Anne Lister transcripts
Glossary

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Key
Anne Lister: AL
Shibden Hall: SH
Ann Walker: AW

A

Abbott, John: Manufacturer (woolstapler), Halifax. Marian Lister’s fiancé

Adam, Thomas: Partner with Robert Parker, AL’s Halifax lawyer; office at 6, Square.

Ainsworth, Reverend Thomas and Mrs: After his wife’s sudden death (Oct 1832), Ainsworth pursued AW.

Alexander I: (1777-1825), Emperor of Russia 1801-1825.

Alexander, Dr Gervaise: (1773-1856), Halifax medical man, the third son of Robert Alexander (1739-1822), a surgeon and apothecary who lived at Hopwood Hall, Halifax.

Angeulême, Duc d’: (1775-1844), Elder son of Comte d’Artois (who in 1820 became Charles X) and Marie-Thérèse of Savoy.

Angeulême, Duchesse d’: (1778-1851), Marie-Thérèse, daughter of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette and niece to Comte d’Artois, she was thus first cousin to her husband.

Artois, Comte d’: See Charles X.

Atkinson, Mr and Mrs: Aunt and uncle-in-law of AW, probably related to her mother, Mary Edwards, and probably lived in Huddersfield.

Audoin, M: Lecturer on geology at the Jardin des Plantes. [AL 24.04.1829 and 27.05.1829, SH7/ML/E/12].

B
Bado, Francesco: An Italian courier engaged by AL from the 27 April 1832. However, as her plans to travel abroad did not materialise, she dismissed him a month later.
Ball: One of Jeremy Lister’s working-horses at Shibden.

Barlow, Mrs Maria: Guernsey-born widow of a Lieutenant-Colonel Barlow, who was killed at the Battle of Salamanca during the Napoleonic Wars. She was a resident guest at 24, Place Vendôme. Eventually she and AL became lovers.

Barlow, Miss Jane: Daughter of Mrs Maria Barlow, aged about thirteen at this time.

Bates, Henry: Probably wheelwright, Washer Lane, Halifax.

Belcombe, Anne (Nantz): (1785-1847), Sarah Anne Sherson Belcombe, sister to Mariana Lawton, née Belcombe.


Belcombe, Mariana Percy: (n.d.), Baby daughter of Dr and Mrs Henry Stephen Belcombe. AL and Mariana Lawton were to stand as sponsors (or godparents) at her christening.

Belcombe, Mrs Marianna: (1760-1842), Wife of Dr William Belcombe, mother to Mariana Lawton. Also mother to Anne, Eliza, Henry Stephen and Louisa Belcombe.

Belcombe, Dr Henry Stephen (Steph): Brother of Mariana Lawton, née Belcombe and the only son of Dr and Mrs William Belcombe; friend of AL who consulted him about AW.

Belcombe, Mrs Steph: (n.d. - 1849), Harriet, wife of Dr Henry Stephen Belcombe (1790-1856).

Belcombe, Dr William: (1757-1828), Father to Mariana Lawton (née Belcombe) and Anne, Eliza, Henry Stephen and Louisa Belcombe. He was a York doctor specialising in the care of the mentally ill. He ran an asylum at Clifton on the outskirts of York.

Bentley, Miss: Sister-in-law of Rev Ainsworth and friend of AW.

Berri, Duchesse de: (1798-1870), Marie-Caroline de Bourbon-Sicile. Daughter of Francis I of the Two Sicilies. Her husband, Duc de Berri, son of Charles X, had been assassinated in 1820.
Bonaparte, Napoleon: (1769-1821), Born in Corsica, educated in France and became an army officer in 1785. He fought during the French Revolution and was made a General. In 1799 he achieved supreme power in France and instituted a military dictatorship. Became First Consul (1799-1804) and Emperor of the French (1804-1814/15). Finally defeated by Wellington at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815. He died in exile on the island of St Helena.

Booth, John: Manservant and gardener at SH, father of Joseph and Charlotte.

Bottomley, John: Shibden tenant, Brierley Hill (9 acres), Southowram township; had vote in new Halifax borough.

Bourdeaux, Duc de: (1820-1883), Henri-Charles-Ferdinand-Marie, Comte de Chambord. He was the posthumous son of the assassinated Duc de Berri and grandson of Charles X.

Boyve, Madame de: Proprietress of 24, Place Vendôme, Paris.

Boyve, de: Son of Madame de Boyve.

Bramley, Mrs and Miss: Friends of AL in Halifax when she was young.

Briggs, James: Shibden steward; died September 1832.

Briggs, Rawdon: Halifax banker, a Whig, MP for Halifax borough 1832-5.

Brodie, Sir Benjamin Collins: (1783-1862), Royal physician and surgeon to George IV, William IV and Queen Victoria.

Brougham. Henry Peter: (1778-1868), Baron Brougham and Vaux. MP for Knaresborough and, later, Yorkshire. He defended Queen Caroline during her trial in 1820. Became Lord Chancellor. Founded London University in 1828.

