

DIARY NO 17.

August 1876 - ^{MAY} 1877

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P. 1

7th of collection of African skulls with regard to Procrustes

people entering the ship

last time. Don't get here - Royal Dockyard in Dover - even -
2 1/2 miles. Arrived at 10.15 - dead in 15.15.

P. 2

Ships arrived at Africa by the route - he is to be expected
on the way of all the ships & the journey of 15.15.

P. 8

Went back to the island at a night party & the night
of 17.15. Home - report to King. Review of boat report.

SCHEMATA

P. 10

Aftered that. Sultan now at the island - 15.15 of unrecorded
his young boy. At the island - put on there as Sultan.

P. 11

Read ship for August - reception of African who are paid in
the night. Home for my school.
15.15 of boat. Home of boat -

P. 13

STRIKING and SINKING of 15.15 at Baghdad. Part.
Sunk on board. Home to the boat. Home to the boat.

P. 14

Home up home of evening. The ship.
But the home of the ship at the island - going to the
out there & the ship at the island.

P. 15

At 15.15. Home of 2.00
Home of 2.00

P. 16

Home of all ships in the - 15.15 of 15.15

SEPTEMBER

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- P. 17. I have no shelter from the sun but my blanket stuck on poles.
- P. 18. Grief & sorrow wh. I felt is too much to bear - This fire & forest quickest & best steamer go down in the river - just at this time when we have so much opposition & continuing from the Turkish gov.
- P. 19. Dining in holds after the cargo.
- P. 20. Owners of cargo - had come aboard for S'd. L.
- P. 23. The two boats filled with water & placed on each side period to try & raise her how did. not do anything except raise her about 4"
- P. 24. Land - for a pleasure trip - Tents & horses to hunt & shoot.
- P. 24. 17th. Arrival of S.S. Maud - Awful confusion.
- P. 25. The Commodore Khalid Bey also came up to go to S'd. L.
- P. 26. Capt. Holland to make a protest - noting what happened since we left S'd. L. on 8th. & stating how accident occurred. Col. Nisari telegram for I.O. in London - telling him to render assistance - but he leaves today 19th in the Comet. Mr. Barker & Capt. Holland's opinions do not agree.
- P. 28. Blocking the hatchway of the foremast & Main holds to pump the water out & make the ship buoyant.
- P. 29. S. Phosphate from Bahr - received a piece of chain & shackle sent up from Mehat & 4 Arab divers from Bahrain.

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- P. 29. Tried to excavate - but nothing - few wires filled with rope.
- P. 24. 23d. Bk of London arrived on her way to Persia with the mail.
Have brought us down the Diving machine from Amherst
& about 1000 inflated skins with 4 men to blow them [Blakey's idea]
- P. 30. Blakey says after a few days in B'd. I must come back.
- P. 30. On Dyld - engines all getting rusty - screws felt about 6" since the day we sunk.
- P. 31. S-Launch El Bush arrived from B'd.
- P. 31. Decided to go up in El Bush - work along the bottom was in a
dix mess - water all under ft. more of the engines
- P. 32. Landed at Boston to walk in & shoot & if possible go right
on to Shoroch - as the Launch is awfully slow & may probably
arrive at night time - Foot sore - at Shoroch met by natives.
- P. 33. Turkish steamers running as fast as they can - good chance -
everybody saying for the Dyld except the Turkish steamers, especially
their director, Omar Pasha a P'de - he wants to make
contracts with the merchants for 2 or 3 yrs.
- P. 34. Wilis pump from Dieldi - Turkish one not in good order - but
latching it engines to fix in weeks.
- P. 35. 29th. Messenger came in night before last to say the ship has
been found broken on the Port side aft - the Plate is broken.

OCTOBER.

- P. 36. Set out from Jisra - walking to Baghdadah Det.

- P.39 Mr. Carr has had several drives with the driving chairs & stopped all the cracks & holes.
- P.41 Mr. Cornet with Col. Mason & family - letters from my Father - letter of Mr. Davis - in wh. he says about the sale of my antiques & says wh. I gave him last year - cheap - sent me a printed catalogue - all by myself - amounted to £77.2.6 -
deducting £9.13 for commission at 12 1/2%
net proceeds of £67.9.6.
- P.42. tried whole day to get Pugs to work - 2 engines of Cornet & Mr. Tortt & Mr. Carr are working at it & it puzzled them.
- P.44 Holds continue to refill altho' pumps working.
- P.45 Shooting partridges.
- P.47. Question of making a Sudd round the Dyke - £2000 for Sudd. Blooming took opinion of Capt. Holland, Master, Tortt Wilson & Carr in writing Capt Holland - pro. Mr. Carter - pro -
P.48. Mr. Wilson against.
- P.50 Letter from Falatta - - Shegal, son of Farid forced the Chekela country from the govt. for 2 yrs - for 430,000 Shani -
Wartman & Ade recruits for him - get a commission of 5% from Shegal.

