st Augt Wm Pritchard commenced making connections with Austwick Hall

Sept 7th Finished the above connections to WC 4.30pm first used by TRC (old W.C at
Austwick Hall made Apl 1869) washhouse connects finished Sept 11h W.C to main
sewer 6 inch pipes. Wash house to Sewer 4 inch pipes

Sept 11 Began connections to Townhead farm house finished 18h Do Beck House
Sep 29 Total cost of this unnecessary job to me £61. 18. 8

13 Richard's 30th Birthday put up flag and drank his health in good old Port

Oct 16 Walked nearly all my old Shooting ground Others[?] Allotments Horton moor
and had a pleasant afternoon visiting my old stalking places: walked home, a long
tramp

24 Walked onto Inglebro & back via Gaping Ghyll 4 hours 10 min

Garden – Kitchen at Austwick Hall

Mon 3d Planted an entirely new lot of fruit trees in Kitchen Garden. I went over to
Backhouses Nursery at Cattal near York and got a lot of beautifully trained trees from
this well known firm. I ought to have done this 30 years ago, when I made the new
Kitchen Garden, instead of removing the old trees. I don't expect to reap much good
from the new trees, but hope they will benefit my successor

Abnormal weather and season

Nov 4h This has been the mildest Autumn I ever knew. We had a fine Summer and
hay crops got in, as a rule in good condition, and full where farmers took the first fine
spell, but the autumn has been abnormally fine and warm, and now there are in flower
dahlias, clematis Jackmania, poppy sweet peas Gentian, convolvulus min, a few phlox,
lobelia, large daisies, Chinese asters a poker plant, monbreasia. The max temp has
rarely been under 60o in the shade all the autumn. The two Siberian Rhododendrons
(R Dauricum) at the front door flowered well as usual in Feb & March, but flowered
equally well all through the middle part of October. It has been the mildest autumn I
ever remember and is putting off cold winter pleasantly to old people like me

[2 cuttings]

Mr Trethewy Land agent &c Silsoe[?] died Wedy 16 Decr 1908 aged 94

Henry Stoweley, Mr Farrers old gamekeeper died 19 Decr 1908 Aet 81

[telegrams]

1908 Decr Mild Winter

The Autumn and winter of this year have been the mildest on record, with the exception of 2 or 3 days in Nov when the mercury red 26o on the 20 we have had no frost, and the garden was a mass of bloom till strong winds battered them. On Decr 20h there was a primrose in flower under the low wall in garden, a pansie, any amount of polyanthus on top border, one or two gentians a lot of mauve primulas

27 First snow on low ground last night or early this

1909 Jany 15h Noel and Canada 1909 Jany

Noel having had no paying work to do for 12 months, finally decided, when wife and I returned from Colwyn Bay, to go to Canada, and on the advice of J Bateman, who has been out there for some years, to go early and be on the spot when the frost breaks. My friends A Prowse and J Isherwood were very kind in arranging all details as to passage Raily fare from St John NB, as well as a banking account at Toronto. It was fixed that he go out by CPR Steamer "Empress of Britain" Sailing from Liverpool to St John, through ticket 2d class to Toronto £12: for particulars see "School Ledger" accounts. "Empress of Britain" sails 15 Jany He went out with 6 valuable letters of introduction to men of influence on the Canadian Pacific Raily Co and I hope he will soon get into work Dr Lovegrove called yesterday and examined Noel and gave him a certificate of health. He leaves home DV 7.20am for 8am train for Lpool and Annie goes with him DV as my health will not allow me to see the lad off. May our Heavenly Father protect and guide him and may he soon get into paying work, and give him a safe passage to Canada. Left home 5.20 with Annie and in the evening I got a telegram from my old friend Prowse stating that the Cabin passengers got away 5pm, which means that the ship left Landing Stage 5pm. Hope that they will have a safe run across the Atlantic.

Jany 16th Mother and I did not get up till 9.30 being tired. Got a pc from Annie to say Noel went on board at London Dock. She saw Noel for about 3 min'ts on board, he went off very cheerful. She then met Kitty Prowse at Exchange Sta[tio]n and went to Oxton for weekend. A pc from Noel" G aboard at London dock on account of gale. Had a good run down (from home): lovely day here with only a little wind. 100 saloon, 200 second, 400 third passengers

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22d Noel arrived at Halifax 3pm today (tegm Prowse) 23d – 7 days from Lpl 25 Jany Monday Noel arrived at Toronto 9am Jany 25th 9am

Our daughter Annie Catherine Clapham's 21st birthday Mond 28 Decr 1908

Dear Annie celebrated her 21st birthday today. Put up the "House Flag" and after breakfast she opened all her presents, of which she had over 40. We were a small party to dinner, only Auntie Maggie here. Some of the presents were handsome and valuable. We all enjoyed the day, as she did, and I am sure that we all prayed that our Heavenly Father might spare her many years of useful life.

From Dad: Best gold lever watch, engraved & gold safety brooch

From Mother: Silver gilt belt buckle, set with moss agates which she collected at St Bees; pendant and ring ditto

From Noel: Gold cygnet ring

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[receipt]

1909 Noel & Canada contind

Jany 19th Erica carnea shewing colour in flowers. Fully out Marh 21st

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Feb 10th Rhodo Dauricum beginning to bloom

March 11 Erica carnia nearly fully out, delayed by cold, snowy and very trying spring

Rhodo really began to bloom abt 21 Marh

Painting and papering at Austwick Hall

Feb 22d E Handby and 3 men arrived and began work of painting and papering drawing room, hall, landing, windowsides doors &c Hall pale green grey, mouldings dark brown & varnished. Drawing room plane greenish paper, doors ivory white. Smoke room green grey distemper all wood work dark, same as hall. Finished March 12th = 2 weeks (days 14) Total cost [gap] last time Ap 1891 – p.15

Kite – *Milvus regalis* at Austwick

1909 Wed 21 April Saw what at first I thought to be a heron flying high over the garden but its flight was in circles so put it down as a large falcon, had no time to get the binoculars. Next day W Lord saw it pounce down upon a thrush in my croft below Town Head farm close to Watery Lane. He crept up to near where it was, and found it had eaten most of the bird, flying away with the rest in its mouth. Interviewed Lord on 23d taking down Morrises British Birds, asked him what colour the bird was? He replied a bright redish colour. I then shewed him Morrise's col'd drawing which he said was just like the bird he saw as to colour. Friday 23 Ap I saw bird on Wed Lord saw it yesterday 22d

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[Noel Clapham's entry]

1910 Feb 5th Uncle Herbert arrived 4pm

Feb 7th The biggest flood for thirty years. Beck a roaring torrent & Sandholme, wetlands, etc a sea of water. Henry Shepherd said he did not remember such a flood in all the thirty years he had lived here

Feb 14th Heard first skylark on High Rigg above Giggleswick (hunting)

Feb 17th Terrific gale, height about 1.30-2.30, branch torn off oak near iron gate, bottom of wood, avenue strewn with branches, two trees snapped off in little plantn behind Yard

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1911 [cutting]

April 11 Gazetted 2nd Lt 6th Bat Duke of Wellingtons West Riding Regiment

May 28th Empire Sunday. Church Parade, full dress poor muster 30 men & four officers of the Territorials Major Birkbeck, Capt Huddlestone, 2nd Lieuts Vaut & Self. Fire Brigade, Ambulance & lads' cadet corps. Headed by Settle band marched via upper Settle & Ingfield Hall back through the town to Settle church. After the service, marched via Settle Bridge & Marshfield to the Market place, where we dismissed, very hot day, no wind, 76o in the shade at Austwick Hall

Feb 4th 1914 Sent in my formal resignation to Officer Commanding 6th Duke of Wellingtons Reg (Lt Col J Birkbeck)

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March. Made extension to lawn in front of dining room window & sowed it down

1912 Handby (Settle) grained & varnished all windows & doors (outside) of A.H. (carriage house & stable etc) Robert & I painted all doors, kennel railings etc in yard three coats of Carson's red lead

1913 March Handby papered & painted Mothers room & library Feb Formed new lawn onto big one ready for sowing

1914 25 March (approximately) date when Staveley, the Bowsker tenant walled up bridle gate between their farm, and Brackenwray (a good job done)

May 11th 1914 Cousin John died at 10.0am

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1917 June 1917 Ed Handby, painter Settle painted green houses & frames
July 13th Most farmers finishing hay this week no rain for a fortnight good average
crops, well got, no water, very hot dry wind, 76o shade
Hope & I alone, Mother in Reading, then at Stafford

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[inserted papers]

From Fr[illeg] Lehmann 1900

The catechism of an English Patriot

Question: "What is your name"?

Answer: "John Bull"

"Who gave you this name?"

"My famous ancestors who have conquered all other nations in the world and by that
made me a supior being"

"What have your ancestors done for you?"

"They have in my name promised me three things: first, that I shall hate and detest the
Russians and all their doings; secondly that I shall believe in all the leading articles of
the Times "as in the holy Gospel" and for the third that I shall [illeg] everybody who
has not the same opinion of the greatness of England as I"

Are you obliged to keep what "they have promised in your name"

"Yes of course"

"Which are the Englishmen's articles of faith?"

"I believe in everything English, inclusive of the primrose league, in kings, princes,
and pious aristocracy with interests for sports; in races, hunting, fishing, cricket, and
lawn tennis. I believe in the house of Lords, the English channel, our colonies and the
national hymn"

"Which are your duties against your neighbours?"

"To look down upon them with the most scornful contempt"

"How many foreigners can one Englishman thrash?"

"One Englishman alone can thrash 17 Germans, 23 Frenchmen and 31 Russians."

"Has England ever been conquered?"

"No never!"

"Which is greatest and most moral country in the world?"

"England"

October 23rd 1900

Many happy returns of the day!! I'm afraid I have very little to say. Health, wealth
and happiness still more may in fullness rush in through your doors.