Brougniart, M: Lecturer in mineralogy at the Jardin des Plantes.

Brown Mr: AW’s drawing master (eg Yorkshire dales sketching trip, May 1834).

Buckinghamshire, Earl of: George Hobart (1732-1804), Son of John Hobart, first Earl. M.P. for St Ives, 1754-61; for Beeralston, 1761-80; secretary for St Petersburg embassy, 1762. Succeeded as third earl 1793.

Burnett: Maidservant to Mrs Norcliffe of Langton Hall.

Bury, Miss: fellow-patient of Miss Maclean’s undergoing Mr Long’s treatment.

Byron, Lord George Gordon: (1788-1824), English poet of the Romantic period (c.1789-1832). His dissolute lifestyle and dramatic poetry created the concept of the “Byronic hero”.
C
Cameron, Catherine: New maidservant employed by AL for service to the Lister’s in Paris.

Cameron, Captain Donald: Of Lochiel. Married Vere Hobart, 31 July 1832.

Cameron, Lady Vere: niece of Sibella MacLean, great-niece of Lady Stuart; shared a house with AL in Hastings 1831-1832; married Captain Cameron July 1832; became Lady Vere Cameron Sep 1832; remained a close AL correspondent.

Camidge, Dr: York doctor, brother of Mr Cammidge.

Camidge, Mr: English clergyman in Moscow.

Canning, George: (1770-1827), Tory statesman. Became Prime Minister in the year of his death.

Carr, John: Proprietor of the White Swan Inn, Halifax in the 1830s.

Catalani, Madame Angelica: (1780-1849), Italian operatic soprano. In 1819 she retired from the operatic stage and founded a school near Florence.

Catherine II: (1729-1796), Catherine the Great, Empress of Russia 1762-1796.

Charles X: (1757-1836). Formerly Comte d’Artois, he became king following the death of Louis XVIII in 1824 but his increasingly authoritarian and religious policies forced him off the throne during the July Revolution of 1830. His cousin, Duc d’Orleans, became the ‘citizen-king’ of France in his stead.

Chateaubriand, M. de: (1768-1848), (Francois-Auguste-Rene, Vicomte de) diplomat and author. One of the first writers of the Romantic Movement in France.

Christopher: manservant to the Lawton family.

Clanricarde, Lord: British ambassador at St Petersburg.

Clarke, Dr: Mariana Lawton’s London doctor.

Clarke, Mrs: Relative of AW; possibly the widow of AW’s brother John, since remarried.

Cookson: Shibden servant.

Cordingley: Shibden servant.

Coulthurst, Rev. Dr William: Vicar of Halifax from 1790-1817. [THAS, 1990, p.44.].
Crewe, Willoughby: (1792-?). A descendent of the Crewe family of Crewe Hall, Cheshire, Rector of Warmingham, Chester (1816-1836), he was a devoted friend and would-be lover of Mariana Lawton.

Crossley, Mr: Halifax barber.

Crowder: The Halifax librarian.

Cuvier, Georges: (1769-1832), Zoologist and statesman, he established the sciences of anatomy and palaeontology.

Dalton, James and family: relatives of the Norcliffes, lived at the Rectory, Croft near Darlington.

Day: Hastings shopkeeper

Day, Mr: Doctor

Decantes, Mme: Parisian dressmaker.

Dickons, Mr: York barrister and magistrate. In 1818 he became involved in the abduction of a patient from Dr Belcombe's Clifton asylum. See Hutton, Clifton and its People in the Nineteenth Century, Yorkshire Philosophical Society, 1969.

Disney, Dr: (1769 - ?) Dr Disney Alexander, a member of the highly resepected Alexander family in the Halifax of AL's day. See THAS (1947) 'Alexanders of Halifax' by R. Bretton.

Dodgson, Henry: Shibden tenant, Lower Place (20 acres), Southowram township.

Drummond, Miss: A friend of Vere Hobart's.

Duffin, Maria: (n.d.), Niece of Mr William Duffin, she lived in Ireland but visited her uncle in York from time to time.

Duffin, William: (1747-1839), Head surgeon in the employ of the Indian Medical Service. Retired from that post in 1797. He and his first wife, Elizabeth Duffin (1742 – 1823), settled at Red House, near York and also kept a town house in the city at 58, Micklegate. He built up a medical practice there and, combining his medical career with his civic duties, became a greatly respected member of the city. [Y.G. 28.9.1839. p.5]. Following the death of his close friend and medical colleague in the Indian Medical Service, William Raine, Duffin became the guardian of Raine's two young daughters, Jane and Eliza, the latter of whom became AL's first known lover when they were boarders at the Manor School in York. The Duffins, along with Miss Marsh, were hospitable hosts to AL whenever she visited York.
Duglos, Monsieur: Regular visitor to 24 Place Vendôme.

