

Transcript of GEO/ADD/43/19k: Extracts from the diary of Lady Anne Clifford, Countess Dowager of Dorset, Pembroke and Montgomery, by Charlotte, Queen Consort of George III (n.d. between 1761 and 1818)

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Of Anne Co: of Pembroke &c.

The 24th of Feb^y 1652 as the Year begins on New Years Day, did I remove from this Appleby Castle lying one Night by the way of Kirkby Lonsdale / And the next Day being the 25th I came to Skipton Castle, after I had layen in the sd. Castle in Westmoreland a Year and four Days over.

And when I now returned to Skipton I continued to lie in my own Chamber there till the 29th of November following when I returned to Appleby again, so as I stayed this time at Skipton 9. Months and Days.

The 19th of May did my Grandchild Mr Jo Tufton 2nd Son to my eldest Daughter and her Ld. The Ea: of Thanet come down hither to me, which was the first time I saw him at Skipton, and here in Craven in Westmoreland [2] he continued to be here till the 23rd day of March in 1653 on which day he went from Appleby Castle into the south to see his Father and Mother and so to Eaton Colledge there to study for some time and to live as a Scholar.

The 17th of this July being Saturday, died Edw^d Sackville Earl of Dorset in great Dorset House in London, and he was buried within a while after in the Vault Wethiam Church in Sussex by his wife and his eldest Brother my first Lord and many of their Ancestors of whose death M^r Christ^r Marsh brought me word to Skipton Castle the 24th Day of that Month when he then came to be in my Family till the 10th of Setem^r following.

Mr Edwrd Earl of Dorset was the most bitter and earnest Enemy to me that ever I had, but God Almighty delivered me most miraculously from all his crafty devices. Gen. C. 23 V. 5 for without the merciful power of that [3] God it had been impossible for me to have stayed therein. Ps. 18 Ve 4, 43, 47, 48. And now on this 24th day of July did Mr George Lodgwick come hither from London to me to serve me as my Secretary and one of my chief Officers.

On the 2nd day of August this Year was born the Lady Mary Tufton my Grandchild in her Father Ea: of Thannett's House of Hothfield in Kent (she being the 11th child to her Mother) so as I accounted myself happy to have a Grandchild of my own Blessed name. Luke C. 1st V. 487.

And about the 8th day of Septem^r did my Cousin the Co. of Cork with her six Children go from Bristol over the Sea into Ireland to Lizmore, Cork and those places in Munster to her Husbands Rich^d Ea: of Cork who went thither a few months before her, but in the Year 1656. She came with her two Sons and Daughter Elizabeth into England again for a while and left her 2 Sons at Queens Colledge in the University [4] in Oxford to Study there for some time, her self and her Daughter Eliza: going over the Sea into Ireland again in October the same Year to her Husband the Ea: of Cork.

The 6th of November was my cause in Chancery between me and my Tenants in Westmoreland dismissed out of that Court: and I was left to my Remedy at common Law, to which business God send some good conclusion for it had been both chargeable and troublesome unto me and in August this Year while I lay in Skipton Cas^e in Craven did Judge Pulston and Sarjeant Parker come to Appleby

Cas^e in their Northern circuit, where they now lay for four or five Nights, Eccle. C. 3 — And the 29th of this Month I with my Grandchild and my Family came from Skipton (lying one night by way at Kirkby Lonsdale) and so the next day we came to Appleby Cas^e: where this Grandchild and I kept our Christmas this Year, and this