We shall try to keep your laws;

First to shut all doors

No slamming of books, you only get angry looks

Don't touch the clock's dust

Which always you wonder must

This is what our Maker say
Who was borne today, hurrah
Let the rheumatism be left in the old year
We don't want such things to interfere
This is my last wish may be my best,
As I think, you already have the rest

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Dr William Clapham

Went to school at Horton Revd Wm Sedgewick Schoolmaster. Left Horton in order to be sent to college to qualify for Holy Orders. On examination not feeling in himself the necessary to the study of theology and expressing a predeliction for medicine, he was placed under the eminent surgeon and apothecary at Skipton in Craven, Mr Moorhouse. After his allotted time here he went to London. He here attended the Hunterian Lectures and entered as a pupil at St George's Hospital under Mt John Hunter. He was requested to start practice in London, but though he possessed the Eagles eye he had not the lion's heart. For these reasons he was induced to turn his attention to medicine. He then went to Edinbro where he studied with distinction and attracted the admiration and love of the professors. In 1775 he took the degree of Doctor of Medicine in the University of Edinbro. When at Edinbro he was a great and distinguished favourite with Dr Cullen. About the year 1777 Dr Clapham established himself at Whitby, where a physician was much wanted. Here he dedicated one day in the week to the service of the poor. He inherited from his father a gouty, and from his mother a consumptive predisposition, which put a period on 24 March 1785 to the life and suffering of a good and rising young man, not in his prime, who was an honour to human nature an ornament to his profession and a blessing to his friends

Born (baptd) 21 June 1750

Died 24 March 1785 age 34 years 9 mo copd here 26 decr 1906

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Personal

1861 Jany 5 Elected manager of Austwick School and for 35 years devoted a great deal of time money land, work to the best interests of this school till 15 decr 1895 I was asked by my tenants daughter to give my consent for a social evening to be held in the school 3 Jany 1896. This had been all cut and dried, and a hall was intended from the first. I had always objected to the room for this purpose & for very good reasons. Balls were held in it I always being in the minority[?] among the managers. The proceeds of this rowdy affair was given to the vicar as a [illeg] donation to his house extension fund. Here was I eating my words and had it thrown in my face that I could give my consent to my tenant when I had refused it to others for 35 years. There was nothing left for me as an honourable man but to send in my forced resignation. On 8 Jany 1896 I tendered my written resignation to Wm Handby who sneered & laughed. I sent the one to the vicar 10 Jany to his house & from that day to this 14 March 1897 have either of these managers offered a word of sympathy to me in my delicate position. The Revd W J Courtney got 3£ for his house and I and my 35 years work at the school could go

7 Jany 1896 My last visit to school as manager

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1863 Ap 25 Appointed treasurer Austwick Penny Bank
1873 June 28 Resigned treasurer Penny Bank
May 25 1869 Nominated & appointed Guardian of the Poor
1874 Appointed Way[?] warden
1876 Resigned office of Guardian of Poor
1872 April 3d Appointed Church warden
1873 Resigned Church warden
1873 Ap 13 pulled down [illeg]
1873 £1 May Meeting of Bishop Self & he arrives Sedbergh
1894 Parish meeting 1st Decr 4 Elected parish councillor
1895 Nov 11 Elected chairman of Austwick Parish Council
1896 Ap 15 Reelected chairman of Austwick Parish Council
1897 Apl 7 Reelected chairman of Parish Council
1898 Ap 15 Resigned office of chairman to Parish Council

Masonic

1863 Sep 8 Passed MM degree Lodge of Fortitude 281 Lancaster
1866 May 21 Passed into the Kendal Castle Chapter Royal Arch Masons No 129
1867 Nov 5 Joined Mark Lodge Cumberland Carlisle No 60
1868 Nov 15 Entd Jacques de Molay encampment Royal Knight Templars
Liverpool
1895 Decr 4-11 Leeds Assises
My last call as Special Juror to Leeds Assises Cost me £3. 8. 5 bought abysinian gold ring

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Austwick Church Jubilee Windows 1887

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Subscriptions | 136. 1. 8 ½ | L[illeg] & Westlakes |
| Interest Penny Bank | 0. 16 5 | bill windows 133. 16. 0 |
| | 136. 18. 1 ½ | Holmes measuring 0. 5. 0 |
| Audited & found correct 12 Sep 1887 | | Lambert Printg 0. 3. 6 |
| Chris Ingleby £136. 18. 1 ½ | | Postage 0. 2. 6 |
| | | Balance 2. 11. ½ |
| | | £136. 18. ½ |

Annies memorial window started by vicar but I had to pay more than half rather than it shd fall through

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| By subscription | 33. 7. 10 | Messs Laws[?] & Westlake for |
| interest bank | 0. 3. 7 | three light memorial window and |
| | 33. 11. 5 | carriage and fixing 68. 0. 0 |
| Patterns printg & postage | 0. 15. 0 | See family Bible in Dining room |
| | 32. 16. 5 | newspaper account of opening or |
| by T R Clapham | 35. 3. 7 | dedication service \$19 July 1889 |
| | £68. 0. 0 | £68. 0. 0 |

1892 Removed font in Autwick Church and cemented floor fitted seats round & formed it into a Baptistry work done by Atkinson Ingleton paid by T R Clapham total cost £6. 18. 6

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Kitchen range Austwick Hall

1857 April A new range consisting of [illeg] boiler with automatic feed trough and double oven was bought of Harvey and Greenwood Settle £14. 10. 0 This was set up by Thomas Perkin Settle 18 Ap 1857 new oven to above Ap 1878 & new boiler do 1894 Another range from Mr Thos Harvey Harvey Settle (same firm as last) put up to replace the old one which was fairly used up (it had new [illeg] boiler and bottom oven renewed) This was set up Oct 3d to 5h by a man named Evans working for Winskill who appeared to be a capable man & took great pains with the work. Total cost Harvey 14. 11. 6

Did not do: too extravagant in coal so decided to have it out & put in a similar range to the one I put into Back House last Spring Winskill 3. 14. 6
18. 6. 0
cement &c 6.
£18. 12. 0

1895 Oct 3-5 Took out the above & put in Eagle Close range Harvey for Range Winskill setting Austwick Hall

1894 Sept 24 Levelled up from a new bench mark made last year at garden corner of Townhead House

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1 st level 7 F 4 ½ in | 2d level 11F 3 ¾ in | { 9. 11 ¼ |
| 0 3 | 1 4 ½ | { 7. 1 ½ |
| dif 7 1 ½ | dif 9 11 ½ | 17. 0 ¾ total dif |

BM = 530. 6
differences 17. 0 ¾
AH = 547. 6 ¾ hall floor

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Dubbing for shooting boots

| | |
|----------------|-------|
| Tallow 4 ½ lb | 1s 6d |
| Best beeswax 1 | 2. 4 |
| Norway tar 0 ½ | 0. 2 |
| 6lb | 4. 0 |

last lot 1880 (made up 3 Aug 1889)

Austwick Burial Ground 1894

Begun 4 Decr 1893 Consecrated 23 May 1894

T R Clapham contributions besides making all plans and laying out ground; measuring &c 32. 2. 1

By amt of Vol[?] Rate£12 17s 4d

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| 18 roods walling stone | 14 16 0 |
| Stone for road | 0 19 0 |
| Shrubs for Ground | 3 9 9 |
| | 32 2 1 |

Faculty for 2 graves 4. 4. 0

£36. 6. 1

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Austwick Post Office opened 30 March 1884 through the influence of T. R. Clapham,

and fitted up at his own cost £7. 13. 0
 1894 Oct 17th opened as a Telegraph office
 1899 July 7th 1899 New Post Office opened
 1899 Nov 10 Evening delivery & 7am dispatch estabd
 „ „ Dispatch 7am
 1902 June 29 First Sunday delivery at Austwick
 1903 Aug 11 I got first 6d order issued from Austwick Post office
 1881 Feb 7h Wm Hird began duty as Postman
 1909 July 14h Wm Hird resigned after 28 years 5m faithful service

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Low shoes Oxfords [illeg] June 1879 17/6 Mark on tongue front
 Balmorals Sunday C Tennant 23 May 1880 30/- u
 Strong walking boots plated 14 May 1880 28/- v
 do do similar pair 10 June 1880 28/- vv
 Shooting Boots same pattern as old pr T Swale 9 Mar 1881 21/- vvv
 Strong walking boots T Swale own last 22 Mar 1883 o
 “K” shoes Howson Church St Lancaster 18 July 1884 12/6
 “K” boots Do 2 pairs 17/- each pair 23 March 1885
 Sunday boots strong Stewart Lord St Southport 18/- 2d Feb 1888
 Sunday boots strong Kirkbright Austwick 20/- 14 May 1889
 Low shoes strong Do Do 13 July 1889
 New strong walking boots Tennant Lancaster 28/6 17 July 1890
 Strong low shoes Tennant Lancaster 22/- 17 July 1890
 Sunday boots Kirkbright Austwick 30 May 1891
 Strong shooting or walking boots Kirkbright 26 Sept 1891
 Strong shooting or walking boots Kirkbright 19 Nov 1892
 2 pair strong stout walking boots 7 Mar 1894
 Strong shooting boots porpoise hide Capstick Lancaster 18/9 3 Nov 1902

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Distances from Austwick Hall

Laneside 2 ¼
 Stoops 3 ¾
 Dry[?] Ghill[?] meeting[?] place 5
 Bowland Knot road top 6 ¼
 Bowland Knotts 6 ½
 Great Harlow Hill via shortest ways }
 Stoops up middle moor } 7 ¼
 Cross Streets 1
 Lawkland Hall 2 ½
 Clapham 2 ¼ Station 3 ¼ - ½
 Helwith Bridge 3 ¼
 Horton 5
 New Inn 5 ¼
 Shooting hut 8 ¼
 Settle town hall 5 1/8
 Ingleton 6 ½

Weathercote 10 $\frac{3}{4}$
Dr over Inglebro 6 $\frac{1}{6}$
AH to X streets 1466 yds direct

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Points seen from Austwick Hall Sight distances