Duncan, Mr: Undertaker and supplier of funeral clothing for SH; possibly also woollen drapers, 9 Corn Market, Halifax.

Dunn, Mr: A Scarborough medical man who prescribed medication for Mariana Lawton during the period of her father’s death and funeral in Scarborough. [AL 18.11.28, SH7/ML/E/11].

Dyson, Mrs: Of a wealthy mercantile family; lived at Willowfield, outside Halifax near Sowerby Bridge.

Edwards, Henry (senior): Brother of AW’s mother; local woollen manufacturing family. As uncle, became co-trustee of AW’s father’s will; lived at Pye Nest, Sowerby Bridge; member of local Anglican Tory elite.

Edwards, Henry (junior): Cousin of AW, and actively supported Tory candidate at election time; lived at Pye Nest, Sowerby Bridge.

Fisher: Manservant to the Norcliffe family at their town house, No. 9, Petergate, York.

Fox, Henry Stephen: (1791-1846), Nephew of Charles James Fox (1749-1806), the great Whig statesman. Grandson of Henry Fox, 1st Baron Holland who, in 1767, bought Holland House which became the social and political centre for the Whig party.

Fraser, Andrew: suitor to AW. Died July 1832


Freeman, Miss: Probably daughter of Samuel Freeman.

Galitzin, Prince: Governor-General of Moscow.


Galvani, Luigi: (1737-1798), Italian physician and physicist, whose work on the nature of electricity combined with that of Volta (1745-1827), led to the age of electric power.

Garlick, Mr: Surgeon, Broad Street, Halifax.

Gibbon, Edward: (1737-94), Author of *The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire* (1776-88); retired to Lausanne.
Gordon, Lady Caroline Duff: A friend of Lady Stuart de Rothesay’s whom AL met at Aix-la-Chapelle.

Gray: Landscape gardener who worked on Shibden improvements, c1837.

Gray, Jonathan: York lawyer; AL and AW visited to be advised on complex legal matters, including the rewriting of their wills.

Green, Aquilla: Tenant, Mytholm; interested in leasing steam-powered mill from AW.

Greenwood, Thomas: Shibden tenant, Park Farm (21 acres), Southowram township; cabinet maker.

Greenwood, Mrs: of Crosshills, Halifax.

Greenwood, Caroline: One of Mrs Greenwood of Croshills daughters. AL was a fairly frequent visitor at their home when a young woman.

Gross: AL’s German manservant.

Grotza: AL’s English maidservant and wife to Gross.

H
Haas, Dr: physician to the Moscow prisoners.

Hagemann, Lady Harriet de: Relative of Lady Stuart de Rothsay and Vere Hobart’s half-sister. Her husband was the charge d’affaires at Copenhagen.

Hagemann, de: Son of Lady de Hagemann

Hall, Joseph: Shibden tenant, Little Marsh (8 acres), Southowram township.

Hamilton, Mrs: Friend of “old” Lady Stuart’s.

Hammersley: Hammersley & Co. AL’s London bankers.

Harper, John: Architect from York; in 1835-6 AL engaged him to design and plan her improvements to Shibden.

Hardcastle, William: Shibden tenant, Roydelands (13 acres); enfranchised in the West Riding county constituency.

Hawkins, Mrs: proprietress of Hawkins’ Hotel at 26 Dover Street, Piccadilly, and also of rooms at 26, Albemarle Street. AL stayed frequently at both addresses when in London.

Heap, Hannah: Servant, probably of the Sutherlands, AW’s married sister.
Henri IV: (1553-1610), First Bourbon king of France (1589-1610).

Hinscliffe, James: Local coal operator.

Hird, Lamplugh: AW’s Lidgate tenant from autumn 1832.

Hobart, Vere: See Cameron, Vere.

Hodgson, Mr: Halifax constable and miller by trade.

Horton, Mr: Halifax magistrate.

Hofland, Thomas Christopher: (1777-1843), Landscape painter and founder member of the Society of British Painter. He was a regular exhibitor at the Royal Academy.

Holt, James: AL’s coal steward; lived at High Royd, Halifax, played a key role in the development of the small Shibden coal mines in the 1830s.

Hope, Thomas: (1770-1831), English novelist and writer on art. His novel, Anastasius (1819) established his name in literature.

Howard, Mrs: hotel proprietress at Moscow where AL and AW stayed during the winter of 1839-40.

Howarth, Charles: (& his son James) Shibden tenant, Ireland (16 acres), Southowram township.

Hoyland: A Halifax portrait-painter.

Hudsons, Misses Martha and Hannah: Daughters of the Rev. Richard Hudson of Hipperholme.


Hunt, Henry: (1733-1835), M.P. for Preston, Lancashire (1830-33). Hunt was a radical politician who was known as “Orator Hunt” for his impassioned speeches advocating parliamentary reform. He presided at the Manchester meeting and was sentenced to two years imprisonment for the part he played in it. His radical activities and those of others with him helped to bring about the Reform Act of 1832.

