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and Newry

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Friday 20 August 1779 ~

Conferred with M<sup>r</sup>. A. McNease - M<sup>r</sup>.

B - & M<sup>r</sup>. M - C, D<sup>r</sup>. D - n,

M<sup>r</sup>. Crombie M<sup>r</sup>. Purinton -

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

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

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

Brown towers are peculiar to  
Ireland, from 30 to 500 feet high  
Great resemblance between the  
Irish language and the English  
of Scotland, also between the Irish  
and the old Punician - Punic  
proper in Hauler's sandstone like  
the old Irish - M. P. - in all ages  
the Irish is like the Punic -  
An old manuscript in the  
University of Dublin wrote  
backwards and forwards thus -

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In the evening drank port with  
Maff. L. - u and Ore - r -

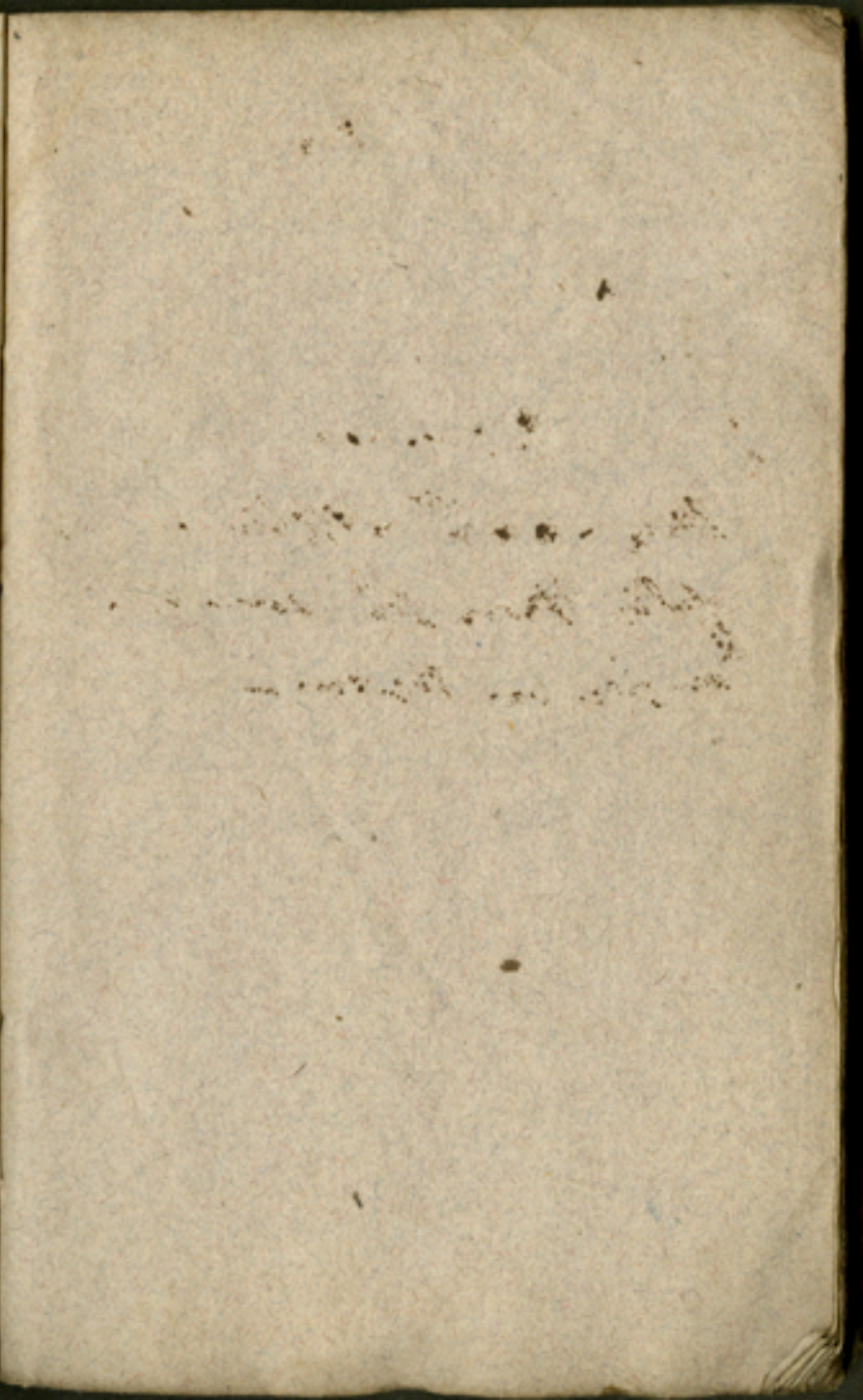
Now, unless you not supposed  
accounted for - should not  
the more appear farther  
and least when on the  
Horn, on - J. D. - r  
could not understand the  
difference between Telescopy  
and Microscopy - Ask  
why the suppression being  
Did not excite more words  
and increase the portion  
of happiness? -