Pendle Hill 17 miles
Black Hill 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
[illeg] 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Bowland Knots 5 $\frac{3}{4}$
Great Harlow 6 $\frac{3}{4}$
Standard [illeg] 5 $\frac{1}{4}$
[illeg] [illeg] 17 $\frac{1}{4}$
Cross Streets 1446 yards

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Nidification of Birds

1890 Thrushes nest Avenue 30 ap = 3 eggs destroyed by cat
Hedge sparrow near bath house 3 May = 3 eggs 4 May 4 eggs; 15h young birds 11 day
Thrush avenue 29 Ap = 5 eggs – destroyed by cat
Thrush top of Avenue holly 7 May = 3 eggs 8 May 4 eggs hatched 22 May 14 days
Blackbird bathhouse 7 May = 4 eggs forgot the nest till too late
Sund 25 May willow wren near observatory 4 eggs; 8 June hatched 2 young & 3 eggs 14 days
Sun 25 Green Linnet Irish yew 3 Mond 4 eggs hatched 2 young Mon 9 June = 15 [days]
Wed 28 Robin laurel above Cannon[?] 6 eggs hatched 7 or 8 June 11 [days]
Swallows arrive about 21 April a mean[?] of 28 years Generally begin to congregate AH about 7 Sept, bulk of them gone by 16h to 21s A few stragglers left to 1st week in Oct. See below

| arrival 1 st | Last seen |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| 1872 Apl 17 | Sept 29 |
| 1873 Apl 15 | Sept 27 |
| 1874 Apl 23 | — |
| 1875 Apl 19 | Oct 3d |
| 1876 Apl 26 | Oct 12 |
| 1877 May 1 | Oct 5 |
| 1878 Ap 21 | |
| 1879 Ap 29 | Oct 5 |
| 1880 Ap 30 | Oct 19 |
| 1882 Ap 21 | |
| 1883 May 1 | Oct 7 |
| 1884 Apl 20 | Oct 6 |
| 1891 Apl 27 | Oct 7 |
| 1892 Ap 24 | Oct 7 |
| 1893 Ap 15 | Oct 2 |
| 1894 Apl 18 | Sep 28 |

1895 Ap 11 Sept 19
1896 Ap 18 Sep 24
1897 Ap 21 Sep 20
1898 Ap 19 Oct 6
1899 Apl 21 Sep 22
1900 Ap 18 Sept 28
1901 Ap 19 Sept 24
1902 Ap 15 Sept 24
1903 Ap 27 Sept 16
1904 Ap 13 Sept 23
1905 Ap 27 Oct 2
1906 Ap 16

This gives a mean for 28 years as follows

21 Apl arrl 30 Sept dept
1907 Ap 23 Sep 30th = assembly 8 & 9 Sept
1908 Ap 29 Sept 27th
1909 Apl 15

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Weekly Yorkshire Post January 1904
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Edwd 1st 1272-1307 Peel or Pele Towers
King Edward 3d 1327-1377 Q. Elizabeth 1558 to 1603
[cuttings]

They appear to date from 1290 & 1350

C. C. Hodges 3/10.91

See an article by him in the Reliquary for Jany 1891 pub Bemrose & Son [illeg]

I went with [illeg] Geldard Solicitor Settle to wind up Sam Claphams in Paris directly after the suicide TRC

Saml Clapham committed suicide in Paris in 1867 I think I went to Paris with his employer to clear up his affairs TR Clapham

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The northern Peels were more of small castles having to withstand greater forces than would reach Craven

G Waddington Whitby 10 May 1890

Clapdale Castle built temp John vide Whitaker Richmond John reigned 1199-1215 AD from this it is not unreasonable to suppose that Austwick Hall was built about the same date

Oustewcke Owstewycke Ewstwicke Oustwick of Domesday

Austwick Hall cited by Whitaker 1573 AD

13h year of Edward the second (AD 1320) the whole of the Wapentake of Ewcross was burnt by the Scotts

Curious signs on the Bridge at Kirkby Lonsdale Copd 23 Aug 1899 Similar marks on Ebb & Flow well near Settle. See below

Ebbing & flowing well Giggleswick (from photo Ap 1907)

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A list of oil paintings in Dining Room, Austwick Hall
Paintings by Joshua Horner 7 Bond Street Halifax

| | Painting | Frame | Total |
|--|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| Father's Portrait 30x24in 1851 x | 10. 10. 0 | 4. 4. 0 x | 14. 14. 0 |
| Own Portrait 36x28in Sept 1861 | 18. 18. 0 | 6. 6. 0 | 25. 4. 0 |
| My Sisters Portrait 30x24in | 10. 10. 0 | 4. 4. 0 | 14. 14. 0 |
| Large Game Piece 36x24 a present from Annie 1861-2 | 25. 0. 0 | 3. 10. 0 | 28. 10. 0 |
| Austwick Hall from S 23x17 Jany 1862 a present from JH | | 2. 10. 0 | 2. 10. 0 |
| Brace of Grouse 20x14 ½ Oct 1869 | 8. 0. 0 | 2. 15. 0 | 10. 15. 0 |
| Austwick Hall from SW 23x16 Decr 1871 | 8. 8. 0 | 2. 7. 0 | 10. 15. 0 |
| Sketch Blackcock abt Oct 1871 present JH | 0. 0. 0 | 0. 12. 0 | 0. 12. 0 |
| The Twelfth Augt "Sam" & "Ben" 26 ½x 19 ½ Aug 1874 | 7. 7. 0 | 2. 15. 0 | 10. 2. 0 |
| "London Street" Horton Moor 19x10 Jany 1876 | 3. 3. 0 | 1. 0. 0 | 4. 3. 0 |
| "Rome" 2 watercolours June 1876 | 5. 0. 0 | 4. 8. 0 | 9. 8. 0 |
| "Midnight Sun" Boda Oct 1876 | present | | |
| Sketch Gordon Setter pups head Oct 1871 | present | | |
| Grey mare "Fanny" May 1878 | 5. 0. 0 | 1. 0. 0 | 6. 0. 0 |
| Sketch Fox cub from death 1862 | present | | |
| Sketch Pheasant Nov 1874 | present | | |
| Sketch Wild Duck Decr 1874 | present | | |
| | £ 101. 16. 0 | 35. 11. 0 | 137. 7. 0 |

card over

x The pr[ese]nt frame an Italian carved one was given to me by Mr Horner as a wedding present May 1877

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| Brought forward | Paintings | Frames | Total |
|--|-------------|------------|------------|
| | £101. 16. 0 | £35. 11. 0 | £137. 7. 0 |
| Sketch Scotch Bullock 12 Decr 1879 | present | | |
| „ Gordon Detter Belt[?] Nov 1880 | Do | | |
| „ Woodcock 11-29 Nov 1880 | Do | | |
| The last two were in hand the same time and last painted by JH at Austwick Hall, his last visit to AH was 11-29 July 1881 died 28 Sep 1881 Aet 70y 3 weeks | | | |
| | £101. 16. 0 | £35. 11. 0 | £137. 7. 0 |
| Ship "British Navy" Saml Walters 42inx28 Oct 1871 | 18. 18. 0 | 0. 0. 0 | 18. 18. 0 |
| "City of Brussels" Do Do 1873 | 4. 4. 0 | 1. 12. 6 | 5. 16. 6 |

| | | | |
|--|-----------|----------|-----------|
| | 23. 2. 0 | 1. 12. 6 | 24. 14. 6 |
| “Sal” and “Bob” Brown Lancaster Jan 1861 | 5. 0. 0 | 1. 10. 0 | 6. 10. 0 |
| Two Woodcocks Do Do Ap 1867 | 2. 10. 0 | 1. 0. 0 | 3. 10. 0 |
| | £7. 10. 0 | 2. 10. 0 | 10. 0. 0 |
| Copy of Van Dyk’s Dead Christ H Mayer[?] Antwerp | | | 8. 9. 0 |

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| | | | |
|--|---|----|-----------|
| [illeg] [illeg] Overcoats | £ | s | d |
| 3.14 Holland Bradford 7.7.1890 = | N | to | 0 |
| 3.14 Miller Liverpool 4.1.1895 = | C | e | 1 |
| 4.14 Holland Bradford 16.4.1900= | N | to | 0 |
| Long wrapper C[illeg] Clapham 5.1.1899 | C | 0 | 0 |
| Do Do Camm Austwick 8.8.1902 t | | to | 0 |
| 5.14 Winter overcoat Baker 17.12.1904 | C | te | 0 |
| 6.7 Long Brown Hood Coat Hardwick Leeds 18.12.1879 | | | |
| | g | tg | Onett |
| 2.13 Light Brown C[illeg] coat Baker 8.6.1903 | | | |
| | t | tr | l |
| 4.3 Brown overcoat Baker (28) 28.11.1906 | | | |
| | i | n | l (i.n.l) |

Coaching days

1775 May 9h First coach from London to Kings Arms Kendal, twice a week, drawn by six horses and called The Flying machine Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday 11am carry 3 inside passengers Kendal to London £3. 0. 0 Preston to London £2. 10. 0 Lancaster to Do 2. 15. 0 Wigan to Do 2. 8. 0 outsiders and children on lap half price. Each inside passenger to be allowed 20lbs of luggage. Outsiders 10lbs all above this to pay 4d per lb from Kendal to London. Short passengers 3 ½ d a mile Kendal to London in 3 days via Kirkby Lonsdale Settle Keighly Skipton Halifax Hadington[?] Pennington, Sheffield, Chesterfield Mansfield Nottingham, Leicester
A Diligence[?] sets out from Mr Pettys Kings Arms Kendal on Wednesday 20 June 1781 at 4am and will continue to go every Monday Wednesday and Friday; rest first night at White Lion Halifax where seats are reserved certain in a genteel post coach which sets out next morning at 3am and arrives at Bull and Mouth[?] Inn Bone Street London every Monday Wednesday and Friday 7pm Inside Kendal to London £2. 8. 6 Inside Kendal to Halifax £0. 17. 0 outside do do do 1. 10. 0 Outside Do Do 0. 9. 0

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Horses bot by TR Clapham

Grey mare “Fanny” bot of John Hodgson farmer Feizor 1858 April 26th for £28 foaled May 1854 died ap 25 1882 aged 28 years drove her [gap] years.

