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DAY BOOK OF ANNE COUNTESS OF PEMBROOK  
January 14th 1676 as the year begins on  
New years Day.

Remarks.

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The 1st day and this forenoon.... Mrs. Winch  
(that is Mother to Mr. Thomas Sandford of  
Askham).... Kendall, and with her I had  
also Mrs. Cabetis into my Chamber and spoke  
to her a good while and a Little after they  
went from me.... horseback out of this  
Brougham Castle.

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TELEPHONE  
AND  
TELEGRAMS  
GUILDFORD 1053.

FROM  
DOCTOR WILLIAMSON.

MOUNT MANOR HOUSE,  
MOUNT STREET,  
GUILDFORD, SURREY.

December 8th, 1930.

The Honourable  
Mrs. Harold Nicolson.

Dear Mrs. Nicolson,

There has recently been discovered in a house in  
Cumberland a manuscript, written probably by a member of the  
Hasell family, in all probability by that member of the family  
who was Lady Anne's steward, filling several of the missing gaps  
of the diary already in existence of the last few weeks of Lady  
Anne Clifford's life.

You will recall that in one of the chapters in my book,  
(p.265-280), I gave in full the information that was then available  
concerning the very end of her life, and also the additions that  
were made to the manuscript by two other persons concerning her  
decease.

This newly discovered manuscript is far more complete  
than the one which I copied and used in my book, and its owner,  
Mr. Atkinson, has been kind enough to copy out all the parts  
of it that were missing in the document that came under my  
consideration when I was doing the book. It does supply a few  
more pieces of interesting information concerning Lady Anne than  
have hitherto been available, ~~however~~ and as I know your interest  
in her, I wonder whether you would like to peruse the typescript  
of it. If so, I will send it to you with pleasure, for you to  
see. Eventually, I have no doubt, it will be published in the  
Proceedings of the Cumberland and Westmorland Archaeological  
Society, but, unless you happen to be a member of that Society,  
you would probably not see it.

Curiously enough, some information has recently come  
to hand concerning a manuscript that belonged to Lady Anne's  
mother, called "The Praise of a Solitary Life". She records  
reading it, but there seems to be no doubt now, in view of the  
freshly discovered information, that it was actually written by  
Samuel Daniell, who was Lady Anne's own tutor, because there is

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sweet and dear Meg; the "dear pledge" of Lord Cumberland'

Introducing Note,

a brief account of the life of Lady Anne  
Clifford, Countess of Dorset, Pembroke, and  
Montgomery, 1590-1676.

professor nor ret urged by necessity thereto, yet  
such was his lordship's natural inclination.\* On eleven  
separate occasions his lordship's natural inclination prompted  
him to fit out a fleet (at his own expense,) and to  
set sail for the River Plate, for Costa Rica, the Azores,  
the Canaries, or the coast of Portugal, with the frank  
intention of plundering such towns as he could  
reduce and of taking captive such foreign merchantmen  
as he should encounter. He was wounded in battle,  
he nearly died of thirst, he was all but wrecked, but,  
undeterred, ~~the~~ <sup>after each</sup> on his return to England he ~~would~~ at  
once set about organising a fresh expedition; his spark  
of adventure further kindled and inflamed by former  
disasters.

**THE DIARY  
OF LADY  
ANNE  
CLIFFORD**



**VITA  
SACKVILLE-  
WEST**

**MANUSCRIPT**

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