Husband, Lawrence: Became AL’s clerk-of-the-works, spring 1836.

Inman family: Distant relatives of AL on her mother’s side; Sarah Inman became Marian Lister’s protégée.
J
James: Manservant at SH.

Jubb, Mr: Lister family doctor.

Juilliart, M: Medical student from Geneva who was studying in Paris to become a surgeon. [AL 20.01.1830, SH7/ML/E/12].

K
Kasembek: Persian professor, head of Oriental studies at the University of Kazan.

Kean, Edmund: (1787-1833). One of the greatest of English tragedians.

Kenny, Dr: A family doctor; friend of Marian Lister.

Kidd, Mrs: Resident guest at 24 Place Vendôme.

Knight, Rev Samuel: Became Vicar of Halifax. A scholarly man, AL had studied with him, including geometry, rhetoric, Latin and Greek.

L
Laloy, Mademoiselle: Daughter of M. Laloy, 27, rue de Clery, AL’s valet de place, recommended to her in 1819 by Mary Best. [AL 17.05.1819, SH7/ML/E/3].

Langier, M: Lecturer on chemistry at the Jardin des Plantes. [AL 05.05.1829, SH7/ML/E/12].

Lawton, Charles Bourne: (1771-1860). Squire of Lawton Hall in the village of Church Lawton, Cheshire. Major local landowners in the area for many centuries. Charles was educated at Trinity College, Cambridge. His first wife, Ann, died in childbirth in 1814. The child died with her. In 1816, he married Mariana Belcombe, daughter of Dr Belcombe of York and AL’s lover. There were no children of the marriage. Mariana’s marriage left AL broken-hearted. For more information on the Lawton family and their estate see The Landscape and Rural Community of Church Lawton, 1600-1840. A study submitted for the University Certificate in Local History by Ashley Wood. 1987. Adult Education Department, University of Keele.

Lawton, Mariana: (1790-1868). AL’s lover. Married Charles Bourne Lawton (1771-1860) in 1816. To read about AL’s doomed love affair with Mariana see Whitbread, Own Heart.

Lawton, Mr: Brother to Charles Lawton. One of five sons of the family.
Leopold, Prince: (1790-1865). Became first king of the Belgians (1831-1865). In 1816 he married Charlotte, the only child of the future George IV. She died in childbirth in 1817. [For AL’s comments on this occasion see AL 08.11.1817 and 25.11.1817, SH7/ML/E/1. For a more detailed account see AL 16.04.1818, SH7/ML/E/2]. In 1832 he married Marie-Louise of Orléans, daughter of the French king, Louis-Philippe.

Leopold: laquais de place hired by AL in Moscow.

Lister, Anne (senior): (1765-1836). AL’s unmarried aunt who kept house for her bachelor brother, James Lister, at the family home, SH, Halifax, West Yorkshire. AL was always very appreciative of all her aunt had done for her, having a genuine affection for her. Of all AL’s family Aunt Anne remained the closest.

Lister, James: (1748-1826). AL’s bachelor uncle and owner of SH and its estates. James had a high estimation of the abilities of his unusual niece. Knowing AL would not marry and aware of her estate management skills, he left Shibden to her in his will.

Lister, Capt. Jeremy: (1752-1836). AL’s father and brother to Anne (senior), James and Joseph Lister. He was eighteen when, in 1770, he received his commission as an Ensign in the 10th Regiment of Foot. A veteran of the American War of Independence, he was wounded at the Battle of Lexington. He rose to the rank of Captain before resigning his commission in 1806 and settling down to farm, very improvidently, at Skelfler. For a fuller account of Capt. Lister’s career see the article by H. Armitage, THAS, 1966.

Lister, Joseph: (1750-1817). AL’s Uncle Joseph of the elegant town house Northgate House, Halifax. Although married twice he died without issue. (See Liddington, Female Fortune p.5 for ‘The Listers of Shibden Hall Family Tree’. For a detailed account of Joseph Lister’s death see Whitbread, Own Heart. pp. 18-22).

Lister, Marian: (1797-1882), AL’s younger sister; AL found her irksome and, with quarrels over inheritance, their relationship chilled in the 1830s.

Lister, Mary: (Aunt Lister) (n.d. – 1822) (but see SH3/LF), Née Fawcett; daughter of General Sir William Fawcett. In 1795 she became the second wife of Joseph Lister of Northgate House. There were no children of the marriage. On her death in 1822 Northgate House became the property of James Lister of SH. On James Lister’s death in 1826, AL inherited the property as part of the Shibden estate.