1889 Sep 18

Bay Col “Bessie” bot at John Hodgsons sale Feizor on 17 Sep 1889, aged 6 years foaled spring 1883 bot for me by Archibald Thistlethwaite for 24. 15. 0

pd Archd Thistle Commission 0. 10. 0

25. 5. 0

Sept 18 1889 Sold Bobby to Archd Thistlethwaite 6. 0. 0

19. 5. 0

| | |
|---|------------|
| Gave my man commission selling Bobby | 6. 0 |
| Nett price of Bessie | £19. 11. 0 |
| 1890 Apl 4 sold Bessie to Richd Whitfield | 26. 10. 0 |
| gave Henry Shephard commis | 10. 0 |
| Nett price recd | £26. 0. 0 |
| This pony shied & was unsafe for my wife to drive | |
| 1892 June 5 sold Norwich Car to Mrs Dowing[?] Bridge Inn Ingleton for £12 & let cart to John Wildman 2. 10. 0 | |

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[drawing]

Furniture Gillow Lancaster

| | | | | |
|------|---|----|----|---|
| 1865 | New oak dining table md by Gillow oak grown at Austwick Hall made 1865 | £ | s | d |
| | | 22 | 0 | 6 |
| 1869 | Nov oak writing table Bell & Copeland Lancaster | 12 | 12 | 0 |
| 1870 | May New oak dining room chairs Bell & Copeland Lancaster | 13 | 16 | 0 |
| 1871 | Sept New large oak easy chair dining room Bell & Copeland Lancaster | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| 1876 | Dec oak couch dining room Bell & Copeland Lancaster | 9 | 9 | 0 |
| 1877 | Ap New birch wardrobe for wife Mansergh Lancaster | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| 1877 | Ap New brass bedstead Mansergh Lancaster | 14 | 10 | 0 |
| 1881 | Jan 21 Large oak easy chair Dining room from wood grown at Austwick Hall felled Nov 1862 made Jan 1881 Gillows Lancaster | 8 | 10 | 0 |
| 1880 | Large walnut armchair draw room ww[d] grown at AH felled 1863 m 1875 Bot from Mr Walker Clapham Feb 1880 R Atkins Clapham | 2 | 0 | 0 |

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From Clapham Register from John Foster Esq 3 Feb 1900 Clapham Family marriages 1787

Thomas Clapham of this parish gentleman and Catherine Rawsthorne of the Parish of Giggleswick and county of York spinster were married in this church by license this third day of September one thousand and seven hundred and eighty seven by me Willm Curre vicar (died 11 Nov 1803 Aet 87

This marriage was solemnised between us { Thos Clapham Catherine Rawsthorne in the presence of Jas Foster Robt Metcalfe

John Clapham yeoman and Hellina Jackson of Wharfe spinster mar: 13 Feb 1728 at Clapham

The above was supplied to me by John Foster Esq Horton in Ribblesdale 3 Feb 1900

Richard & Ann Hanson Feizor 21-2-1901

1. Ann Hanson Feizor }

2. Mrs Robt Bowker Clapham } 4 d mar R Clapham sisters
 3. Mrs Robt Willis Clapdale } d. Lydia mard Tho Chapman
 4. Mrs Dugdale Clapham }
 1 mard Richd Hanson daughter Isabella mard Rich Clapham

Bras[s] tablet exact copy

In memory of Thos Rich Clapham FRAS

Austwick Hall

Born 1837

died

For 35 years a manager of the Austwick School

In which he took a deep interest

Size of Plate 18in x 12 123 letters in old English ordered 29 Nov 1898 Recd 4 Mar

1899 [illeg] Johnson engraving £i. s o Leeds

Thomas Clapham of Stackhouse

Bapt 1791 July 25 Thomas son of John Clapham vicar of Giggleswick by Mary his wife daugr of William Bateman of Middleshaw in old Hutton near Kendal. The above died 9 Jany 1846 at Stackhouse buried at Kirkby Malham aged 54 years 6 months

His Will

“Thomas Clapham of Stackhouse near Settle by will bearing date 2d Jany 1846 proved 23 March 1846 I give and devise all my estates lands tenements situate within the Parish of Clapham and such part of my estate called Butterfield Gap as is situated within the parish of Giggleswick unto Richard Clapham of Feizor gentleman for his life with the remainder on the determination of his estate in his life time to my Executors and administrators herein after limited but to permit him to receive the rents and profits with remainders to the first son of the said Richard Clapham in tail[?] [illeg]”

Richard Clapham died at Austwick Hall 20 Oct 1856 Aet 65 ½ years

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Clapham de Feizor

Richard Clapham died 19 June 1799 Thos Clapham d. 30 June 1818 owned the Estate 19 years 5m Thos Clapham d 30 June 1818 Richd Clapham d 20 Oct 1856 38 years 4 mo Richard Clapham d 20 Oct 1856 Ann Clapham (Peters) d. 18 Jany 1889 32 years 3mo 18 Jany AC d (AP) 3 years 6 ½ 2 Aug 1892

J P d 2 Aug 1892 J P d

Thos Clapham Stackhouse 9 Jany 1846 Richd Clapham d 20 Oct 1856 at A Hall 9 years 4 months at Austwick Hall 10 years 9 ½ mo Richd Clapham d 20 Oct 1856

Army Commissions Clapham family

Charles Marquis of Rockingham to Richard Clapham Esq Feizor to be ensign in the City of York Militia Regiment of which Wm Thornton is commander and Jonas Morley is Captain dated 10 Apl 1759 (aet 43)

Richard Hawkshaw Lossack Esq Lieut General & Commander in Chief of the Leeward Ch[illeg] Islands to James Rawsthorne Gent to be ensign in the Militia regiment of & not commonly called the white regiment John Brook Esq Colonel Date of Commission 16 Oct 1770

William Thos Spencer Earl Fitzwilliam Lord Lieut West Riding of the County of York to Thomas Richard Clapham Gentleman to be Lieutenant in the 15 West Riding of Yorkshire volunteers Geo Robinson Esq Lieut Colonel date of Commission 28 Feb 1867

My highest land = Inn Moor Feizor 1113 feet lowest do bottom of Beck House field
[blank] feet

King and Ingleby family

1904 Ap 18 John Ingleby came to my house this afternoon and talking over the King family he gave me the following information. John Abbotson Ingleby of Lawkland Hall, and Wm King of Austwick Hall were farmers and each sent 50 bullocks to a man named Ladlow in severly[?] [illeg] this [illeg] waite of Austwick drove them all the way and it took him 3 weeks to get them to their destination. The drover often slept all night with them when he found a good grassy lane. Previous to departure they all met on the Austwick green for the purpose of delivering the stock (JI) The geen presented the aspect of a fair and was an occasion for general gathering in the village

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From Robt Wilson Townhead Sund Apl 2d 1876

Austwick Hall belonged to a man named Hargraves same family as those at Stockdal[?] was bought by Wm King who made his money by farming & cattle dealing. Austwick Hall was altered by Wm King to its present form (interior only) about 1819 or 1820. The work was done by Wilson Homes of Kirkby Lonsdale

Wm King { John 1 and William 2

{ Agnes & Mary

John King 1 married a daughter of Wm Bank who lived opposite Cross (Capstick here now) daughter taught school at Town Head issue 2 sons one went to be a [illeg] the other sent away ([illeg])

William King married the daughter of a man named Taylor who carried on or who was connected with Wharfe Cotton Mill (a poor lot)

issue – Ann King (Mrs Byers); her mother lived where Margt Swale lives [illeg] opposite cross (Mrs Byer's house) when Wm Willis married her 2d time

John & Wm King both died from excesses; John the elder brother took Lawn[?] Farm near Hornby and was connected[?] with coaching was imposed upon and having no [illeg] soon squandered away his estates both he & his brother died at comparatively early age. The Revd John Clapham of Stackhouse bought Austwick Hall Estate at a public sale held at Lion Hotel Settle 18 Thos Redmayne of Taitlands wanted it but was just too late for the sale. Thomas the only son of Revd John Clapham by will 1846 bequeathed it and

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Austwick Hall Estate, Wood End Estate, Butterfield Gap, High Birks & property at Feizor to Rich Clapham of Feizor (my father) for his life, at his death to descend to Thos Richd his only son, he died Oct 20 1856 I came of age Oct 23 1858 and by a legal process with Messrs Geo & William Hartley Solicitors Settle (my Guardians) cut off the entail within a few weeks of my coming of age (TRC)

In January 1875 I sold High Birks to Mr Farrer of Clapham for £2850 & in same month purchased land at Austwick from John Ingleby who had got into a fix with greyhound coursing & betting & Norber Pasture bought in sale of Jno Morphet of Studfold. In August 1876 I sold Butterfield Gap estate – after rebuilding farm buildings draining meadows &c the farm was then looking at its best being a good summer & I tried it with a reserve let it go for £4500 to Mr Slater of Cononly old Hall invested in MS&L debentures & Midland ordinary stock

2 May 1901 from John Ingleby propd water scheme at Austwick 1901 – Not[e] this (I had not heard of this till today, TRC) A scheme for supplying the village of Austwick with water from Norber. The spring a little to the west of Nappa Scar was purchased by the Settle District Council from the owner Mr Jackson grandson of lawyer Jackson of Settle for £250. This stream runs through 3 fields belonging to John Ingleby and supplies water to some 64 acres of my own land. It became necessary for me to acquaint the district council of this by letter and I had an interview with Mr C Bygrave their clerk who gave me to understand tha troughs and service pipes would be supplied by the Council where necessary. On Thursday the 2d May 1901 I saw John Ingleby and asked him also to write to the District Council for his own protection which he said he would. In the course of our conversation he informed me that his uncle Charles Ingleby or his grandfather Columbus bought the pasture which runs north of Four lane ends with the fields adjoining Norber. The Springs (two) which rise in Mt Jacksons land adjoining originally flowed down into Whitbeck but that Mr Charles or Columbus Ingleby paid Mr Jacksons predecessor a sum of money to take the stream down his field to a point at four lane ends. It then went through several fields belonging to the late Rev John Clapham who bought the Austwick Hall Estate. Mr Charles Ingleby made no charge to Mr Clapham for this priviledge but Mr Clapham & his successors by agreement were to keep clear the course of the stream through Mr Inglebys land. This I have always done signed TR Clapham