- P 52. London dangerous sldg. of Sudd.
- P 56. Back to Baghdad - New servant-Kind - day 7ena -
Alien was glad here just above the Fort of Thaji - by the
brothers of a large boat from Basra.
- P 56. Henry has got a fine double barrel central fire gun & a new one of
Mr. Robinson No. 12 for sale wh. I bought for £15 & sent my
fire-gun with Henry to repair the locks.
- P 57. Blacky has hired the large boat Ayalch to use for the ship
for 40 B. a day.
- P 58. Saw the skin of the lion skel. of the Nasodah Jodet & crew.
- P 59. Search for young lion - saw marks of his feet - over 1 y.
& stands higher than a sheep.
- P 60. 29th. Made up by mind to take 6 Asids to boat-punch
thoroughly for Lion.
- P 60. Mr. Black got married yesterday with Miss Lamm, sister of
Miss. Warner, late Capt. of the Comet.
- P 61. Found marks of young Lion - Shet-pig.
- P 62. 31st. Pleasant arrival of two divers who arrived from
Eng. in the Rahley at Basra - coming up in a Turkish steamer.

NOVEMBER.

- P 62. The Divers are messing with us. - Co. provides for their food.

- P64 Davis report to the company - state of the Dybbek - two cracks on both sides.
- " Davis shoving inflated skins into the after main hold - 21 skins today - each skin can carry 1 cwt. without sinking. Bail in back back part.
- P66 More news of young train.
Davis shutting cracks with Barley Flour.
- P67 Albi's sickness at our house - To take his father to B'lad with me.
- P69 Journey - crossed in a Helan - Aveyen - Boston - Hengshan - Deala - crossed. Naval's garden - into town at 8.
- P71 Dr. Lai - 6 leeches to Albi's leg - strong fever - 73 shen.
- P72 Death of Albi - bought coffin & cloth.
- P73 ? Death of plague at severe exhaustion buried blagatin.
- P73 Mr. Wilson chief mate took passage in London for weeks leave. died - drowned slightly intoxicated - went westward.
- P74 Poor Wilson was going to come up with me, but was afraid of making a long journey overland.
- P74 Deckmen of London sent to find Wilson's body - no luck. Took his place on London - Barch - H-ell sore throat.
- P77 At B'ghd adchi - heard 2 or 3 people had attack of plague.

- P. 78 Adenostad to see plague at this season.
- P. 78. Taking Zina back to B'dad - won't leave me suffering from cold - Arab dogs growl with her.
- P. 82. Devil's Elbow - current rapid & turbid - vessel not keeping straight.
- " Fathalla says shocks of earthquake felt yesterday. 23rd
- P. 83. boat - went on shore to see Haji Ahmed Afshar - the Zopengchi Beshe of B'dad - offered him free passage up to B'dad.
- P. 84 At Baghdadeh - Capt. Holland asked me to write his log for 17 days & an official letter to the Bergami Agent about the striking & sinking of the Dyleh.
- P. 85 House & cabin fevered several every - most - steam engine pump of Turkish gut - has fallen in the main dock.
- " Several cases of plague - H. writes that sent. commission under Dr. Warlabet, the quarantine doctor - started for Abu Ghari to investigate & assist - the disease has begun v. early.
- 29th. Wed.
- P. 86. A mail from Eng. of some secret Arab journals printed in London for an excited Turk - anti gent. - Inhabitants demand arms against Europeans.
- " Feridun - a son - Idris John
- P. 87 Fathalla ill - Arche advised him to come to B'dad.
- " Dr. Warlabet the Inspector of Quarantine & Dr. Mahajan the Quarantine Sanitary Doctor came to enquire about plague at Baghdadeh

- explained only among Zobeid Arabs.

DECEMBER.

- P. 88 1st. Baghdad - Have done nothing - on account of the high
rise & nothing to be seen of the Dybb - My place in the hut is
v. dampy & cold.
89. The Arabs hang on further down - but have the plague - also the Hodars.
The crew of our people making a small mud fort on the bank
just opposite the Dybb - to indicate where not for vessels
passage.
- P. 89 Capt. Holland sent 3 loads to dig over a mound S.W. of our
place in the desert for antiquities.
- P. 93 8th. Two Eng. doctors to go to H. in the Mesopotamia.
Few cases of plague - 2 among the Jews & few on opposite side
of the town, - houses in quarantine.
- P. 94. Our new steamer the 'Bliss Light' is being landed from the Mesopotamia.
- P. 95 Henry's Rajah Lancers.
- P. 96. Near the d. of Fred Blackey & John, son of Mr. Jackson both g'children
of Capt. Holland going down in the Lander to H. to school of the
Mesopotamia.
- P. 97. Went to Jiloozy Asfer Khan to visit his bro. at Mosselke
to get me 150 shas for use of native women.
- P. 98 Raj shooting expedition, starting at Chaudhry house
on the Deata.