Lister, Rebecca: (1770-1817), née Battle. AL’s mother. Born in Welton, near Brough in the East Riding of Yorkshire. Married Captain Jeremy Lister on 2 August 1788. There were six children of the marriage, three of whom, all boys, died in childhood. The fourth son, Samuel, died in a drowning accident whilst serving in the army in Ireland.
Lister, Samuel: (1793-1813), Brother to AL and second son of Captain Jeremy and Rebecca Lister. He drowned in a bathing accident while on active service with the army in Fermpy, Eire.

Long, John StJohn: (1798-1834). Born in Ireland where he studied art as an adult, St John came to London where he quickly became a quack doctor, claiming to have found an original method of treating consumption (tuberculosis) and rheumatism. Two of his patients died from the effects of his treatment and he was tried for manslaughter, escaping the first guilty verdict by paying a massive fine and on the second charge he was acquitted.

Louis-Philippe: (1773-1850). Eldest son of Louis-Philippe – Joseph, Duc d’Orleans and Adelaide de Bourbon-Penthievre. He became king of the French in 1830 after the abdication of Charles X. In 1848 he too was forced off the throne. He went to live in England where he died two years later.

Louis XIV: (1638-1715). Became known as the Sun King during his reign of France (1643-1715) because of the brilliance of his court at Versailles. From there, he raised the concept of absolutism to new heights by concentrating all state powers in his own person.

Louis XVI: (1754-1793). Succeeded to the French throne in 1774 and reigned until the abolition of the French monarchy by the French Revolutionary forces on 21 September 1792. He was condemned to death and guillotined on the Place de la Revolution.

Louis XVIII: (1755-1824). The first of the Bourbon monarchs to be restored to the throne of France after the fall of Napoleon. Apart from the One Hundred Days of Napoleon’s return to Paris after his escape from Elba in 1815, Louis XVIII reigned from 1814 to 1824. He was succeeded by his brother, Charles X, previously Comte d’Artois.

Lund, Mr: Carrier of letters between AL and Eliza Raine (York), c 1806.

Luscombe, Bishop: Michael Henry Thornhill, M.A. (Camb.) (1766-1846). Consecrated to a Continental bishopric by the bishops of the Scottish Episcopal Church and appointed Embassy Chaplain at Paris in 1825.

M

Mackenzie, Mrs: Resident guest at 24 Place Vendôme.

Mackenzie, Miss: Daughter of Mrs Mackenzie.

MacLean, Sibella (& sister Bredalbane): Of Tobermory, Scotland and Vere Hobart’s aunt. AL met Sibella MacLean through the Belcombes in York; died 1830.

Mallinson, John (and son James): Proprietor of Stag’s Head inn, Mytholm.
Mann, Joseph: Key member of AL’s ‘coal’ brothers and was appointed AL’s ‘master miner’.

Mann, Robert: Appointed AL’s ‘out-works at home’.

Marsh, Mary Jane: (born Margaret 1771 – 1855). Daughter of the Rev. Philomen Marsh, Rector of Martin-cum-Gregory, York. Friend and general confidante of the young women in AL’s York circle. Lived at Micklegate, York, near the home of Mr Duffin. Acted as companion to the ailing Mrs Duffin and became Mr Duffin’s mistress. Mrs Duffin died in 1823 and Mr Duffin and Miss Marsh were married on 20th September 1826 at Holy Trinity Church, Micklegate, York. [See Y.G. 30.09.1826 [AL 29.20.1826, SH7/ML/E].

Marsh, Mr: Brother to Miss Marsh of York.

McDonald: Scottish maidservant to the Listers in Paris.

Mellin, Mr & Misses: Probably chemist and druggist, Silver Street, Halifax.

Middleton, Mrs: Resident guest at 24 Place Vendôme.

Mills: Halifax grocer.


Milne, Harriet: (1787-1860), Henrietta Willan Milne, née Belcombe. Married to Lieutenant-Colonel Milne, sister to Mariana Lawton. Harriet had earned a scandalous reputation in York by conducting numerous love affairs with other men whilst married to Milne. See Whitbread No Priest, pp.146-153 for an account of her attempt to seduce AL.

Mitchell, Mr: Friend of AL’s family c 1806.

Molière: (1622-1673), French comic dramatist, hailed as the father of French modern comedy.

Montagu, Mr: (n.d.). A naval commander and early admirer of AL. She firmly rejected his attempts to woo her. [AL 29.01.1821, SH7/ML/E/4].

Montague, Lady Mary Wortley: (1689-1762). English bluestocking who gained literary fame by the posthumous publication of her Letters from the East.

Moore, William: Becomes AL’s Staups tenant.

Morgan, John: Coachman at Lawton Hall.

Mounsey: Halifax hosier.
Musgrave, Rev Dr Charles: Vicar of the unusually large Parish of Halifax (from 1827-1875); married to Ellen Waterhouse; member of Halifax Tory elite.

N
Naylor, George: Shibden tenant, Upper Place (farm, 20 acres), Southowram township.

Nicholas I: (1796-1855), Emperor of Russia 1825-1855.