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[sketch]

Sketch made June 1865 shewing positions of old windows at Austwick Hall when devoid of [illeg] cast previous to being cemented. Cemented west side Ap 1864 £30 Cemented front side June 1865 £42 The work was done by John Slinger and his sons Bentham

Austwick Hall was altered to its present form about the year 1819 or 1820 vide preceding page. Robt Wilson Dearbought

Austwick Hall 30 Jany 1896

Drawing Room 20.9 x 18 x 9.7

Dining Room 17.4 x 17.5 x 10.0

Hall 23 x 18.1 x 10ft x

Note the curious old chimney in old home at Feizor was put up by one “Christ Taylor with whom Jas Radcliffe Senior was apprentice. This information was given to me by his grandson Jas Radcliffe 21 Mar 1900. The 3 generations of Radcliffes have worked for me. The last job old Jim did was the wall between Ley and Greygarth but he did not live to finish it. It was finished by his son Thos Radcliffe & his grandson Jas R

[sketch of drains]

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[Photo of AH]

Battle Hill Austwick

1892 June 25 Had a conversation with old Mrs Robt Ingleby of Austwick (87) about the origin of the statement that a battle was fought at Austwick. She said it was in the time of the Wars of the Roses (Edward IV 1461 – 1483) a battle was fought Austwick the invaders came north after the battle of Preston pans and that her great great 1, 2, 3, 4? grandmother was laid ill at Hobsgate & all the people fled to Norber leaving

everything behind. She thinks it was then that the “piggin” [?] or brass bound tub[?] was buried in the field near Crummack afterwards found when drawing this was [illeg] bickett contained a quantity of gold coin evidently placed there for a place of safety to be afterwards recovered

Sizes of rooms at old home Feizor

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Parlour 16. 3 x 14. 8 | Fathers room 12. 1 x 9. 0 |
| House 16. 4 x 17. 4 | Green room 16. 2 x 10. 6 |
| Kitchen 20. 0 x 16. 6 | Servants room 10. 5 x 8. 9 |
| Mothers bedroom 16. 9 x 15. 2 | Settle 4. 7 ½ |
| Office room 17. 4 x 12. 2 | |

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Greasbro

1876 Jany 29 Went to Leeds and Sheffield Sat Sunday 30 at Sheffield bad cold Parish Church Mon 31 Went to Greasbro Mr Byers my first visit there to Feb 1 Greasbro then went to Goldthorpe same day

1876 Sep 16 Sat arrd Greasbro 17 at Greasbro 18 left for Worksop

1877 Jany 5th Frid went to Greasbro \$7h Rotherham Church Evg SFB 9h Tuesday Hooker[?] Stand SFB 10h left Greasbro arrd Liverpool 27 went to Chesterfield west House

1877 May 9 Wednesday St Marys Greasbro 11am TRC 39y 6m 10d SFB 26y 9m 0d

1870 1 jany Margt Shuttleworth came to live with us as housekeeper prior to my sisters marriage

1877 Sept 6 Margt Shuttleworth my old faithful servant left me (after a continuous service of 7 years 8 months & 6 days) after my marriage; but often came back to us as an occasional help when away from home or without cook always proving a valuable help.

Hanson Feizor

Ann Hanson died at Feizor 25 Decr 1866 aged 85

Richard Hanson , at Austwick Hall 1 May 1867 aged 85

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Ann Clapham 1834 July 7

Wm Byers 1820 April 28

Ann Byers 1828 Mar 16h

Sarah Byers 1850 Aug 9h

Margt Byers 1852 Nov 16

Constance Byers 1858 Jany 9

Fred Wm Byers 1856 Jany 24

Herbert Byers 1860 Sep 17

Ingleby Mary 1805 Mar

Ingleby John 1829 Sep 22

Ingleby Chris 1824 Mar 27}

died 1 Nov 1889 }

Ingleby Arthur 9 Dec 1852

came to Austwick Nov 1895

Ingleby Robt ??

Metcalf Wm 1814 Oct 25

Margt Jefferson

Rigby Robt 1838 Aug 5h

Rigby Jonn 1842

Mr Kelbrick[?] Bell 1856 Decr 16

Prowse Alf 1849 Oct 30

Haythornthwaite Eliz Sen 1822 Oct 5

died 24 Jany 1895 at 8am aet 72y 3 ½ mo

Haythte S Jan 1855 Jun 12 mar 31 Aug 1889

Will do 1817 Jun 10

Eliz do Haythte 1856 Aug 29

Metcalf John Field[?] 1858 June 23

Shepherd Henry 1841 Nov 9 = P. Wales marrd

19 June 1872

Capstick Jas 1841 Nov 27h

Foster old Jack 5 Ap 1806

Wilman Agnes 31 Decr 1815 “old nanny” (see

Metcalfe James 1827 Mar 20
 Horner Joshua 1811 Oct 22
 Hartley John 1832 Aug 18
 Foster J W 1812 July 16
 Farrar Annie 1839 Feb 10
 John Bridson jun 1837 Oct 23
 Bridson Clara Ap 27
 Bridson Ed 1839 Aug 10
 Baxendel Jos 1869 27 Decr

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 Watkins Bernd R 30 June
 Farrer Jas 24 July
 B[illeg] 29 Nov 1848
 Ingleby Marsh Lawkland Hall died 21 Dec 1894
 = 67
 Capstick old Tom 14 Decr 1806
 Radcliffe Jas 8 Sept 1842
 Willis John Jaques 1816 Sept 28
 Wooler Betty 1816 Oct 6h
 Wooler Jackey 1841 10 March

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| | SF Clapham | Richard Clapham | Annie (sister) |
|--------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1877 20 June | 10s 0lb 8oz | 7m7d 1. 6. 12 | 1877 Jany 19 7. 10. 0 |
| 16 Oct | 10. 2. 8 | 1. 8. 12 | 1885 Mar 16 7. 12. 14 |
| 1878 Jany 19 | 9 13. 4 | 1880 Mar 2.1.4 | Annie Catherine Clapham |
| June 6 | 10. 1. 4 | 82 Aug 2.10.12 | 1888 Aug 15 0. 19. 0 |
| Oct 11 | 9. 8. 12 | 1884 13 May 3.2.4 | 1889 May 9 0. 26. 0 |
| 1879 July 17 | 9. 1. 8 | „ 20 Sep 3.4.4 | 1890 Ap 8 0. 32. 0 |
| Aug 20 | 9. 5. 0 | 3. 4. 10 | Aug 12 0. 34. 0 |
| 1880 Mar 2 | 9. 9. 5 | 1 Nov 3.4.8 | 1891 Decr 14 2. 12. 10 |
| 1881 May 30 | 9. 2. 2 | 1885 July 28 3.7.8 | 1893 Ap 6 3. 4. 8 |
| 1882 Aug 31 | 9. 10. 10 | 18 Sep 3.8.10 | Oct 18 3. 9. 2 |
| 1885 28 July | 9. 6. 0 | 1886 14 Nov 3.13.2 | 1894 Ap 7 3. 9. 14 |
| 17 Sep | 9. 9. 6 | 1888 14 July 4.5.10 | 1895 Nov 9 4. 2. 12 |
| 1886 10 July | 9. 6. 4 | Decr 15 4.6.0 | 1896 Aug 12 4. 5. 10 |
| 1887 Ap 28 | 9. 9. 0 | 1889 Ap 26 4.10.4 | 1897 Feb 23 4. 10. 0 |
| 1888 Aug 7 | 9. 12. 0 | 1891 Aug 6 5.10.8 | Mar 18 5. 0. 0 |
| 1889 Aug 22 | 9. 9. 8 | 1894 May 1 7.10.0 | 1898 July 19 5. 8. 2 |
| 1890 Oct 7 | 9. 12. 0 | 1896 Aug 12 9. 12. 10 | 1899 Mar 16 5. 10. 14 |
| 1891 Decr 14 | 10. 0. 0 | | |
| 1893 May 9 | 10. 1. 12 | | |
| 1894 July 28 | 10. 5. 2 | | |
| 1895 Mar 22 | 10. 6. 2 | | |
| 1896 Aug 12 | 10. 0. 12 | | |
| 1898 July 19 | 10. 1. 2 | | |

21 Apl 1893 Copied from Fathers office door at Feizor by J Wilman 21 April 1893

| Ann | ft | inches |
|----------------------------|----|--------|
| 1847 Jan 2d | 4 | 6 ½ |
| 1846 July 21 st | 4 | 5 3/8 |
| 1846 Jan 7 2d | 4 | 4 1/8 |
| 1845 June 28 th | 4 | 3 ¾ |
| 1845 Jany 3d | 4 | 2 7/8 |
| 1844 July 18 | 4 | 2 |

| Thomas | | |
|--------------|---|------|
| 1847 Jany 2d | 3 | 10 ¼ |

| | | |
|---------------------------|---|-------|
| 1846 July 1 st | 3 | 10 ½ |
| 1846 Jany 2d | 3 | 8 7/8 |
| 1845 June 28 | 3 | 8 |
| 1845 Jany 3d | 3 | 7 ¼ |
| 1844 July 18 | 3 | 6 ¼ |

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Fosters Lawkland Hall

Tom Foster mard 1866

Wm Foster md 1874 Dec2 Miss M[illeg] Keighly

Bryan F 1875 Sep 7 Miss [illeg]