*[Faint, illegible handwriting on the right page]*

Sunday 22<sup>d</sup> Rode out to  
Mr. Maxwell - conversed  
on the Irish and Scotch language  
- the Scotch not content with  
concord - A Scotch man near  
gets the title of his temper  
- and Irish man in English  
soon gets quit of the brogue -  
Irish make good actors - the  
Scotch do not - Mr. Dobbs  
a curious character - drew  
scribed sermons which he  
afterwards would not read  
- A shock to the best people  
method of putting grain in  
- A farm paper has to  
5400 of corn - furnishes  
surplus grain to the merchants  
lands of the Decade -

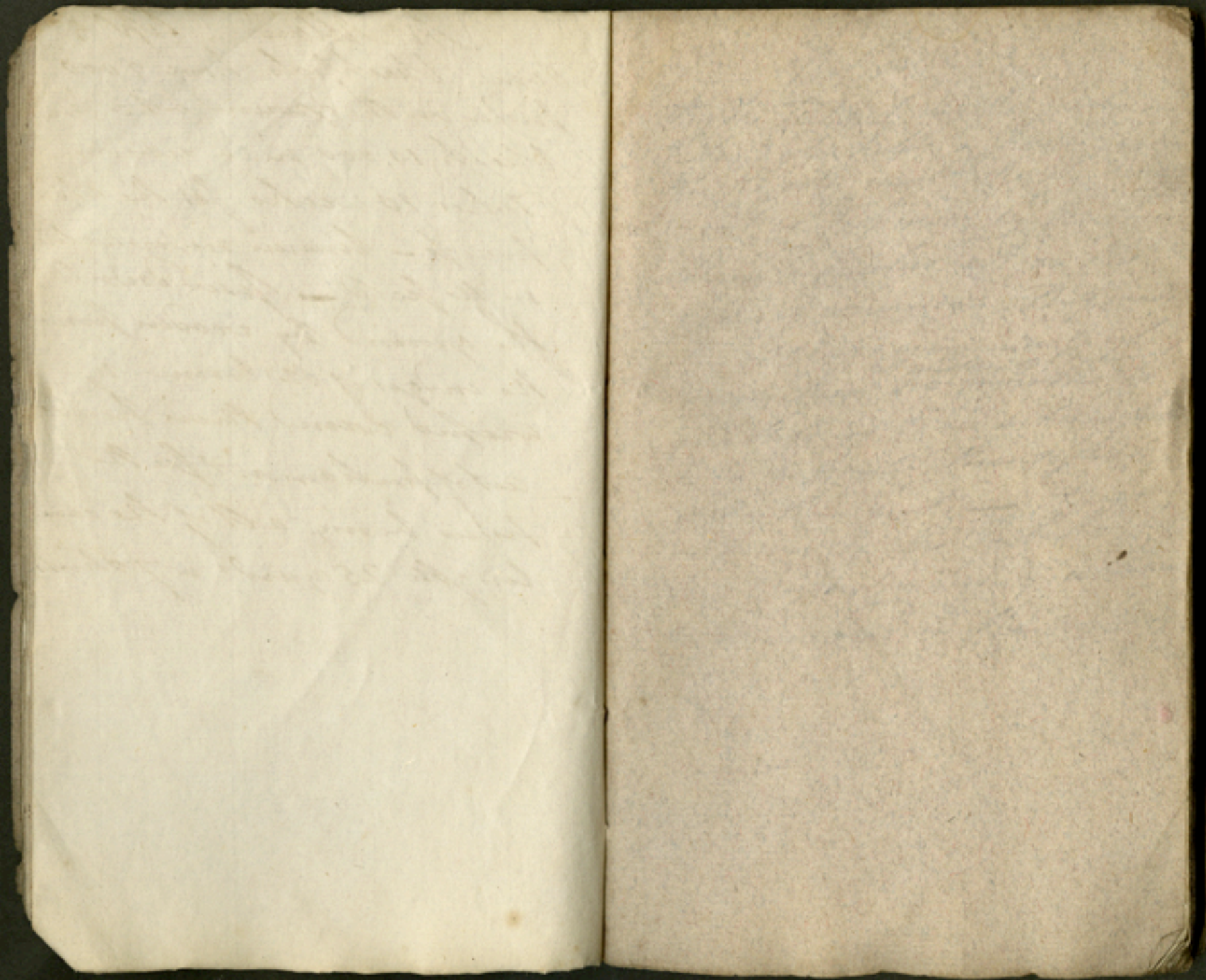
met a number with branches  
for a year - England is  
double that of the Empire  
are 10,000 parishes. In  
France 24,000. In the Dioceses  
of Lincoln are 1600 parishes  
- They are the seat of the arms  
of the Prelates. Some the  
keys or signs -