Noé, Count de: A courtier at the French court, he lived at No. 5 Rue de l'Université. AL describes him as “Comte de Noé, Pair de France, Gentilhomme de la chamber roi”. [AL 05.11.1826, SH7/ML/E/10].

Norbury: Vere Hobart’s maidservant.

Norcliffe, Mrs Anne: (1762-1835) of Langton Hall. Mother of Isabella Norcliffe.

Norcliffe, Charlotte: (1788-1844). Second daughter of Lieutenant – Colonel Thomas and Mrs Ann Norcliffe of Langton Hall.

Norcliffe, Emily: (1799-1817). Youngest of the Norcliffe daughters, Emily died in Brussels whilst on a tour of the Continent with her family. The cause of death appears to be tuberculosis. [AL 27.12.1817, SH7/ML/E/1817].

Norcliffe, Isabella (Tib): (1785-1846), Eldest daughter of the Norcliffes and one-time lover of AL.

Norris, Charles: Brother of William Norris, clerk to the navigation company; Bull-close, Halifax.

O

Oddy, Mrs: SH servant.

Ouseley, Sir Gore: (1770-1844), Diplomat. Appointed ambassador to the Parisian court in 1810.

Ouseley, Lady Harriet Georgina: Daughter of John Whitelock and wife of Sir Gore Ouseley, whom she married in 1806.

Outram, Mr: Manufacturer, lama-hair mill, West Riding.

P
Page, Mrs: Maidservant to Maria Barlow.

Paley, Dr: Halifax medical man.
Panin, Countess A: wife of Count Panin, both of whom were involved with Moscow University.

Parker: Miss Maclean’s doctor.

Parker, Robert: AL’s Halifax lawyer; office at 6, Square; responsible for most of AL’s routine (eg conveyancing) legal transactions from c1829.

Parker, Mr: The Parker family, of 45 Harley Street, were friends of Miss Maclean’s.

Parkhill, Harriet: A friend of AW c1832, prone to gossip.

Paul, Emperor: Paul I (1754-1801), Emperor of Russia 1796-1801.

Pearson, Henry: Had been Stump Cross Inn tenant.

Pearson, John: Shibden tenant, Mytholmroyd farm (20 acres), Hipperholme-cum-Brighouse township.

Pearson, Thomas: Shibden tenant, Denmark (15 acres), Southowram township.

Percival, Miss: Of Acomb, near York, an old schoolfellow of AL’s.

Peter the Great: (1672-1725), Emperor of Russia 1682-1725.

Pickles, Joseph: (& his sons George, John & Robert). Undertook odd jobs at Shibden, including landscaping work.

Pierre, Eugénie: Introduced to AL by Mariana Lawton; becomes AL’s travelling maid.

Pierre: Probably the “livery servant” to whom AL refers in the entry dated Sat 20.06.1829.

Playforth, George: Manservant and groom to the Lister family.

Plowes, Mrs: Aunt of AW; daughter Henrietta was AW’s god-daughter.

Poore, Miss: A young acquaintance whom AL met when staying at Croft, near Darlington, with the Dalton family, relatives of the Norcliffe’s. [AL 14.01.1830 and 15.01.1830, SH7/ML/E/12].

Pope, Miss: Resident guest at Place Vendôme.

Priestley, Mrs: Lydia Priestley (d 1820), wife of Joseph Priestley (1750-1819), of White Windows, Sowerby (old lady).

Priestley, Mr & Mrs George: (1786-1849), eldest son of Joseph & Lydia Priestley of White Windows, Sowerby; 1819 married wealthy Hannah Kirkman; lived at White Windows.


Priestley, John: (1754-1801), Died 5 years before AL’s diary began; but important for understanding relationships among local elite families. In 1776 he married Elizabeth Walker, AW’s father’s sister, so linking together the Walker and Edwards families with the extensive Priestleys; this helps explain why AW had so many significant kin in the Halifax-Sowerby area.


Priestley, William: (1770-1860). AW’s older cousin (son of her father’s sister, Elizabeth Walker and John Priestley); co-trustee appointed by her father’s will; married Eliza Priestley, 1808; lived at New House, Lightcliffe. A musical patron; AL respected him, but during the 1830s her relationship with him became tense.

Priestley, Eliza: Married William Priestley in 1808; daughter of William Paley, theologian; lived at New House, Lightcliffe; a more worldly woman than many of AL’s local friends, she was a confidante of AL – for a time.

Protheroe, Edward: Radical candidate, Halifax general election, January 1835.

R
Rachel: Shibden kitchen maid early 1830s.

Radzivilli, Princess: belonged to the highest rank of Russian nobility, daughter of Prince and Princess Ourosoff.