Alice F 1876 May 9 T F Metcalfe

John 1876 Aug 21 Ethel[?] Clarke

Copied from door of Fathers office at Feizor 14 Decr 1889 when I SF & children had a look over the old house Fathers measurements of Annie & I when children

TRC (1) 18 July 1844 3ft 6 ¼ (2) 2 Jany 1847 3ft 11 1/8

(1) = 6 years 9mo (2) = 9 years 3mo

Heights

Richard

Noel

Annie Catherine

1887 Oct 4ft 3 ¾ in

1887 Oct 3ft ¾ in

TRC 5ft 8 5/8 in

1884y 1m 3 6 ½

1886-5 2 10 1/8

SFC 5 5 ½

1885-3 3 10 ¼

1887-10 3 3 1/8

1886-5 3 11 ¾

1889-9 3 5 ¼

1887-10 4 3 ½

1890-4 3 8 ½

1888-9 4 4 ½

1889-9 4 5 ¾

1890-4 4 7

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Sundries note worthy

Feizor plan J Hartley Jany 1863 £3 3s 0d

Crest on Ensign 11/2 Aug 1863

Dress Suit 12 Nov 1863 Pease Lanc 5. 15. 0

Signal lamp Decr 1865 15/-

Cockfight[?] Bay Horse 15 Jany 1864

30ft ladder 24 July 1865 1£ J Bentham Ingleton

Knife hunting Rodgers 25/- 15 Sept 1865

Large portmanteau Bilton 5. 5. 0 May 1862

Plan Feizor J Hartley copy 3. 3. 0 1863 Feb 4

Fire proof deed chest 7. 10. 0 H & G Settle 1863 Aug 18

2 iron posts & front gate 4. 3. 0 gate 1864 Feb 2

Gold Hunting case watch [illeg] 10. 4. 0 May 9 1864

Yacht Signals 2. 15. 6 Lpl 1866 Feb 17

Model Schooner Capt Atkinson 2. 0. 0 1867 Jan 23

Solid Portmanteau Bilton 2. 15. 0 1867

Pith helmet hat 16/- 1871 June 17

Case for curios Hall 1. 17. 0 1872 July 16
 at Arncliffe 1872 Nov
 1878 May 31 Sewing machine 6. 18. 9
 1879 Decr 18 Thick Ulster coat 6. 0. 0
 1880 Sept 29 Dead Christ H Mayer 8. 9. 0
 1880 Nov 12 New porch AH Harger 14. 14. 6
 1880 Decr 4 WC repaired Holmes new pan &c 6. 3. 9
 1882 Aug 8 work case Rhodes Brd 1. 8. 0
 1905 Sep New lawn mower Ransomes 5. 14. 6
 1885 May New overmantle &c Drawg room 24. 2. 6
 1882 July New catch cistern back AH 4. 17. 0

| | |
|--|-----------|
| Farrer JA | 120. 0. 0 |
| Farrer Mrs | 50. 0. 0 |
| Farrer Lord | 20. 0. 0 |
| Farrer J & E[?] | 20. 0. 0 |
| Farrer Sir Wm | 10. 0. 0 |
| Farrer H R[illeg] | 10. 0. 0 |
| Farrer H [illeg] | 5. 0. 0 |
| Farrer C[illeg] | 2. 0. 0 |
| Harrison Dr late | 1. 10. 0 |
| Willis J [illeg] | 50. 0. 0 |
| Williamson Mrs | 10. 0. 0 |
| Ward Mrs | 5. 0. 0 |
| Morrison W MP | 2. 2. 0 |
| Bateman J | 10. 0. 0 |
| Hartley J | 10. 0. 0 |
| Pend[illeg] Mrs | 1. 0. 0 |
| Lamb Revd B Oliver vicar | 25. 0. 0 |
| Fete at Inglebro | 99. 17. 7 |
| Bank Interest | 12. 13. 1 |
| | 464. 3. 6 |
| Clapham Thos Richd | 5. 0. 0 |
| Clapham Church restoration 1899 - 1900 | |

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Clapham Church

May 1898 Appeal from Revd B Lamb vicar of Clapham

It may interest the Parishoners of Clapham, and it may serve as a stimulus to their willing, united and liberal effort on behalf of the House of their God to know what a former generation of Clapham folk were bold enough to attempt and liberal enough to accomplish

The memorandum which follows is taken from the Church wardens account book and may be seen by any parishioner who desires to verify the statement. It is interesting to note how year upon year they subjected themselves to a substantial tax, and now, one and all churchmen and non conformists alike consented to deny themselves, so that with honest independence they might do, chiefly amongst themselves that to which

their sense of duty and religious feeling prompted them

Memorandum

In the year of our Lord 1812 the parish church of Clapham was taken down and rebuilt in the 3 following years at the sole expense of the parish which as near as could be computed cost £3134. 7. 4 ½ Messrs Bennet Dugdale Nicholson Standing & Co had the walling timbering plastering glazing &c for which they received £1379. 0. 0 Arthur Ingleby Esq of Clapdale Hall paid sixty ponds for his own part in NE corner of Clapham Church 60. 0. 0

To Mr Tate of Settle for flooring [illeg] paneling etc 784. 0. 0

To Mr Horner for extra work 74. 7. 0

Ground work sinking & walling together with Slates Slating

Altar floor and rails staircase & railing with other extra work 837. 0. 4 ½

Total expense of rebuilding the church £3134. 7. 4 ½

The Churchwardens accounts for these years of church building show the following entries under head of receipts

| | |
|---|---------------|
| 1812 Received by 4 church rates throughout the parish | 198. 4. 9 |
| 1813 Assessments and other R[illeg] | 1912. 4. 5 |
| 1814 Assessments | 740. 3 0 ½ |
| 1815 5 assessments throughout the parish | 248. 11. 4 |
| By money received for church lead | 281. 19. 3 |
| | £3381. 2. 9 ½ |

\$ 31 July 1898

Mr Lamb forgets to tell his parishioners that the church as built by a compulsory church rate levied by a non resident vicar which impost [sic] upon the parishioners would not be allowed now

T R Clapham

Present wants of the vicar

Resealing including raising floor at East end

Replacing of organ [illeg] of Chancel Screens and Chancel decorations new porch windows enriching with mullions & stone tracery. Estimate about £1200 cost of [illeg] work for immediate[?] execution Amt raised 464. 3. 6

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See [illeg] [illeg]

| Lodgings book | days | |
|--|------|----------------------|
| 1879 9 May to 20 June Devon Cornwall | 42 | |
| 1878 29 Jan 21 Mar ----- | 51 | |
| 1879 19 May 11 June Seascale & Lakes | 23 | |
| 1880 12 May 26 May Keswick &c | 14 | |
| 1881 2 Aug 1 Oct Portobello | 63 | |
| 1882 May to July ____ | 71 | |
| 1883 31 May 27 June Schwalback [illeg] | 38 | |
| 1884 18 June 10 July Whitby | 22 | |
| 1885 17 Aug 16 Sep Harrogate | 30 | |
| 1885 22 June 15 July Southsea 1 st visit | 24 | |
| 1885-6 30 Nov 15 Jan Southport WB death | 47 | |
| 1886 2 Jun 30 June Southport (1 st visit) | 28 | } |
| 1886 30 July 8 Oct Southsea | | } |
| let 9 weeks let AH 2 mo at 78s week | 71 | } 144 days from home |

| | | | | |
|---------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------|---|
| 1886-7 | 22 Nov 11 Jan | Edinbro C Nist | 51 | } |
| 1887 | 11 Jan 15 Apl | Southport | 94 | } |
| 1887 | 25 May 13 Jun | Ilkley & manch Ex | 19 | |
| 1887 | 21 July 5 Oct | Southsea 4 th visit | 76 | |
| 1887-8 | 20 Dec 3 Feb | southport 3d visit | 45 | |
| 1888-9 | 21 Decr 8 Mar | Southport 4 th visit | 78 | |
| 1889-90 | 20 Decr 20 Jany | Edinburgh | 32 | |
| 1890-91 | 23 Decr 19 Jany | Southport 5 th visit | 28 | |
| 1892 | 27 Feb 15 Mar | Southport 6 visit | 18 days | |

For continuation See book [illeg] [illeg] Lodgings Ledger for continuation and other matters

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Southsea

| | | |
|--------|-------------------------|---------|
| 1885 | 22 Jun 15 July | 24 days |
| 1885-6 | 30 Nov 15 Jany | 47 |
| 1886 | 30 July [illeg] October | 71 |
| 1887 | 21 July 5 Oct | 76 |

Where we spent our Xmas

| | | | |
|------|-----------|------|------|
| 1877 | Greasbro | 1894 | Home |
| 1878 | Greasbro | 1895 | Home |
| 1879 | Greasbro | 1896 | Home |
| 1880 | Greasbro | 1897 | Home |
| 1881 | Greasbro | 1898 | Home |
| 1882 | Greasbro | 1899 | Home |
| 1883 | Greasbro | 1900 | Home |
| 1884 | Home | 1901 | Home |
| 1885 | Southsea | 1902 | Home |
| 1886 | Edinbro | 1903 | Home |
| 1887 | Southport | 1904 | Home |
| 1888 | Southport | | |
| 1889 | Southport | | |
| 1890 | Southport | | |
| 1891 | Home | | |
| 1892 | Home | | |
| 1893 | Home | | |

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King Family

Agnes King died 17 Oct 1821 aged 19
Ann her sister 14 June 1847 35
Ann King mother of the above and relict of Wm King died 7 Aug 1848 80
Henry King son of Nanny King 24 Decr 1826 infant
Also of the aforesaid said[sic] Wm King died Feb 8 1831 23
Henry son of Wm & Ann King 26 Nov 1809 11
Henry King his brother 31 Mar 1818 8
Wm King father of above 16 Ap 1820 67
Thos King 26 June 1825 70
Elizabeth King 3 July 1830 27
Henry son of John & Eliz 24 Oct 1832 2
Also above John King 28 Sep 1835 34
Arthur Ingleby Liverpool son of Wm Ingleby who went wrong and was found by
John Ingleby [illeg] in an attic in Douglas Isle of Man from John Ingleby 3 May 97
[photograph] "William King 9th June 1823"
on a pane of glass in Kitchen window at Austwick Hall removed to make a vinery
when new sashes were put into Austwick Hall by TR Clapham May 1871 The above
was father of Ann 3 years, and grandfather of SF Clapham. Photographed 11 Apl
1904

