Treasury and obtained the first quarter's pension, amounting to £24.4.5. after deducting income tax & stamps: reduced still farther to £21, for the fee of £4. stamp of warrant!

22. Friday. Wrote to Reginald. Went to Euston Square. —

23. Saturday. A man killed by the bite of a Cobra in the Zoological Gardens, from pulling the snake about.

25. Letters from Reginald and Dr. Benjamin Silliman Jr. Reginald resolves not to go to Australia; perhaps the most judicious course.

27. Called at the Treasury and got back the Queen's warrant. Went to Somerset House; to Mr Dinkel; called with Mr Morris on poor Mr G. Sowerby: a decripid & parylitic [sic] old man! and I remember my first interview with him at his father's, when he was a laughing hearty youth; life is a sad enigma

28. Called with Mary on my sister Jemima: she was from home!

29. To the City. Sold out £100 $3\frac{1}{4}$ stock for £103. Called on the printer. To Clapham. Very good for nothing.

30. Saturday To Clapham. Suffering again sadly

31. Walked to the Athenaeum & back with great difficulty: a beautiful day.

November 1st. Sent copy of Brit. Mus. to Dr. Warren of Boston through Mr Stevens. Sent Ellen Maria table cloths.

November 1. [sic] Hard at work on my terrible task.

- 8. [sic] To the Council of Geological Society: first of the season. November 3. Wednesday. Too ill to attend the meeting in the evening.
- 5. Friday. Attended Mrs Kemble of Stockwell at eight this morning: this must be last affair!—went in the day again to Clapham: so ill that I could not attend the meeting of the West London Medical Society.
- 6. Saturday. Received from Sir Woodbine Parish a copy of his new work on Buenos Ayres.
- 7. Sunday. To Clapham as usual; still very ill: neuralgia flying from one limb to another, and great irritation of the abdominal viscera.
- 8. Monday. Letter from Reginald of Oct. 13th in reply to mine of Sept. 24th.

[Gideon Mantell died two days later, on 10 November 1852]