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P101 More incidents of pig-shooting.

P103 23rd - I shot this time 3 pigs, 3 partridges & a black-bird.

P104 Christmas - Went with Henry to the Latin Church.

P105 A Roman road pulled at noon in the Snow - guns fired - new system of post. signals in Turkey - better security & freedom to all sects & different religions.

JANUARY. 1877.

1st P. 107. Dinner party given by Col. Wren.

P108 Shooting trip - 3rd Wednesday. - Here 7th. - P. 113.

P115 14th. Called on Mr. Robert Brown - who tells of affairs at Lond.
The Porte still rejects the proposals put-forward by the Delegates of the Six guaranteeing Peace - probably end in declaration of war by Russia against Turkey.

P116. 18th. Christmas for Armenians - went to Fatchi Kiosk & called on the Residency clerk Messrs. Thedden & Mr. Michael Hume.

P118 25th. Shooting with Henry
Jungle dick - insects - P. 120 -

122 Shooting here - Henry shot Handal the Owl.

123 We had in all 92 partridges, 7 hares.
Shooting ended 29th.

FEBRUARY.

P125 Effie - 14's daughter - Fox Damian says depletion
called in new doctor of Lunel - replacement to
Paris

- P.126. 5th. Hashim Pasha arrived from Beirut to be Deftardar at B'dad.
- P.127. Fallen creek in the desert until the rain.
- P.128. Dinner Party at Jalil Asfar - native music Fr. Beirut. Dr. Deslins.
- P.130. Gave evidence in the Maglis el Tameez - about a discharged Dr. Bahman who accused Lashin of deserting from his pay.
- P.130. Dr. of Dr. Latini a military doctor.
- P.131. Masons are working opening the door of the house from the street & shutting the Darsana door.
- P.132. 194. Went to Col. Nasser's home - on occasion sale of Mr. Roubi's pt.
- P.133. To A'wahik with Antone for pleasure to see his garden. Khan Ben-Saad - Babuba - Kharnad village - 1st of Mejis - Arab encampment - staged - Passed of Jaaba - Makhassa village - Zheraat village - 134 - A'wahik - Ali. N. Achille the agent. Antone's garden on the bank of the Diaba.
- P.135. Jattered asparagus - Went to see the flour mill worked by water by a canal running down from Akhassan to the depth of about 10 feet - It is the property of the Nakhil - no one else allowed to make one.
- P.137. Sent a telegram from Sherehan. - some pens -
138. Return to A'wahik - Told by people of caravans coming from B'dad that rain rain - aeroplane blew Khadman & destroyed the road for the trainway.

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P. 139. 25th. Returned to B'dest - went to Kadi ball.

MARCH

P. 141. 2nd. - Plague - - 142. the disease has never left the town since last year.

142 3rd. Outside Sin Gate a large review of troops about 2000.
- To meet an aide de camp from Const. with a Firman for the Musahid Parker, commander in chief of the army at Bag.

P. 143. Re-organization for the dinner party this evening 4th.
24 persons.

P. 144. H. arrived on foot 5th. from Shorish had to be persuaded to go to Nazem Abdeh's dinner party, 5th.

P. 145. 6th. Morris party - to begin in garden.

P. 146. 7th. The River men - only wants 1 foot to overflow the Custom House.

P. 149. M. du Sange - H. vice consul for Beach up to B'dest to call on M. Desbris, the H. Consul.

P. 152. Went to Lynch's place - saw the wool press.

P. 152. The Hotel - left. Dinner.

P. 153. Mosul did not start before 11 - took a walk towards the Khat - country all flooded by rise of the river.

P. 154. Elgin v. vexed by behavior of Westah - servant who had repeated all sorts of gossip after Si. visits to Arlene.

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- P.152. Nordik took her clothes & left after 35 years
- P.155. 19th. Fearful rise of the river, level with the Barton House wharf & the gate of the bridge. There is no passage from one gate to the other - nobody has ever seen it this height
- P.157 The river has broken an embankment near Fregat & the water inundated the whole desert outside the middle gate & reached as far as the E. landing. B'ded is now almost surrounded by water on both banks of the river.
- P.157 Return of Dr. L. L. L. on the Residing Surgeon on S. v. P. L. L. in B. L. L. - from E. on 4 m. L. L. L.
- P.159. L. L. L. - paid money to purchase road in partnership with S. L. L. L. L.
- P.160. L. L. L. - country all over flooded.
160. Disappointed by my cabin aboard the Blasse Lynd
161. L. L. L. ready to have if alterations to cabin not made.
161. Mr. Mackenzie invited sister Blakely & Alice to dinner - 28th
162. 29th. Mr. Peterson invited Blakely & sister to breakfast. We are v. uncomfortable on board - nothing filled - no W.C. etc.
163. S. L. L. here - but L. L. L. & wife living with Mr. L. L. L.
163. Trial trip & L. L. L. of Blasse Lynd on Wednesday.
163. 31st. Mr. & L. L. L. called on board to see my sister
165. 3rd APRIL.