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Richard Clapham son of Thomas Richard & Sarah Frances Clapham born at
Austwick Hall fri 13 Sep 1878 3.30am baptised 8 Oct 1878 at Clapham by Revd Wm
Byers Confirmed thur 26 March 1896 by Dr Pullen Bishop of Richmond
Noel Clapham born at Austwick Hall thurs 3d Apl 1884 11.45am baptised Sund 4
May at Austwick Ch David Adams vicar Confirmed
Annie Catherine Clapham born at 14 Bath Street Southport Wed 28 Decr 1887
2.15am baptised Wed 25 Jany 1888 St Andrews Southport Canon Cross vicar [illeg]
Confirmed

Clapham Commissions

Marquess of Rockingham to Richard Clapham Esq Feizor to be Ensign in City of
York Militia regt of which William Thornton is commander & Josias Morley Esq
Captain date of Commission 10 April 1759 (Aet 43)

Richd Hawkshaw Lossack Lieutt Gen and Commander in Chief of HM Leeward [illeg]
Islands to James Rawsthorne Gent to be ensign in Militia [illeg] of [illeg] commonly
called the White Militia Regiment John Brooke Esq is Coll dated Antigua 16 Oct
1770

Wm Thos Spencer Earl Fitzwilliam Lord Lieut of West Riding of the County of York
to Thos Richd Clapham Esq gent to be Lieutenant in the Fifteenth (15th) West Riding
of Yorkshire Rifle Volunteers Geo Robinson Esq Coll John Ingleby Captain dated 28
Feby 1867 (Aet 30)

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Some of my later walks onto Inglebro & back from home

| | 23 Oct 1905 | | 25 Oct 1906 | | 25 Oct 1907 | | 24 Oct 1908 | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|----|---------------------|-----|---------------------|-----|---------------------|----|
| | H | m | H | m | H | m | H | m |
| Left home | 8 | 7 | 9 | 7 ½ | 9 | 16 | 9 | 14 |
| Arrd Crummack | 8 | 40 | 9 | 44 | 9 | 55 | 9 | 53 |
| Allotment wall | 9 | 5 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 22 | 10 | 12 |
| Swinetail spring | 9 | 55 | 11 | 7 ½ | 11 | 22 | 11 | 22 |
| Arrd on top | 10 | 2 | 11 | 25 | 11 | 37x | 11 | 36 |
| Ard ordnance cairn | - | - | 11 | 30 | 11 | 37 | - | - |
| Left top | 10 | 19 | 11 | 49 | 12 | 4 | 11 | 58 |
| Ard Gaping Gill | 10 | 50 | 12 | 25 | 12 | 40 | 12 | 37 |
| Left Do | 10 | 58 | 12 | 37 | - | - | 1 | 6 |
| Green lane gate | - | - | 1 | 26 | - | - | - | - |
| Arrd home | 12 | 14 | 1 | 55 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 25 |
| Time of walk exclusive of stops | 4 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 10 |
| Birthday | AC & TRC 68 birthday | | TRC & Spot 69 bd | | TRC & Spot 70 bd | | TRC & Jack 71 bd | |

Tuesday 27 Oct 1908 measured with a pair of fine spring dividers on the one inch Ordnance map the distance approximately from Austwick Hall to the top of Inglebro by the above route. Tried it over three times with results Austwick Hall to top of Inglebro via Crummack & Allotment 4 ¾ miles Top of Inglebro to Austwick Hall via Gaping Ghyll & Green Lane 4 miles

Self & Noel Whernside & Inglebro 23 Oct 1902

My 65h birthday

Left Ingleton Station 10.33

Twistleton Hall 11.4

Top of Scar 0.0

Top of Whernside 1.12

Left Do 1.19

Ard Main road Chapel le Dale 2.22

Ard top Simon Fell. Noel left me 3.19

Hotel Swinetail 3.40

Top of Inglebro 3.55

Left top 4.0

Gaping Gill ard 4.34

Left do 4.43
Home 6.3

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A Prowse Contind

1905 W April 19th came with his daughter Peg. I met them at Lancaster and went with them to Morcambe and Heysham Dock after lunching ret'd to Morcambe by train & home 5.20 fair but cold 20th Fine and clear but cold NE wind. After breakft, Wharfe Lane, Feizor to Celtic Wall back to Feizor & home by road v. Cross Streets. After dinner to Clapham v Thwaite lane past home v fields

21 G F Prowse, Noel & I went to Clapham Ch. After dinner P & I walked to Lawkland Hall and home v. wardsgarth Crow nest & home by high road. 22 Sat left home 10.10 walked to Butterfield Gap and nearly to top of Black Hill, then across moor to Mr Watkins hut (old) lunched and home via Israel and Eldroth Chapel fine day on whole, but cold. 23 \$ Prowse Noel & I at Clapham Ch: afternoon Church army ran[?] mission no Church, do in Evening we all went to CA Service 24 Left home 10.15 Feizor v footpath then Settle Stainforth foss; then by main road to Horton [illeg] Douk Gyll strolled about Horton & home via footpath down Ribble & Wharfe Lane 25 Left home 11am Crummack Beggars style to spring below shooting hut lunched fine clear warm sun then down allotment wall to Gaping gill where we has a smoke then down Trowgill past cave, Clapdale (saw 1st swallow) down road to Clapham, post [?], and home v fields glorious day 26 Prowse & daugh left AH 12.35 for Settle to catch 1.46 train. Sorry to see them go. The weather has on the whole been fine but cold but we managed out every day & got a lot of fun out of our walks & Prowse thoroughly enjoyed himself as did Peg. Peggy Prowse aet 22 said she had never seen a lamb in a field before coming to Austwick this time!

1889 Apl 17 to Ap 26 = first
1895 Apl 11 – Apl 17
1896 Apl 2 – Apl 8
1897 Apl 14 – Apl 20
1898 Apl 6 – Apl 12
1899 Mar 29 – Apl 4
1900 Ap 10 – Apl 16
1901 uncle ill death
1902 Mar 27 – Apl 2
1903 Apl 8 – Apl 14
1904 Mar 3 to Apl 8 accident
1905 Apl 19 – Apl 26
1906 Apl 11 – Apl 18
1907 Mar 28 – Apl 3
1908 Apl 15 – Apl 22
1909 Apl 6 – Apl 13
1911 Apl 12 –

1906 Apl 11 A Prowse came to AH I was under doctors hands and could not go for walks with him he left on Wed April 18. His visit was spoilt by reason of my attack of gout. July 13 A Prowse came for weekend had a nice walk on Sat [illeg] [illeg] he ret Tuesday 17 July

1907 Mar 28 A Prowse came for Easter 29 Prowse Self & Noel went to Clapham Ch

30 Prowse & I walked to Crumack Beggards style to Sulber gate [illeg] [illeg] [illeg] hut to lunch after walked down allotment wall to Gaping Ghyll & home via cave home 5.15pm 31 Prowse, Noel & I went to Clapham Ch Prowse & I stayed Holy Comn Apl 1st after tea we walked over Thwaite Lane to Farrers Plant & back by top footpath 2 Rain & thunder aftn went to site of new hospital 3d Mr Prowse left us 12.40pm

Oct 29 went to Southport & Lpool all night with Prowse. We both left Lpl 2.20 Clapham 5.8 31 Wet & [illeg] did not go out. Nov 1 left home 10am Crumack, Beggards style, Sulber gate & home. After dinner up Plantation over Thwaite footpath Clapham & home via field footpath Nov 2 Walked to Feizor by footpath: up Feizor Nick, Bark Houses & home. 3 Clapham Ch 4th Thwaite lane to Trowgill & back 5 Lawkland Hall in morning, afternoon hospital &c 6h I walked to Settle & back Mr Prowse left us 12.45 for home looking much better

1908 W Apl 15 went to Settle & Hellifield, met Mr Prowse drove back from Settle left cab top Bucca brow & walked home via Brunton Road & Stinking[?] Bank Lane 16 Walked to Feizor & back by Wood House Cold E wind. Aftn went to Nappa Scar 17 Good Friday P, N & I went to Clapham Chh hot in sun Sat in garden & walked v Thwaite lane nearly to Clapham & home by Thwaite foot path 18 Cold & dreary aftern walked to Clapham by Thwaite lane & back by fields after seeing Mr Farrers new footpath at Lake 19 P, Noel & I went to Clapham Ch Easter \$ stayed Holy Comn. Cold snow showers in aftn Ev P and wife went to Austwick Ch. 20 Left 9.55 for a walk to Beggards stile, Thieves moss & Sulber Gate home by Scar road v Crummack after tea went up the wood. Saw deer 21 Walked up Thwaite Lane & green Lane to Trowgill & back via Clapdale & Clapham a glorious day. After tea a stroll round the wood. 22 walked to Lawkland Hall. We went to Settle after lunch Mr P left by 1.47 train & I came home v Feizor and saw Ann Wood

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A Prowse

1884 Oct 13 First time at Liverpool Astronomical Society

1885 May 11 Went to Liverpool Astronomical Society. First saw A Prowse at 129 Canning Street on one of the above dates

1886 11 May Wife and I at Prowses 129 Canning St 12 May saw Queen Victoria go to open Liverpool Exhibition. Saw Queen next day very close

1889 Apl 17 A. Prowse came to AH for his first visit left Ap 26 Skyline walk on Lawkland moor to top of Burn Moor "bee line" home fine day

1895 A.P came Apl 11, 13h over Moughton, Horton to Weathercote, over Inglebro Gaping Gill Home 15 Round Moughton, Smearside, Potscar[?] 16 Kirkby Lonsdale 17h he returned home