Raine, Eliza: (1791-1860). Younger daughter of William Raine, employed by the East India Company. Eliza’s mother, of whom there is no record, was a native of India. Eliza and her elder sister, Jane, were born at Velpery, the Eurasian area of Madras town. In 1800 William Raine died on a voyage to England and the orphaned girls were placed under the guardianship of his close friend and colleague, William Duffin who brought the girls to England in 1803. They attended the Manor School in York in 1805 where they met AL. Eliza became AL’s first known lover. Sadly, in 1816, Eliza was declared a “lunatic” and placed under medical care. See the letters of Eliza Raine held by West Yorkshire Archive Service, Calderdale under the ref. SH7/ML/A.

Ralph, Sarah: Daughter of the Unitarian minister at Northgate End chapel.

Ranke, Leopold von: (1795-1886), Leading German historian, author of history of the Popes.
Rawson, Catherine: Daughter of Stansfield Rawson of Gledholt, Huddersfield; a younger cousin of AW and close friend; they travelled to the Lakes together.

Rawson, Christopher: (1777-1849), Hope House, Halifax, banker and J.P. Also Deputy Lieutenant of the county, Lord Mayor of the Manor of Southowram and treasurer of the turnpike road from Leeds. Although she shared his Tory politics, AL did not like his commercial interests, and their relationship grew competitive in the 1830s.

Rawson, Mrs John: (Elizabeth, née Preston), Ashgrove, Southowram.

Rawson, Mary: (1781-1870), née Priestley. Wife of William Henry Rawson; an older cousin of AW.

Rawson, Nelly: (c1753-1837), Stoney Royd, Halifax. Mother of Christopher, Stansfield, William Henry, John, Jeremiah, Thomas, Grace, Ellen, Emma and 3 others. One of the older ladies that AL was friends with.

Rawson, Stansfield (1778-1856) & Elizabeth (née Leach): Gledholt, Huddersfield, and daughters Catherine, Delia, and sons; attempted to negotiated with AL over coal lease.

Rawson, William Henry: (1781-1865), Married to Mary Priestley; lived Mill House, Sowerby; manufacturer.

Robert: the engineer on the Kingston steam packet on which AL, her father and her sister, Marian, travelled from Hull to London. [AL 31.08.22, SH7/ML/E/6]

Robinson, George & Mary: Shibden tenant, Lower Brea etc (27 acres), Hipperholme-cum-Brighouse township, wire mill.

Rosny, Madame de: Parisian friend of AL’s who lived at No 3, Rue Matignon and with whom AL stayed for a while. [AL 21.12.1827, SH7/ML/E/10].

Rothesay, Charles Stuart de: (1779-1845), British Ambassador to Paris, 1815-1824 and 1828-1830, amd St Petersburg, 1841-1844. Created Baron Stuart de Rothesay, 1828.

S
Sans, Mlle de: Resident guest at Place Vendôme.

Saltmarshe, Christopher: Married to Emma Rawson; died 1852; merchant family, still retaining a woollen cloth-dressing mill. Like Christopher Rawson, a member of the local Tory elite.

Saltmarshe, Emma: (died 1834), née Rawson, 1817 married Christopher Saltmarshe.

Séne, M: The proprietor of No 2, Place Neuve de la Madeleine and thus AL’s landlord. [SH7/ML/E/10].

Skeding, Rev. Samuel: (n.d – 1819), Vicar of Market Weighton and AL’s first Classics tutor. When she heard of his death she described him in her journal as ‘…my first Latin preceptor with whom I had the rudiments of my classical education in 1805 & the very early part of 1806…’ [AL 06.12.1819 SH7/ML/E]

Sorteval, Monsieur: Regular visitor to Place Vendôme.

Southey, Robert: (1774-1783), English poet of the Romantic period. Poet Laureate from 1813 to 1843.

Sowden, Samuel: Shibden tenant, Sutcliffe wood & Hilltop (12 acres), Hipperholme-cum-Brighouse township; outspoken on politics.

St Aubun, Monsieur: Regular visitor to Place Vendôme.

Staveleys: A Halifax family who lived at Savile Green, Halifax.

Stead, Miss: Halifax dressmaker and mantua-maker.

Stopford, Mr: Organist at Halifax Parish Church; taught singing.

Stocks, Joseph: Eldest son of Michael Stocks, whose radical politics AL detested; estate at head of the Shibden valley; developed coal mines.

Stuart, Charles: Vere’s cousin who was in love with her.

Stuart, Lady: Lived at Richmond Park, west London; great-aunt of Vere Hobart; aunt of James and John Stuart Wortley, who both became Tory candidates in Yorkshire; in regular correspondence with AL in the 1830s.

Stuart, Lady Elizabeth, née Yorke: (1790-186?), Wife of Lord Stuart de Rothesay, British ambassador to Paris.

Stuart, Louisa: (1818-91), Daughter of Sir Charles and Lady Elizabeth Stuart de Rothesay. Married the Marquess of Waterford in 1842. Became a gifted amateur artist and friend of Ruskin. [Thanks to Hazel Brothers for this information].

Stubbs, Mr: Young protégé of Rebecca Lister’s.