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Mr. Allan's - Sep. 5<sup>th</sup>  
Some blackjacks have 2000  
pieces on the ground at a time  
about 10,000 in a season -  
Takes 10 weeks for the whole  
moss - Linen never watered  
in the field - Fixed down to  
the ground by wooden pins  
The ends of the linen is  
wreathed round their heads.  
- cut of parliament for the  
pieces being all of the same  
length 25 yards = 7 shillings





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

Belfast 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct.

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

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

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

Liverpool 11 Dec.  
1779

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

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

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

<sup>not</sup>  
June 11: to 12 Nov.

at 11. 11. 11. 11

Nov 11. to 15 Nov.

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

Oct  
11. Lisburn — 18th

Bishop of Down a most  
agreeable sensible Gentleman  
Dined frequently with his  
Lordship — Mr. Hall

Mr. Hall — Doctor  
Fruit — His Lordship

a good deal of what  
This reason for the same  
minds being irregular  
in all Languages —

observed that 3 feet of  
breadth for one perpendi-  
cular height is sufficient

for the bank of a canal  
and the strongest Dykes

in Holland are not  
above 5 to one —

11<sup>th</sup> <sup>Oct</sup> Last week 18<sup>th</sup> Nov.  
 Sweet at Memphis to view  
 in the academy desk  
 Mr. Hatcher's work  
 subjects, properly disposed  
 on by the middle one large  
 than the rest. This his  
 Lordship thinks with  
 reason — By description

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



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

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

Lebanon  
at  
11 - 11 Nov  
1791

Sept 11  
11. 18. Nov.

Startling, signs of the  
near an independent view

Old club meets every  
evening about eight o  
clock. Drinks <sup>with</sup> ~~with~~  
punch of which <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ some  
account as their taste  
in patriotism prevents

A side show is ready, at  
a few minutes when  
may be had Argyle  
papers, papers &c.