1876 Came Ap 2d on 4h Gaping Gill top of Inglebro 6h Feizor, Stainforth, Catterick Victoria Cave, Attermire, Scalaber Settle 7 Feizor, Eldroth; left Ap 8th

1897 Came Apl 14h; 15 Settle, High Rig home; 19 Allum Pot; 20 retd home

1898 Came Ap 6; 8 Feizor, Celtic Wall, Pot Scar Wharfe Gill; 11 Roman Camp Stainforth Foss, Settle, Retd 12th

1899 Came Mar 29h; 30 Hull Pot; Ap 3 Clapham, J Hartleys Shooting hut Inglebro and back retd home 4 April

1900 Came Ap 10h left on 16h Wet nearly all the time got very few walks

Came 18th Oct 19 Prowse & I Allum Pot; 20 Dent & Sedbergh; 23 Settle home

by Gigk Scars Scar top 24 Prowse left noon

1901 Prowse not able to come at Easter on account of uncles death. Came 26-27 Yordas Cave 28 out all day, 30th Crummack, Allotment, Gaping Gill left 4.20pm

1902 Came the 27 Mar f 28 Church Sat Allum Pot after 3pm \$ 30 Clapham Ch M & Ev M 31 Hull Pot via Faredale[?] & Horton, home via Moughton fine. Apl 1 Crummack Inglebro, Weathercote, walked to Ingleton & walked home from there; Ap 2 Trowgill Gaping Gill Hole home 12.22 Prowse left 2.45pm

1903 Came Ap 8 5pm; 9h Norber, Long Scar, Clapham Bottoms, Gaping Gill, Trow Gill Clapdale, Clapham home 5pm 10 Clapham Ch; after walked to Crummack Wash Dub 11th went to Ingleton by 10.35 walked to Twistleton and the whole length of Whernside. Came down N. end near tunnel, a fearfully long walk, howling gale, rain & mist arrd Hill Inn 4.20 had tea and walked to Ingleton 6.20 home by train. 12 \$ Clapham Ch and home; 13 walked to Feizor, and over Thwaite to Stainforth Foss then via Swarth Moor Helwith Bridge to New Inn Horton and over Moughton to Whitstone hole home P left 14h 3.36 train Ingleton to top 2h 42 ms = 6 miles. Whernside walk 15 ½ miles +

1904 Came th mar 30. I went to Hellifield to meet him 31st walked via X streets Brunton to Bucca Brow retd down Cave[?] [illeg] home; afternoon went to Clapham via Thwaite Lane & home by fields. Good Friday Prowse, Noel and I went to Clapham Church. We had all got into the road below Mr Farrers gates, and I was speaking to Mrs Farrer when I saw Prowse fall. His hat blew off and in trying to snatch at it, his foot slipped and he fell heavily onto the edge of the grass and dislocated his shoulder. Fortunately Dr Wearing was at home and the joint put right. He suffered a lot of pain over the operation. I brought him home in a cab and wife wrote to Mrs Prowse who arred here next day Sat, about noon. He improved fairly well under Dr Wearing. They left us Friday 8 Apl for Oxton I went with them to Settle Station & saw them off in a Liverpool carrge 1.42 See next page

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See ante for summary Alfred Prowse at Austwick Hall

1909 Apl 6h A Prowse came 1pm. In afternoon walked up Thwaite Lane & home by footpath to top of plantation. 7 Prowse and I walked to Crummack in the mornng. At home rest of day. 8 Prowse & I went for a walk to Trowgill but only got as far as the beck below cave 9 all went to Chh P to Clapham I remained at home, read service & walked to hospital & back rest of day abt home 10 at home all day not feeling very well P spent forenoon in Plant 11h Easter \$ P went to Clapham Ch I went in cab to Communion Service, 12 cold & wet, slacked about at home 13 P & I strolled about home till lunch 12 [illeg] P & Kitty left us 12 40 with Annie in cab for Settle. Sorry to lose my old friend again

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Nett Weight n d
1869

Nov 22 = 138 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs

Dec 25 = 142 $\frac{1}{2}$

1870

Mar 18 = 143

June 26 = 141

1871

Mar 20 = 133

May 12 = 135

Aug 22 = 136

1872

Jan 17 = 138 $\frac{1}{2}$

Mar 14 = 141

July 17 = 140 $\frac{3}{4}$

Aug 10 = 136

Sep 1 = 137

Oct 23 137 $\frac{1}{2}$

Decr 25 = 137

1873

Mar 2 = 142 $\frac{1}{2}$

June 17 = 135 $\frac{1}{2}$

July 27 = 133 lbs

Aug 26 = 134

Oct 2 = 136 $\frac{1}{2}$

Decr 26 = 139

1874

Feb 25 = 140

Apl 25 = 136 $\frac{1}{2}$

July 1 = 137 $\frac{1}{4}$

Aug 30 = 133 $\frac{3}{4}$

Nov 29 = 137 $\frac{1}{2}$

1875

May 3 = 141 $\frac{3}{4}$

July 31 = 143 $\frac{1}{2}$

Nov 11 = 138 $\frac{1}{2}$

1876

Feb 24 = 149 $\frac{1}{4}$

Mar 5 = 148

Mar 27 = 149 $\frac{1}{4}$

Ap 14 = 149 $\frac{1}{4}$

May 10 = 141 $\frac{3}{4}$

June 4 = 147

July 17 = 144 $\frac{3}{4}$

Aug 11 = 141 $\frac{3}{4}$

Sep 26 = 141 $\frac{3}{4}$

Decr 11 = 144 $\frac{1}{2}$

1877

Feb 16 = 143 $\frac{1}{2}$

Apl 3 = 142 $\frac{1}{2}$

June 21 = 140 $\frac{1}{4}$

Sep 12 = 137 $\frac{1}{2}$

Decr 16 = 140
1879
Mar 16 = 144 ½
Aug 7 = 138
1880
Mar 13 = 140 ½
Aug 11 = 137 ½
1881
May 22 = 142 ¼
1882
9 Aprl = 143 ¾
2 Aug = 141 ½
5 Nov = 140 ½
1885
17 Oct = 135 lbs 10 oz
1886
27 July = 132 ¼
12 Nov 134 ¼
1887
14 May 131 ¼
18 Oct 132 ½
1888
31 July 135 ½
1895
4 Nov 134 ¾
1897
25 June 128 ½
1899
15 June 133 ½
1901
7 Feb 131 ½
1903
5 Apl 128 ¾
1904
12 May 125 10oz
1905
28 May 125 6 oz
1906
24 Feb 123 lbs 14 oz

J Maitland Esq London & Keswick
Scarfell Pike 3200 ft

1864 73.20
1865 49.0
1866 68.0
1867 59.0
1868 70.00
1869 59.0
1872 90.75
1877 37.90

1878 48.50

Temperatures at Austwick

| | | |
|--------------|----------|---------------|
| 1872 July 26 | 84 | |
| 1876 July 15 | 85 | |
| 16 | 87 | |
| 1878 July 19 | 84 | |
| 20 | 85 | |
| 21 | 82 | |
| Decr 13 | 10 | 65 days frost |
| 1879 5 Decr | 13 | |
| 1880 Aug 14 | 80 ½ | |
| 16 | 80 ½ | |
| 19 | 80 | |
| 27 | 80 | |
| Sep 4 | 80 | |
| 1881 Jan 8 | 13 | |
| 9 | 15 | |
| 11 | 16 | |
| 12 | 14 | |
| 14 | 14 | |
| 15 | 10 | |
| 16 | 6 | |
| 17 | 7 | |
| 18 | 12 | |
| 20 | 12 | |
| 21 | 11 | |
| 22 | 11 | |
| 23 | 24 | |
| 24 | 13 | |
| 25 | 10 | |
| 26 | - ½ | |
| March 1 | 13 | |
| June 2 | 78 | |
| 8 | 37 | |
| 9 | 33!! | |
| 10 | 35 | |
| July 5 | 78 | |
| 1886 July 2 | 49/ 78 ½ | |
| 3 | 49/ 78 | |
| 4 | 56/ 77 | |
| 1887 June 15 | 49/ 75 | |
| 16 | 50/ 82 ½ | |
| 17 | 55/ 78 | |
| 18 | 55/ 85 | |
| 19 | 55/ 83 | |
| 1906 Sep 1st | 86 ½ | |
| Aug 29 | 74 ½ | |
| 30 | 75 | |
| 31 | 80 ½ | |

| | | |
|------|---------|------|
| | Sep 1 | 86 ½ |
| | 2 | 85 ½ |
| | 3 | 68 ½ |
| 1911 | June 1 | 78 |
| | 2 | 74 |
| | 3 | 73 |
| | 4 | 79 |
| | 5 | 72 |
| | 6 | 71 |
| | 7 | 78 |
| | 8 | 78 |
| | July 11 | 81 |
| | 12 | 85 |
| | 13 | 83 ½ |

Smoke Room at Austwick Hall

This was formerly a wash house and Laundry room over it.

1875 Ap 5 to May 14 Broke a door through wall leading to dining room and broke a new door into wash house these I connected by a small building outside. I then took a stairway up into the laundry and partitioned this off below. I cut away the beam in the laundry after bracing the couples[?] together & put a lavatory basin in the old window which I walled up and made a window to open out into the garden and another at the end of the room. Used this 9 years till 1884 July 9 last time used old smoke room

1884 April Top and bottom rooms made into one larger room for library but it proved too damp used it as a Smoking room till 1890 Made 4 rooms out of the building, broke a passage from passage leading to our bed room and another into the outbuilding, these I connected by raising the connecting room below. I thus got two bed rooms for my loss of a smoke room & small store room below

1893 Took out the partition between smoke room store room making the two rooms into one which makes a nice sized smoke room & study tho' rather damp

1900 Nov 19 Jacked up beam in Smoke room which had given way by taking out partition Screwed on 2 iron plates, one on each side: this stiffened beam. Put a prop 2 in plank on SE wall as Noels room floor had sunk 1 inch [illeg]. This makes a good job.

