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Diary of Richard Turner (extracts from 1835 and 1837)

Richard lived at Newland Farm near Ditchling until November 1835 when he married Hannah Marten and moved to Flansham Farm near Felpham.

Oct 22 1835

I (from Ditchling) to Littlehampton walked in 7 hours.

Oct 31 1835

I walked from Littlehampton home (to Ditchling) in 7 hours got home at ½ past 9 lost on hill.

Nov 11 1835

I & John Marten to London by Coach from Flansham ½ past 8, in London at 5 Charing Cross. Slept at Mr. H Burtenshaws. Met at Coach office by Hannah & Mary Marten & Miss Paulina Burtenshaw.

Nov 12 1835

I & Hannah Marten married at St Martin in the Fields at ½ past 8. Fees 11/6 donations 4/6. John Marten & Mary Marten & James Burtenshaw dined with us. I & Hannah from London at 9 to Chichester by Coach arrived there at 5.

July 3 1837

I dined at Newland & drove Mr Marten home with Master Francis. Started ½ past 2 home at ½ past 8.

Aug 9 1837

I & Hannah started to Ditchling in Mr Duke's cart at ½ past 10 & took Emily Turner & Martha Jane Duke with us from Littlehampton. Very heavy load got to Brighton at ½ past 3. Tea'd at Mr. Francis & to Newland at 8. Gypsy party there. Broke up at ½ past 11. I and Hannah slept at Newland.

Aug 26 1837

I started to Ditchling at 1 with Gig for Hannah, arrived at Brighton at 5. Waited for Jos. Heavy thunderstorm came on at ½ past 5 did not start for Ditchling till 9.