3rd Sister & Blakely dining with Mr. L. L. L. & family

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- P. 165. APRIL 4th. WEDNESDAY. In at top of Hesse Lynch.
166. Over 150 persons on board - At table - -
The boat dressed with flags.
- P. 167. Blokey & my sister to Rotstern's house - I followed - looked
over the rooms.
- P. 168. Passed Azov - - going round the Yellow - star - board wheel struck
the mud.
169. Passed Sheikh Saad - S.S. Photo coming down with
171. Avrom Gubay a son in law of Sir Abdulla Sassoon of
Bombay on board.
170. City of London coming down - heard from H. a quarantine
established at Gherochlan opposite Basel.
Abdulkhan Pasha - Gov. of B'ded to Decretes -
171. Arrived in B'ded. 9th - Tremendous crowd on board to see B. Lynch
171. Great many Jews leaving the town to the desert for fear of Plague.
172. Vessels are not to touch at Orania or beds & are to
make quarantine 15 days at Basel.
- " Quarantine established at Jermat Ali.
173. 14th. A case of plague at Tom Jeco's house -
174. Plague working everywhere - not so much as last year, but in
every quarter - Jews nearly all left the town.
175. Heard from Blokey that war betw. Russia & Turkey is
imminent.
176. Mortality averages from 40 - 50 daily from all diseases.

17th. Three dead corpses of Jews having been smuggled into town yesterday by being hidden under loads of beams on donkeys - but found at the gates & pined heavily.

Nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ of Jews fled out of the town.

Not one death yet among the Christians.

P. 177. Dr. Melinger of the Sanction. Dr. Hertzel Inspector of Quarantine.

Quarantine established at Amara for dead passengers & cargo.

" 18th. Mackay received telegram to say that war is declared by Russia agst. Turkey.

P. 179. H. says no cases of plague at Bagdad & Amara.

21st. Capt. Holland does not feel well - Dr. Holland with us to look after him.

180. Quarantine at Amara under Khalil Effendi & the Sanitary Doctor. - No plague at Amara but some on opposite side -

" Ship not steering well. - wheel too strong - steersmen not used to it.

181. Passed Akers - saw a crowd of the Black on the middle bank again & the ship went broadside on the bank.

182. First to B'dad discharge passengers - then to Bagdad for coal. Dispute with Dr. Holmes - an old beggar.

183. Y. Marre - gave him my Bill of lading for ladies' stores.

24th. Last night the S. Barch went up with Nasser barcha - towing about with 200 soldiers to punish some Arabs in 3 or 4 places who had refused to pay the balance.

of the case due to the agent. - at Medina an Arab tried to shoot his son Nagel: he fled on a sheik for not paying the mari.

184. Mr. Castro shipping 5 boxes of l.d. Union - pair 15 - which l.d. brought down - he has sent 10 by the Mail Steamer to his estates at the Caye.

185. A cow from Hagi Yfendi to the collection of brooms at B'dad.

" Mr. Fayard expected B. A. at land.

" Yesterday mortality from the Plague in B'dad 47

" No strictness in quarantine at Garat Ali - the guards are here with us from Anara - smuggles passengers to B'dad so long as he gets paid something in return.

P. 186. Left Garat Ali to B'dad - Ship agt bark - but saw plenty of Anara - S. B'dad with l.d. Union's ship etc for towed down to land.

Capt. Holland complained of his legs swelling.

P. 187. Plague not increasing - 30-45 daily.

188. ft. many thurstions: - jms in berths in gardens - last Capt. Holland no longer eat or sleep.

189. MAY.

Est. - No. of deaths - 54 - mostly in Garat Ali & Beni Saad.

190. Russians occupying Kess.

191. After l.d. - Capt. Holland ill - lost use of speech.

192. l.f. of Lerdan - quarantine Garat Ali - after in deck for repairs -

193. Capt. Holland sent - telegram to Dr. Bell.

194. Antine to be granted B'dad Residence.

" Capt. Holland laid on deck - last 5 days.

195. Carley to join Blaise Lynch - H. to rest.