The conversation is free  
the suspicion, obstinacy  
weakness &c. of the  
Punch and Ministry,  
The <sup>religion</sup> hypocrisy and political  
depravity of the whole

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

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

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

Mr. James Doctor Crawford  
a Lieutenant in the 1st -  
It amounts already to 120  
The 2nd to about 60 or 70 -

Letter

11 Oct. 18 Nov.

Nov 27  
Nov 29

at New  
Lisburn from 11 to 18  
Have got a cart made by  
George Young who works for  
W. Nichol in Belfast  
The cart cost 10. 10. - But!  
It does not contain the whole  
apparatus - the iron  
panners left behind -

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

for every 6. in company the  
rest of the wine and perquisites  
is paid by the gentlemen -  
The protest meets once a fort-  
night - My whole expense  
that evening was 3/6. A  
very President is chosen every  
previding meeting - Members  
admitted by ballot - The  
Dublin Assembly is held  
every fortnight on Thursday  
evening, the protest and the off-  
meeting alternately - The  
Protest attends the Assembly  
regularly and plays the protest  
evening at cards. He is said  
to be the best whist player  
in the north of Ireland -  
The Church Clergy all dance  
- No nuns walk at two

Assembly I attended. They  
have introduced so much  
of the parish expenses so  
that no gentleman will  
venture to dance a minute  
in the old way. - When this  
is proposed they all seem  
to go on they don't seem  
the new French tricks -  
The Voluntary committee  
met next a boat in the  
Town-hall - In this  
had one broad stone  
round about 1 1/2 foot  
above the ground where  
the organ is placed -

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Newry 18<sup>th</sup> 1789 -

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

Newry 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 89  
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From 18<sup>th</sup> Nov to 20<sup>th</sup> Dec.

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

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

Course in New  
about 30 Guinea's -  
Doctor Templeton a  
most excellent Surgeon  
and sensible gentleman  
has the most powerful  
Electrical Machine in

New  
From 18. Nov. 20  
New  
2000 - 2000

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

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

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

From 15<sup>th</sup> Nov. to 26<sup>th</sup>  
Nov. 1790  
From 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. to 26<sup>th</sup>

From 18th Nov. to 20th  
Newry

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

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

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

Newry is built on a  
narrow point - the streets  
narrow and dirty - a  
very strong market  
was Thursday - a large  
market on Friday and  
Saturday - Sunday the  
bazaar and Saturday the  
great market - I was  
witness of the people and  
from a collection -

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

Newry was  
from 18: to 20 Dec.  
1841



Adelphi of the power  
Newy  
From 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> Oct.

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

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

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

Newry  
From 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. to 20<sup>th</sup> Dec.  
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From 18 to 20 Oct.  
Newry was  
from 18 to 20 Oct.

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

It was begun in the year  
and finished in

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

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

- x History of Newry
- x Its position & privileges

Newry no  
From 18: to 26 Dec.

From the  
New York


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

Mary 18 Nov 20 Ours  
a few suggestions of friends  
Mr. Bullworth has a mess  
Doubt a more painter -  
Doubt him he can write  
none - I do my times  
off hand - want bring  
me paper pen and ink  
- He wrote the word Pen  
man's - Did you ever  
see Bullworth Do any  
thing like that we see  
God - God damn it  
God can burn these  
large letters as he pleases  
He could I had a heart  
laugh at Bull; took  
He is a man who  
Doubt him he stole the  
body of the eagle from

the eagle's nest  
and he has  
written the  
word Pen  
man's -  
Did you ever  
see Bullworth  
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he stole the  
body of the  
eagle from

I never had two thousand  
at once in my life, and  
yet they are all the  
best of their kind -  
I wonder Mr. South  
has his Majesty had  
not sent for you to have  
his own - I am not  
in London when the  
first volume of works  
sent his Majesty - but  
his Majesty ordered one  
of his pages to attend  
me. He says he is to  
dance tonight and to  
run etc

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

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

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

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

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



Newry 15 Nov to 26 Dec 79

State of the Markets

Beef

Mutton

Pork

Meat

Butter

Cheese

Eggs

Timber & Fuel

11<sup>th</sup> mo  
Preface in  
October 14. 1779 in