Sunderland, Mr: Lister family doctor.

Sutherland, Captain: Married Elizabeth Walker, AW’s sister, in 1828. During the 1830’s it became clear that he distrusted AL’s motives.
Sutherland, Elizabeth: (née Walker, 1801-44), AW’s sister married Captain Sutherland in 1828 and went to live at Udale House near Inverness. They had six children (Mary, George, Elizabeth, John, Evan Charles and Ann) of whom three died young.

Sutherland, John: AW’s nephew, died March 1836.

Sutherland, Mary: AW’s niece, visits summer 1837.

T
Talma, François-Joseph: (1763-1826), French actor. Greatest tragedian, anti-monarchist, pro-Republican, admired by Napoleon.

Throp, William: Nurseryman, Halifax, from whom AL and AW select plants; remained unenfranchised.

Town, Mark: Shibden tenant.

Turnevelli (or Tournevelli): Professor at the University of Kazan.

V
Vallance, Mary: Brewer’s daughter from Sittingbourne, Kent. Friend of the Norcliffe family.

Vallance, Mr: A brewer from Sittingbourne, Kent. Father to Mary Vallance.

Vavasour, Lady: A Lady Vavasour was mentioned by AL as being a member of York’s elite social circle. [AL 11.12.1817, SH7/ML/E/1].

Veitch, Mrs: Bosom friend of Aunt Anne Lister and frequent visitor to SH.

W
Waldheim, Mme Fischer de: wife to M. de Fischer de Waldheim. Their son was head of the Botanical Gardens in Moscow.

Walker, Ann: (1803-1854), Second daughter of John and Mary Walker; both of whom died when she was nineteen; often ill and suffered from melancholy; autumn 1832, courted by AL and became AL’s life-partner, moving into SH in September 1834. See also Elizabeth Sutherland.

Walker, John: (1753-1823), Father of AW and Elizabeth Sutherland. Halifax merchant; 1795, married Mary Edwards, Pye Nest; 1809, moved into Crow Nest, Lightcliffe; his will settled the Crow Nest estate, appointing as co-trustees his brother-in-law Henry Edwards and his nephew and neighbour William Priestley.

Walker, John: (1804-30), Only brother of AW; died on his honeymoon in Naples; subsequently his pregnant bride’s child was still-born; his sisters AW and Elizabeth then jointly inherited the Crow Nest estate.


Waterhouse, Grace: lived at Wellhead, Halifax. Married to John Waterhouse.

Waterhouse, John: Lived at Wellhead, Halifax; the Waterhouse family had lived at SH in the sixteenth century, and AL was happy to consider them her social equals.

Watson: Housekeeper at Lawton Hall


Webbe, Mr: Proprietor of the Black Bear, (or Webb’s Hotel, as AL referred to it) 220, Piccadilly, London. AL usually stayed at this hotel during her periodic visits to London.

West, Mr: Hastings clergyman.

Wharncliffe, Lord: (1776-1845), Was a Tory MP and father of the Honourable Hames and John Stuart Wortley; initially opposed parliamentary reform, but eventually compromised.

Whitley: Halifax stationer and bookseller.

Wiglesworth, James: (1759-1826), Halifax attorney and legal adviser to the Lister family. Lived and practised at No. 6 Square in Woolshops, Halifax. After his death, his partner, Robert Parker (1789-1856) of the same address, managed the Lister affairs. [THAS 1969. pp. 125 et seq. Halifax Attorneys (Second Part) by C.D. Webster M.A.]

Wilkinson, Lydia: Probably daughter of Reverend Wilkinson; friend of AW.


William: manservant at SH.

Wilmot, Mr: Curate at the Halifax Parish Church.

Wilson, Mrs: proprietress of the hotel at St Petersburg where AL and AW lodged during their stay there.

Wooll, Mr: Bookseller at 5, High Street, Hastings.
Wordsworth, William: (1770-1850), English poet. One of the leaders of the Romantic Movement and a member of the circle known as the Lake Poets.

Wortley, the Hon James Stuart: Son of Lord Wharncliffe; nephew of Lady Stuart; 1832 general election, unsuccessful ‘blue’ candidate in Halifax; 1835 elected for Halifax in the ‘window-breaking’ election; 1837 election was defeated.

Wortley, the Hon John Stuart: Son of Lord Wharncliffe; nephew of Lady Stuart; May 1835 unsuccessful ‘blue’ candidate at by-election in West Riding, a strongly Whig constituency.

Wortley, Montague: Lady Mary.

Y

Yorke, Henry: One time suitor of Vere Hobart’s.

Young, Charles Mayne: (1777-1856), Actor and friend of Sir Walter Scott, he excelled in playing Shakespearean roles.

Young, Edward: (1638-1765), English poet, playwright and country parson. His best-known work is Night Thoughts on Life, Death and Immortality, written in defence of Christianity against freethinkers.