

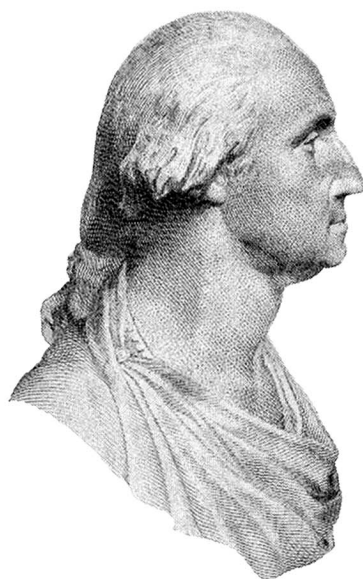
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Where & how - my time is - disposed of
Mar. 1. M^{rs}. "Hops" and Wagerer were
away after breakfast. - I did to my
business Ditcher in the forenoon - in
the aft. soon doct. Crank came. -

2. The Doct^r & I set off for Winchester
- dined at Triplets and lodged at West.
3. Dined at Barry (on Sharon dock) and
reached Greenway Court in the After
noon where we staid all night -
4. Reached Winchester to Dinner accor
ding to appointment with the Officer
to claim 1/2 part of the 20000 Ac^{res} of land.
5. At Winchester all day. - Dined with
Lord Fairfax. -
6. Dined at my lodging which was at
M^{rs} M^{rs} Bishes and went home with
my B^r M^{rs} and Washington in evening.
7. At my Brothers all day writing Instru
tions & dispatches for Cap^t M. Crawford
the Surveyor of 20000 Ac^{res} of land.
8. Ditto - about Ditto. -
9. Finished Ditto for M^r Marcus Ste
phenson - who was to be the bearer of
them. - M^r Dick & the two M^{rs} Nurses
dined at my Brothers today.
10. Dined at M^{rs} Nurses & returned to
my Brothers in the evening.
11. Set off from my Brothers for M^r
Warr Washington's on my return
Home. -
12. Left M^r Washington's & crossing
at Nickers's (where I eat an early
Dinner) reached Leesburg betw^{en} 4
& 5 o'clock - in the afternoon.
13. Reached home after being obliged to fer
ry over Goose Creek at Houghs Mill &
coming round by Elgers - found Doct^r
Crank here.

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vance him £80, collecting money for that purpose not only from officers but now for the first time from former rank-and-file members of the regiment also. Each field officer was assessed £11 5s., each captain £6 15s., each subaltern £4 10s., and each common soldier a fourth of a subaltern's share (minutes of the officers of the Virginia Regiment, 5 Mar. 1771, DLC:GW).

6. Dined at my Lodging which was at Mr. Philp. Bushes and went home with my Br. Mr. Saml. Washington in the Eveng.

Philip Bush (1732–1812) reputedly offered the best accommodations in Winchester at his Golden Buck Inn, a handsome two-story stone building on Cameron Street. He was born in Mannheim, Germany, and settled in Winchester about 1762 (NORRIS [1], 178; GREENE [3], 127).

7. At my Brothers all day writing Instructions & dispatches for Captn. Crawford the Surveyor of our 200,000 Acs. of Land.

8. Ditto—About Ditto.

9. Finished Ditto for Mr. Marcus Stephenson—who was to be the bearer of them. Mr. Dick & the two Mr. Nurses dined at my Brothers today.

Marcus Stephenson of Frederick County was a half brother of William Crawford. Mr. Dick is probably Charles Dick of Fredericksburg, who owned land on Patterson's Creek in Hampshire County (*Va. Gaz.*, P&D, 17 Oct. 1771). THE TWO MR. NURSES: James Nourse (1731–1784) and his son Joseph Nourse (1754–1841), who lived at Piedmont, about two miles east of Harewood. James Nourse was born in Herefordshire, Eng., and in 1753 married Sarah Fouace in London. They left London with their nine children in 1769 and settled at Piedmont a year later (LYLE, 8–10, 24).

10. Dined at Mr. Nurses, & returnd to my Brother's in the Evening.

11. Set of from my Brother's for Mr. Warnr. Washington's on my return Home.

12. Left Mr. Washingtons, & crossing at Snickers's (where I eat an early Dinner) reach'd Leesburg betwn. 4 & 5 Oclock in the Afternoon.

Leesburg, founded in 1758, was the county seat of Loudoun County. The English traveler Nicholas Cresswell described the town in 1774 as "regularly laid off in squares, but very indifferently built and few inhabitants and little trade, tho' very advantageously situated, for it is at the conjunction of the great Roads from the North part of the Continent to the South and the East and the West" (GRESSWELL, 48).

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